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CAPInv. 1812: U-CGR-012

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Central Greece
ii. Region	Thessaly. Tetras of Pelasgiotis.
iii. Site	Vicinity of Ancient Larisa.

II. NAME

i. Association with unknown name	U-CGR-012
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III. DATE

i. Date(s)	m. iii BC
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Inventaire du Laboratoire HiSoma (GHW 5792) (m. iii BC)
Note	Unpublished inscription. Preliminary presentation in Decourt and Tziafalias 2012, without the ancient text. The full publication is under preparation.
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Opisthographic 'sacred law' prescribing regulations for the performance of the cult addressed to many divinities.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Tall slightly pyramidal, almost intact, stele of white marble crowned with pediment and three acroteria.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found out of context in the modern village of Marmariani, at Mesogeia (now at the Archaeological Collection of Larisa, no inv. 2002/33).

VII. ORGANIZATION

vi. Laws and rules	'Sacred law' setting rules on the performance of the cult (for example, nobody uninitiated (<i>amyeton</i>) shall enter the sanctuary of the goddess. Some of the rites ought to be performed according to the 'Greek law" (<i>hellenikos nomos</i>).
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VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty	A sanctuary with peribolos and propylon, comprising a temple of Artemis and many altars for sacrificing to Greek and oriental divinities.
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X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Mixture of Greek and oriental deities
Deities worshipped	Artemis <i>Phylake</i> , Men, Moirai, Helios, Pan, Apollo <i>Pylaios</i> , Mogga, Alaia, Lilaia, Adara, Lila

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The worship of Greek and oriental divinities points in every probability to a multicultural body of devotees.
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XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	Decourt, J.-Cl., and Tziafalias, A. (2012), 'Un nouveau règlement religieux de la région de Larissa', in A. Mazarakis-Ainian (ed.), <i>Proceedings of the Third Archaeological Work of Thessaly and Central Greece</i> , Volos 12.3-15.3.2009. Volos: 463-73, figs. 1-2.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	Decourt and Tziafalias (2012: 469-70) argue for the presence of an initiation cult. The probability to deal with a private group remains high.