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Protection under the Act is sought for the objects listed in this document, which are intended to form part of the forthcoming exhibition, Picasso Ingres: Face to Face.

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Protection under the Act is sought for the objects listed below:

Pablo Picasso (1881 - 1973) (Spanish)



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X6316 Woman with a Book 1932 Place of manufacture: France Oil on canvas Object dimensions: 130.5 × 97.8 cm The Norton Simon Foundation, Pasadena, California

Lender's name and address

The Norton Simon Foundation 385 East Colorado Boulevard Pasadena California, 91101 USA

Provenance:

The artist, sold to; Paul Rosenberg, Paris, from whom confiscated during WWII [claim for monetary compensation received from French government]; Antoine Rinieri, Paris, sold 4 August 1960 to; [Paul Rosenberg and Co., New York, stock no. 5832, sold 13 December 1960 to]; Robert Ellis Simon, Los Angeles, to; The Norton Simon Foundation.

Shortly after invading Paris in 1940, German officials acting under the authority of Otto von Ribbentrop (the Foreign Office head and Military Commander in France) began to seize Jewish-owned private collections in France. This included the works in the Galerie Paul Rosenberg in addition to the 162 artworks stored in Paul Rosenberg's bank vault at the Banque National pour le Commerce et l'Industrie in Libourne. These were confiscated on 5 September 1941 by the Einstzstab Reichsleiter Rosenberg (ERR) at the bequest of the Devisenschutzhommado (Foreign Exchange and Currency Protection Commandos). Rosenberg declared property losses to the Commission de Récupération Artistique (CRA) and made his first recoveries through the CRA in 1947.

* Note that this object has a complete provenance for the years 1933-1945

Sources:

'Woman with a Book' < https://www.nortonsimon.org/art/detail/F.1969.38.10.P>

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