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CAPInv. 1481: The association of Harpochrates

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Elephantine (U01)
iii. Site	Philae

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	<i>Tꜣ ꜥ ny.t n ꜥ r-pꜣ</i> (Graff. Dodec. Philae 443 l. 1)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	The association of Harpochrates

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	72 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	Harpochrates
iii. Descriptive terms	<i>ꜥ ny.t</i>	
Note	<i>ꜥ ny.t</i> 1). In the edition of this graffito, the word ‘association’ is transliterated <i>sn.t</i> , but this reading was rejected by De Cenival 2006.	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Graff. Dodec. Philae 443 (day 10 of Pauni under Vespasian = 2 June AD 72).
Online Resources	TM 53559
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	This Demotic graffito may mark the place where this association of Harpochrates met.

ii. **Source(s) provenance**

The inscription is still *in situ*, in the temple of Isis in Philae, on the wall outside the *naos*.

XI. INTERACTION

i. **Local interaction**

The location of the inscription and the fact that it may be the place of meeting of the association suggest that the association may take part in some festivals of the temple.

XII. NOTES

iii. **Bibliography**

De Cenival, Fr. (2006), 'À propos du mot désignant en démotique « l'association »', *RdE* 57: 233-234.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. **Private association**

Certain

Note

The use of \square *ny(t. 1)* to describe this group proves that it was a private association.