

## NATIONAL TRUST FOR SCOTLAND MEDIA RELEASE

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## National Trust for Scotland responds to Canna theft

Following confirmation from Police Scotland that they are investigating the theft of a claymore sword from Canna House, Operations Manager for the Islands, Alan Rankin said:

"We are very concerned that this significant piece from Canna's collection appears to have been stolen. It's been an important part of the house's rich and unique collection for decades.

"We are doing all we can to support the police with their enquiries and would urge anyone with any information to contact Mallaig Police Station."

Canna has been in the care of the National Trust for Scotland since 1981 when it was gifted to the National Trust for Scotland in 1981 by Gaelic scholar John Lorne Campbell, who lived there with his wife Margaret Fay Shaw. As well as its rich cultural heritage, the island is renowned for its seabirds and boasts puffins, razorbills and Manx shearwaters. There are also sea eagles and golden eagles.

There are currently 18 residents on the island.

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