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CAPInv. 1702: U-EGY-057

i.	Geographical area	Egypt
ii.	Nome	Thebes with Peri Thebas (U04b)
iii.	Site	Thebes

i. Association with unknown name	U-EGY-057		

i. Date(s)	542 BC

iii. Descriptive terms	\Box $ny.t$	
Note	□ ny.Text A, col. 3, 1. 1	

i.	Source(s)	De Cenival 1986 = P.Louvre dem E 7840 (month of Tybi of the 29th year of Amasis = 30 April-29 May 542 BC)	
	Online Resources	<u>TM 46137</u>	
i.a.	Source type(s)	Papyrological source(s)	
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	This Demotic papyrus is an account of a religious association, the name of which is lost. The text is the most ancient attestation of an association in Egypt. There are two columns on the verso and seven on the recto. The payments are made in money, cereals and ointment.	
i.c.	Physical format(s)	The papyrus is 58,2 cm x 27 cm.	
ii.	Source(s) provenance	This papyrus was bought by Revillout in Heidelberg. It is now located in the Louvre (Paris).	

ii.	Leadership	On the recto of the papyrus, the text B, col. 2 explains that a man named $Rnp.t-nef$ (Repetnefer) has been appointed $mr \ m\check{s} \square$ ("general"), $mr \ \check{s}n$ (lesonis), and scribe ($s\square$) of the association. All those offices are usually appointed every year (De Cenival 1972).
iv.	Officials	The association had at least a representative, a $r\Box$ (Text A, col. 3, l. 1).

ii. Gender	Men
Note	All the members cited in the text are men.

iii. Worship	The association was maybe dedicated to the god \square mn - \square , $A_{\mathbf{p}}$ menhotep (recto, text A, col. 2 l. 5).
Deities worshipped	Amenhotep (?)

i.	Comments	On the basis of the identification of onomastics, it is likely that this was an association of Choachytes: see Donker van Heel 1996: no. 11
iii.	Bibliography	De Cenival, Fr. (1986), 'Comptes d'une association religieuse thébaine datant des années 29 à 33 du roi Amasis (P. Démot. Louvre E 7840 bis)', <i>RdE</i> 37: 13-39 Donker van Heel, K. (1996), <i>Abnormal Hieratic and Early Demotic Texts collected by the Theban Choachytes in the Reign of Amasis. Papyri from the Louvre Eisenlohr lot</i> (unpublished PhD dissertation), Leiden 1996.

i. Private association	Certain
Note	The use of \Box nyto describe this group proves that it was a private association.