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CAPInv. 655: **hoi phil<oi> Topies[id]ai**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	The Near East and Beyond
ii. Region	Syria
iii. Site	Hierapolis Bambyke

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	οἱ φίλ<οι> Τοπιεσ[ιδ]αι (IGLS I 232, l. 3)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hoi phil<oi> Topies[id]ai</i>

III. DATE

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

ii. Name elements	Personal:	φίλοι, <i>philoi</i>
	Topographical:	<i>Topiesidai</i> likely refers to a place; cf. the commentary in IGLS (on Phrygian Tapasa etc.).

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IGLS I 232 (i BC)
Note	L. 3 reads ΟΙ ΦΙΑΤΟΠΙΕΣ..ΑΙ, <i>HOI PHIL TOPIES..AI</i> . The rather early date in IGLS is based on palaeography.
Online Resources	IGLS I 232
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek dedicatory inscription
i.c. Physical format(s)	Written on the side of a fountain (circular, large basalt).
ii. Source(s) provenance	Court of a modern house

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	ἀρχιφράτωρ, <i>archiphrator</i> (l. 1)
iv. Officials	ἱερεύς, <i>hiereus</i> (l. 2)

XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	Jalabert, L., and Mouterde, R. (1929), <i>Inscriptions grecques et latines de la Syrie I: Commagène et Cyrrhestique</i> . Paris.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Probable
Note	The presence of an ἀρχιφράτωρ, <i>archiphrator</i> suggests that this was an association. The two chief magistrates are mentioned separately from the body of members.