

## K1525+K1603 Condition Report

**Conservation Started:** 20/05/2015

**Conservation Finished:** 20/05/2015

**Conservator:** Kayleigh Fuller

**Time Taken:** 1 hour

Including digital photography, report, conservation and packing.

**Dimensions:** many fragments; not measured.

**Dimensions of joined fragments:** (W) 28mm, (H) 25mm, (Th) 1mm

**Weight before:** not weighed

**Weight after:** 2.41g total

**Catalogue number:** 537

### **Digital photography:**

Taken with a Keyence VHX-1000 3D digital microscope with LED and/or fibre optic lights (20-200x magnification). Taken before and after.

**Annotation on any of the storage bags or boxes:** None

Six in a circle.

**Description:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

Two parts of a decorated sheet metal in the form of an eagle head and body. Silver or Iron with remains of worn down gilding. Iron corrosion products on the back surface and Reddish Terracotta coloured accretions on the front surface edge. Plait design on the front for the body and a pierced hole through the eye and both of the bottom corners of the item.

**Associated Objects:** TBC

**Pre-Conservation Condition:** Visual and microscopic examination using Meiji stereo microscope 7-75x magnification

**Treatment:** Carried out using a Meiji stereo microscope

**Purpose:** Study

**Aim:** Total cleaning

**Materials:** Soft natural/synthetic brushes, thorn in pin vice/holder, IMS on metals, 50:50 water/IMS on metals

**Presume the below treatment has been carried out.**

The granular soil on the front/back was mechanically removed or reduced where possible using a fine thorn tip secured in a pin vice and a small pure bristle brush. IMS or water was used to soften the soil to facilitate removal. Loose particles of soil were then removed with a small brush of IMS.

Corrosion products were left in situ; corrosion was not active and can be further cleaned or stabilised at a later date.

A storage box padded with white polyethylene foam was made for housing the object. A strip of Tyvek (spun bound polyethylene fibres) was used as a cushion for the object and to help lift it out of the foam.

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The two fragments were joined with HMG Paraloid B72 and reboxed.

**Post-Conservation Condition/Findings:**

The condition of the objects is the same as pre-conservation apart from the joining of the two fragments

**Key Features:**

- Eagle

**Samples:**

None