## The Mao Era in Objects

# Washbasin: Hydrogen Bomb Design



### TITLE

Hydrogen bomb enamel washbasin

DATE

1969-04

CREATOR

The Masses Beijing Daily Enamel Factory (Dazhong Beijingshi riyong tangcichang 大众北京市 日用搪瓷厂)

PUBLISHER

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### DESCRIPTION

An enamel factory in Beijing produced this washbasin decorated with the mushroom cloud from China's first successful explosion of a thermonuclear bomb on 17 June 1967.

The inscription in red characters reads 'Enthusiastically celebrating the successful detonation of our nation's hydrogen bomb' (*Relie huanhu woguo qingdan baozha chenggong* 热烈欢呼我国氢弹爆炸成功).