Okvik flint flaker handle with an engraved face, Punuk Islands, 16.8 cm







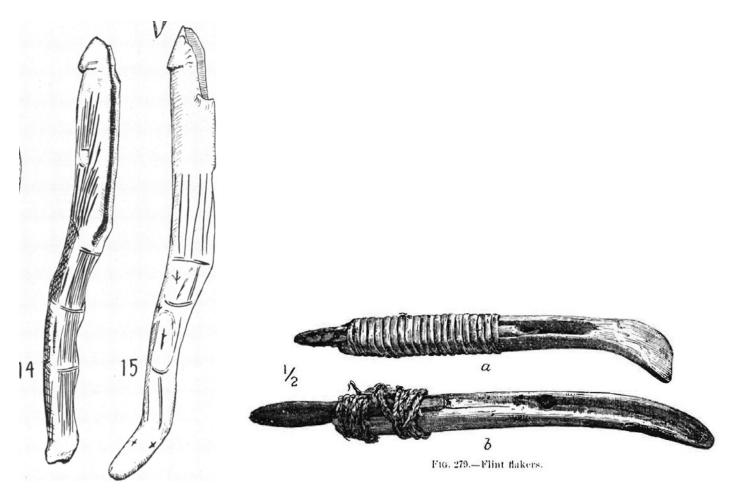
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Left: Decorated flint flaker handles from the Okvik site on the Punuk Islands (Rainey, 1941, Fig. 20-14 and -15, \sim 19 cm)

Right: 19th century flint flakers from the Point Barrow area, showing the manner of attaching the blade with seal thong (*a*) and then tightened by inserting a wood splinter in the back of the groove (Murdock, 1892, p. 288).



Undecorated Okvik or OBS II flaker handles from the Ekven site, Chukotka (Bronshtein et al., 2007, #303 and 304, 12.7 and 14.7 cm).