

Author: MARIO C.D. PAGANINI

CAPInv. 1503: U-EGY-043

I. LOCATION

- | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| i. Geographical area | Egypt |
| ii. Nome | Arsinoites (00) |

II. NAME

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| i. Association with unknown name | U-EGY-043 |
|----------------------------------|-----------|

III. DATE

- | | |
|------------|----------|
| i. Date(s) | m. ii BC |
|------------|----------|

V. SOURCES

- | | |
|---|---|
| i. Source(s) | P.Erasm. I 10 (mid II BC) |
| Online Resources | P.Erasm. I 10
TM 41591 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Papyrological source(s) |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | Order of payment in Greek from an association in honour of the god crocodile. |
| i.c. Physical format(s) | Papyrus. |

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ii. References to buildings/objects | πυρός, <i>pyros</i> wheat |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|

VII. ORGANIZATION

iv. Officials	The order for payment was written by Apollonios and Nikandros, the two χρηματοφύλακες τ[οῦ] κροκοδύλου, <i>chrematophylakes tou krokodilou</i> (l. 2): the title very likely refers to the treasurers of an association in honour of the god crocodile.
---------------	---

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	If the interpretation of the <i>chrematophylakes tou krokodilou</i> is correct and we should see in them the treasurers of an association of the crocodile god, then the association had a treasury and funds. Furthermore, on the basis of the fact that the present text is an order of payment from the association, it derives that the association was involved in activities of loans on credit or sales on delivery of wheat (presumably for its members).
-------------------	---

IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The two treasurers of the association and the other two people attested in the order of payment (who were presumably also members of the association) are men.
iii. Age	Adults
Note	The people attested in the text and involved with the association seem to be adults.
vi. Proper names and physical features	Ἀπολλώνιος καὶ Νῖ[κ]ανδρος χρηματοφύλακες τ[οῦ] κροκοδύλου Διονύσιος Πασῶς (?)

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The association had entrepreneurial activities of loans in money or kind or purchases of wheat.
------------------------------	---

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The exact provenance of the text within the Arsionite nome is uncertain. The association may have been based at Tebtynis, where other associations of the crocodile god are attested in the Demotic evidence. However, this is uncertain.
-------------	---

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
------------------------	----------

Note

The interpretation of the passage *chrematophylakes tou krokodilou* as indicating the treasurers of an association of the crocodile god seems very probable on the basis of parallel evidence of private associations set up in honour of the crocodile. However, there is also the small possibility that the term refers to some other organisation of religious or cultic nature, if not to a temple of the god crocodile itself.