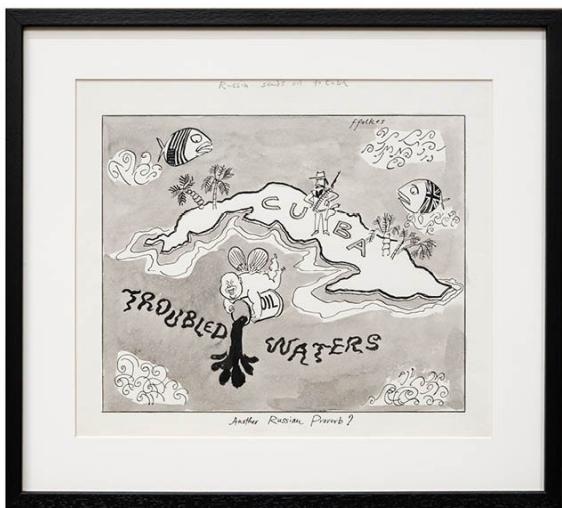




# cabinet of curiosity



## "Another Russian Proverb?"

Michael ffolkes (born Brian Davis)

AED 2000

*One of a kind*



### Delivery:

1 to 5 days within the UAE,  
depending on the size of the object  
and the location to be delivered to.

### International Delivery:

please read all details on our  
website



### Available For Home Viewings:

Schedule a viewing to see this piece  
in your home

## ABOUT

Ink and wash drawing by Michael ffolkes (Brian Davis), titled "Another Russian Proverb?" The composition presents a stylised map of Cuba surrounded by water, with a central figure pouring oil labeled OIL into the sea, forming the phrase TROUBLED WATERS. Additional elements include a rifle-holding figure on the island and two fish with national markings. Annotated along the upper edge: "Russia sends oil to Cuba." Signed ffolkes at the upper right.

Newly framed under museum glass.

Michael ffolkes, born Brian Davis (British, 1925-1988), was a cartoonist and illustrator active in post-war British print media. After service in the Royal Navy during the Second World War, he studied at St Martin's School of Art. He began contributing to Punch in the early 1950s and went on to publish work in The New Yorker, The Spectator, Private Eye, and several national newspapers. Ffolkes also illustrated books and worked as a storyboard artist for television and film productions. His career encompassed editorial cartooning, humorous illustration, and visual commentary across mid- to late-20th-century British publications.

## ITEM DETAILS

---

Reference: #PH063

CREATOR	PERIOD / DATE	PLACE OF ORIGIN
Michael ffolkes (born Brian Davis)	1950s	England
DIMENSIONS	MATERIALS & TECHNIQUES	CONDITION
Unknown	Ink on Paper	Excellent