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CAPInv. 2009: Aphrodisiastai [Basi]leias Aphroditas koinon

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Rhodes
iii. Site	Rhodos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἀφροδισιασταί [Βασι]λείας Ἀφροδίτας κοινόν (SEG 41.654)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	*Aphrodisiastai [Basi]leias Aphroditas koinon*

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i (?) BC

IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	Ἀφροδισιασταί, *Aphrodisiastai* l.1 - From the goddess Aphrodite (Morrelli, *I culti in Rodi* (Pisa, 1959), 34-35, 117-18). Here, the element/epiclesis [Basileia] probably identifies this Aphrodite with the principal deity of Cypriot Paphoa, Aphrodite (Phoenician Astarte) Paphia: see S.L. Budin, 'A Reconsideration of the Aphrodite-Ashtart Syncretism', *Numen: International Review for the History of Religions* 51 (2004): 95-145. The association especially venerated the goddess with her epithet Basileias (Ἀφροδίτασ Βασιλείας, *Aphroditas Basileias*, l. 1-2).
	Other:	On the name element *Basileia*, see the rubric Theophoric.
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινὸν, *koinon*, l. 2.	

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V. SOURCES

i.	**Source(s)**	ASAA 22 (1939/40) 152,8 SEG 41.654
	Online Resources	ASAA 22 (1939/40) 152,8 AGRW no. 15025
i.a.	**Source type(s)**	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b.	**Document(s) typology & language/script**	Dedicatory-Honourific
i.c.	**Physical format(s)**	A statue base of marble from Lartos.
ii.	**Source(s) provenance**	Retrieved from the excavation site of a *tetrapylon*, near the chapel of Piossasco in the city of Rhodes.

XIII. EVALUATION

i.	**Private association**	Certain
	Note	The descriptive term *koinon* (κοινόν), used together with theophoric name elements, guarantees the private character of the association.

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