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CAPInv. 1664: hoi Eroles

I. LOCATION

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| i. Geographical area | Western Asia Minor |
| ii. Region | Lydia |
| iii. Site | Arabli-Dedeli (territorium of Philadelpheia) |

II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | οἱ Ἔρωτες (TAM V.3 1656, l. 5) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated) | <i>hoi Eroles</i> |

III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | 176 AD |
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| ii. Name elements | Cultic: | The name identifies the members of the association as worshippers of the god Eros. |
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V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s) | TAM V.3 1656 (176 AD) |
| Note | See also: Keil and Premerstein 1911: 21f., no. 19 IGR IV 1618 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Epigraphic source(s) |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Dedication of a <i>naiskos</i> on behalf of the emperor Comodus (l. 3) by the association of the <i>Eroles</i> . Greek. |

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| i.c. Physical format(s) | Marble pediment that was part of a <i>naiskos</i> , with <i>acroteria</i> (only the two in the sides are preserved). In <i>tympanon</i> , bust of a young man and a grapevine-decoration. |
| ii. Source(s) provenance | Found in Dedeli, east from Yesilova. |

VII. ORGANIZATION

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| iii. Members | 21 members of the association appear as dedicants of the <i>naiskos</i> . |
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VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

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| i. Treasury/Funds | The association has its own funds, and from them they have built the <i>naiskos</i> . |
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| i. Number | 21 members attested. |
| ii. Gender | Men |
| Note | All dedicants attested as members of the association are male. |
| v. Relations | A smith is attested as worksupervisor, together with one of the association's members. |

X. ACTIVITIES

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| iii. Worship | The name of the association leads us to think that they are worshippers of Eros. |
| Deities worshipped | Eros |
| iv. Honours/Other activities | The association honours the emperor Commodus. |

XII. NOTES

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| i. Comments | On the association's name, with parallels for the word-formation cf. Keil and Premierstein and Petzl in TAM; for the date, Keil and Premierstein; for the member's names, Petzl in TAM. |
| iii. Bibliography | Keil, J., and von Premierstein, A. (1911), <i>Bericht über eine zweite Reise in Lydien ausgeführt 1908</i> , (Denkschriften Akad. Wien Band 54.2). Vienna: 21f., no. 19. |

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Probable

Note

Most cult-associations, especially not belonging to an official cult, are private associations.