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CAPInv. 504: **hoi benneitai**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Phrygia
iii. Site	Area of Aizanoi

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ βεννεῖται (MAMA X 304, l. 2)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi benneitai</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	ii AD
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	MAMA X 304 (ii AD)
Online Resources	MAMA X 304
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Dedicatory inscription, greek
i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble altar
ii. Source(s) provenance	Pazarcik

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	The altar is dedicated by an individual "to Zeus and the <i>benneitai</i> ". It is natural to assume that the <i>benneitai</i> worshipped Zeus (possibly Zeus <i>Bennios</i> , whose cult is attested in this area; cf. CAPInv. 456)
Deities worshipped	Zeus (?)

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	On <i>bennos</i> (and hence <i>benneitai</i>) as a term for "association", cf. CAPInv. 503
ii. Poland concordance	Poland B *423A
iii. Bibliography	Drew-Bear, Th., and Naour, Chr. (1990), 'Divinités de Phrygie', <i>ANRW</i> II.18.3: 1907-2044, esp. 1987-91, no. 19. Schwabl, H. (1999), 'Zum Kult des Zeus in Kleinasien (II). Der phrygische Zeus Bennios und Verwandtes', <i>AAntHung</i> 39: 345-54.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	It is likely that <i>benneitai</i> are an equivalent to <i>thiaseitai</i> , members of an association.
ii. Historical authenticity	Certain