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I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Thrace
ii. Region	Euxine Coast
iii. Site	Tomis

II. NAME

i. Association with unknown name	U-THR-034
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III. DATE

i. Date(s)	ii - e. iii AD
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	I.Tomis 83 (AD 198-201) I.Tomis 119 (ii AD)
Note	See also: IGRR I 614 (I.Tomis 83); CIL III 763, ILS 4116 (I.Tomis 119)
Online Resources	I.Tomis 83 and AGRW ID 14631 I.Tomis 119
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	I.Tomis 83 is a Greek dedication of the <i>δενδροφόροι</i> , <i>dendrophoroi</i> on behalf of emperor Septimius Severus, his family and the governor of Lower Moesia Ovinus Tertullus (PIR2 O 191) as thanksgiving for a privilege (<i>δωρεά</i> , <i>dorea</i>). The main text is followed by a catalogue of the members of the association distributed on two columns. I.Tomis 119 is a Latin dedication of an <i>archide[nd]roph(oros)</i> to Attis.
i.c. Physical format(s)	I.Tomis 83 (198-201 AD) is a fragmentary marble stele composed by six joining fragments. I.Tomis 119 (ii AD) is a limestone altar.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Tomis

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	Perhaps Nana Theadonos μήτηρ δένδροφόρων, <i>meter dendrophoron</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. B, ll. 13-14).
iii. Members	Probably referred to as δένδροφόροι, <i>dendrophoroi</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. B, ll. 13-14).
iv. Officials	One ἱερεύς, <i>hiereus</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. A, l. 15). One πατήρ, <i>pater</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. A, l. 16). Three ἀρχιδένδροφόροι, <i>archidendrophoroi</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. A, ll. 17 and 18; I.Tomis 119). One ἀρχираβδουχίσα, <i>archirabdouchisa</i> (I.Tomis 83, col. B, ll. 15-7).

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

iv. Endowments	A privilege (δωρεά, <i>dorea</i>) awarded by the emperor (or his governor) is mentioned in I.Tomis 83, l. 12.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

i. Number	More than 37, as the names of 37 members are preserved.
ii. Gender	Men Women
Note	The association includes men and at least two women: Nana Theadonos, who might have been the leader of the association (μήτηρ δένδροφόρων, <i>meter dendrophoron</i> , I.Tomis 83, col. B, ll. 13-14), and P. Ailia Olymp[ia], who was a ἀρχираβδουχίσα, <i>archirabdouchisa</i> (col. B, ll. 15-7).
iii. Age	Adults

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	I.Tomis 119 is a dedication to Attis: worship by the group can be supposed.
Deities worshipped	Attis
iv. Honours/Other activities	Honours to the imperial house and the governor of Lower Moesia (I.Tomis 83).

XII. NOTES

ii. Poland concordance	Poland B 105 (I.Tomis 83)
iii. Bibliography	Chiekova, D. (2008), <i>Cultes et vie religieuse des cités du Pont Gauche (VIIe-Ier siècles avant J.-C.)</i> . Bern: 132-3. Vermaseren, M.J. (1977), <i>Cybele and Attis. The Myth and the Cult</i> . London: 144. Schillinger, K. (1979), <i>Untersuchungen zur Entwicklung des Magna Mater-Kultes im Westen des Römischen Kaiserreiches</i> . Konstanz, Bodensee: 57 no. 28 (= I.Tomis 119). Tacheva-Hitova, M. (1983), <i>Eastern Cults in Moesia Inferior and Thracia (5th Century B.C. – 4th Century A.D.)</i> . Leiden: 92-3 no. II.47 (= I.Tomis 119); 93-5 no. II.48 (= I.Tomis 83).

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The terminology employed and the character of the officials point to a private association.