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CAPInv. 1706: U-EGY-059

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Tentyrites (U06)
iii. Site	Dendera

II. NAME

i. Association with unknown name	U-EGY-059
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III. DATE

i. Date(s)	5 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

iii. Descriptive terms	☐ <i>ny.t</i>
Note	☐ <i>ny.t</i> . 3. In the four editions of this inscription, the word 'association' is transliterated <i>sn.t</i> , but this reading was rejected by De Cenival 2006.

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	Short Texts I 173 (Epeiph year 34 of Augustus = 25 June-24 July AD 5).
Note	Other editions of the inscription are: Farid 1987; Farid 1993: 53; Farid 1995: 302.
Online Resources	TM 47599
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	The text is a Demotic dedication of something unclear by a <i>strategos</i> and the <i>mr šn</i> of an unknown association, for the god Orshenufe. The object of the dedication in line 1 is hard to read, and both editors of the texts suggest different reading: "harvest" (Vleeming in Short Texts I 173) and "House of the face" (Farid).
i.c. Physical format(s)	Sandstone stela (35 X 27 X 5,5 cm) with a representation of a king offering two jars to four deities.

ii. Source(s) provenance

The stela is from Dendera and is now in Cairo Museum.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership

The *mr šn* (*lesonis*) cited l. 3 is probably the president of the association. The *lesonis* is usually a official attached to temples. In an association, the *mr šn* is an administrator or the president (De Cenival 1972: 154-159). Considering the way the title is mentioned in the inscription, it appears slightly more likely that it refers here to the function in the association.

iii. Members

Referred to as *n□ rm□ .w (n) □* ('the people (from the) association', l. 3).

iv. Officials

The dedication is made by the *mr šn* and a *strategos* (l. 2) *Trwphn* (Tryphon) also known through other, similar dedications). We do not know if *Trwphn* had a role in the association or if he just took part in the dedication.

IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender

Men

Note

Both of people named are male. We do not know about the others.

vi. Proper names and physical features

-*Trwphn* (Tryphon)
-*P□ -b□ k (s□) P□ -š□* (Psekišson of Psenesis)

XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction

The association had connections with official authorities, as the *strategos* of the nome is one of the dedicants of the inscription. The association had probably interactions too with the temple of Dendera (and maybe took part in some celebrations).

XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography

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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The use of *□ ny* (l. 3) to describe this group proves that it was a private association.