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MS 7598 Chinese paper money for the dead

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 7598 Chinese paper money for the dead
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Identifier:	NAA.MS7598
Creator:	ANONYMOUS
Extent:	13 Items (pieces ; 6x6.5 cm)
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Provenance

Receipt not recorded. Transferred to the archives by Chang-su Houchins, November 3, 1994.

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Scope and Contents

Yinzhi (literally silver money--the paper money with silver stamp) is used for mortuary ritual as well as ancestor worship ceremonies. It is burned to make it available to the deceased in the netherworld.

Local Note

Information from Huey-ing Jeng, museum inter from George Washington University, and Chang-su Houchins, of the Department of Anthropology.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Chinese -- mortuary custom
Chinese -- paper money
Yinzhi
mortuary custom -- Chinese

Cultures:

Chinese -- mortuary custom

Chinese -- paper money