

Artifact # 20180105-BRA-23-17(b)

Description: a coat/overtunic, sized for an adult male between 5'3" and 5'6". The coat is made from natural plant fibers found in the Amazon river basin, and is fastened with a single sharpened wooden stick, thrust into on the left side. The coat is covered with blue, orange, and green feathers, facing downward and woven into the plant fibers. There is considerable water damage; the coat was taken off of the drowned corpse of a man found floating in a tributary of the Amazon. No identification or other artifacts were found on the corpse, but based on teeth, facial and body features, and general health at time of death he was likely a member of one of Brazil's uncontacted tribes.

A cursory examination of the feathers revealed sufficient peculiarities as to justify a larger analysis. These feathers come from no known bird species on the planet, and in fact are not purely avian at all. Surreptitious examination of the DNA found in the feathers give a tentative match with samples deniably derived from a [feathered theropod](#) (*Caihong juji*). As *C. juji* existed in China approximately 161 million years ago, and these feathers are from Brazil

and are no more than a decade old, the decision to declare a Code Orange cryptid event was obvious.

The mission, of course, is to go into the middle of the Amazon and find that theropod. As usual, while sterilization of the affected area is not absolutely **required** it still remains a legitimate and pre-approved outcome. If the team can determine that the species is not a vector for a Jurassic-era super-disease then simply cataloging the species will be acceptable. Needless to say, if any sort of stable temporal portal is discovered on-site then the team is fully authorized to immediately set off sterilization charges, and call for immediate extraction.

Good luck.

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