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CAPInv. 1929: hoi linouphoi

i.	Geographical area	Egypt
ii.	Nome	Oxyrhynchites (U19)
iii.	Site	Oxyrhynchus

i.	Full name (original language)	οί λινόϋφοι (P.Oxy. XII 1414, l. 11)
ii.	Full name (transliterated)	hoi linouphoi

i. Date(s)	271 / 272 AD

ii. Name elements	Professional:	linouphoi

i.	Source(s)	P.Oxy. XII 1414 (AD 271/2)	
	Online Resources	P.Oxy. XII 1414 TM 21824	
i.a.	Source type(s)	Papyrological source(s)	
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Record of council proceedings from Oxyrhynchus in Greek	
i.c.	Physical format(s)	Papyrus document	

XI. INTERACTION i. Local interaction The group had been contracted by the council to provide goods and services at an price. The weavers now request further funds to cover additional expenses.

i. Comments	No explicit mention of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , though the literature on this text has assumed that the negotiations regarding contracts between the council and groups of linen merchants and linen weavers deals with associations.
iii. Bibliography	Alston, R. (2002) The city in Roman and Byzantine Egypt. London and New York. Gällnö, S. (2013) '(In)visible Spinners in the Documentary Papyri from Roman Egypt', in M. Gleba and J Pásztókai-Szeőke (eds.), Making textiles in pre-Roman and Roman times: people, places, identities. Oxford: 161-70 (esp. 165). Gibbs, M. A. (forthcoming) "Collective action, trade associations and the state in Roman Egypt," in D. Rathbone and A. Wilson (eds.) Documents and the Mechanics of Roman Rule. Cambridge. Harland, Philip A. (2003), Associations, Synagogues, and Congregations. Claiming a Place in Mediterranean Society. Minneapolis: esp. 152-153. Venticinque, P. (2015) "Courting the Associations: Cooperation, Conflict and Interaction in Roman Egypt." In V. Gabrielsen and C. A. Thomsen (eds.), Private Associations and the Public Sphere Proceedings of a Symposium held at the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences and Letters, 9-11 September 2010. Copenhagen: 314-40.

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Though no specific designation of a <i>synodos</i> or <i>koinon</i> , there are examples of associations designated simply as the weavers or the linen merchants. The group appears to be operating as an association and treated as such by the council. Alston 2002: 207-212, Venticinque 2015, and others have treated the group as an association, though Gibbs and Adams consider it a less formal association.

