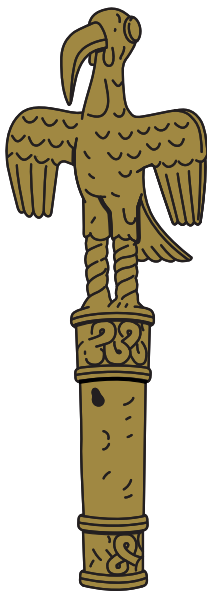


AHIANMWE-ORO

Bird of Prophecy Staff and Bird of Prophecy Figure



The Ahianmwe-Ororo, meaning Bird of Prophecy in English, is a bird with a long beak, the cry of which is said to be prophetic. If it cries "OyaO" ("disgrace") it portends danger or disaster ahead. If it cries "Oliguegue" ("be grateful"), it portends good favour, fortune or good luck ahead. The bird is believed to be a messenger of the spirit world.

