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I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἄφροδισιασταί [Βασί]λειας Ἀφροδίτας κοινόν (SEG 41.654)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Aphrodisiastai [Basi]leias Aphroditas koinon</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i (?) BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric: Other:	Ἄφροδισιασταί, <i>Aphrodisiastai</i> 1.1 - From the goddess Aphrodite (Morrelli, <i>I culti in Rodi</i> (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', <i>Numen: International Review for the History of Religions</i> 51 (2004): 95-145. The association especially venerated the goddess with her epithet Basileias (Ἀφροδίτας Βασιλείας, <i>Aphroditas Basileias</i> , l. 1-2).
iii. Descriptive terms		On the name element <i>Basileia</i> , see the rubric Theophoric.

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 <i>tetrapylon</i> , near the chapel of Pirossasco in the city of Rhodes.

XIII. EVALUATION

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