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CAPInv. 68: Snonaitiake synodos

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Egypt
ii. Nome	Arsinoites (00)
iii. Site	Soknopaïou Nesos (?)

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Σνοναιτιακή σύνοδος (I.Louvre 21, ll. 4-5)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Snonaitiake synodos</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	51 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric:	<i>S(o)nonais</i> (epithet of Isis)
iii. Descriptive terms	σύνοδος, <i>synodos</i>	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	I.Louvre 21 (1 Epeiph = 2 July 51 BC)
Note	Other editions: I.Fayoum III 205
Online Resources	I.Louvre 21 TM 8171 AGRW ID 15317
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek <i>topos</i> inscription with dedication on behalf of Cleopatra VII.

i.c. Physical format(s)	Stele. Above the inscription there is a relief with a seated Isis, breast-feeding the little Horus, with the Pharaoh (Cleopatra) offering two vases of wine and a table of sacrificial offerings.
ii. Source(s) provenance	The exact provenance of the stone is uncertain; it may come from Soknopaiou Nesos.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

ii. References to buildings/objects	The association owned a τόπος, <i>topos</i> (ll. 3-4).
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VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	συναγωγός (l. συναγωγός), <i>synagogos</i> : the man is called Onnophris and is also a λεσώνης (l. λεσώνης), <i>lesonis</i> (ll. 6-7).
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VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty	The association had a <i>topos</i> (ll. 3-4).
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The attested names are male names.
iv. Status	The <i>synagogos</i> of the association was also a priest in the local temple, with the charge of <i>lesonis</i> (l. 7).
vi. Proper names and physical features	Ὀννώφρις λεσώνης συναγωγός

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The association showed their loyalty to the Royal House by setting up the dedication on behalf of the Queen.
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	The president of the association Onnophris is active in the religious life of the temple as <i>lesonis</i> (l. 7).
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The terminology used (*synodos*), the internal organisation, the officials, and the ownership of a *topos* (which suggests the dealings in which the group was involved) make it certain that we have here a private association.