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CAPInv. 1304: **theas Aphrodeites synodos**

I. LOCATION

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| i. Geographical area | Black Sea Region |
| ii. Region | North Coast of the Black Sea |
| iii. Site | Hermonassa |

II. NAME

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| i. Full name (original language) | θεᾶς Ἀφροδείτης σύνοδος (CIRB 1055) |
| ii. Full name (transliterated) | <i>theas Aphrodeites synodos</i> |

III. DATE

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| i. Date(s) | ii AD |
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

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| i. Name in other forms | ἡ σύνοδος ἢ περὶ νακόρον κτλ. (<i>he synodos he peri nakoron</i> , CIRB 1054, l. 15). |
| ii. Name elements | Cultic: <i>thea Aphrodite</i> Personal: <i>peri nakoron</i> |
| iii. Descriptive terms | σύνοδος, <i>synodos</i> : Note <i>synodos</i> : CIRB 1054, ll. 6-7; 1055 A, l. 1. |

V. SOURCES

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| i. Source(s) | CIRB 1054 (123–133) CIRB 1055 (ii AD) |
| Note | Other editions: CIRB 1054: IOSPE IV 421 |

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| Online Resources | CIRB 1054 and AGRW ID 8462 CIRB 1055 and AGRW ID 7778 |
| i.a. Source type(s) | Epigraphic source(s) |
| i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script | CIRB 1054 is a Greek record of unknown character dated under Cotys II. It contains a fragmentary list of the members of the association. CIRB 1055 is a Greek dedication by the association to Aphrodite. |
| i.c. Physical format(s) | CIRB 1054: marble stele broken at the bottom. CIRB 1055: fragmentary marble block written on the front (A) and right (B) faces. |
| ii. Source(s) provenance | Hermonassa |

VII. ORGANIZATION

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| ii. Leadership | One νακόρος, <i>nakoros</i> , i.e. νεοκόρος, <i>neokoros</i> (Bages Sosipatrou in CIRB 1054, l. 7-8). Possibly also in the lacuna, l. 2, of CIRB 1055 A, before the <i>ιε[ρεύς]</i> , <i>hie[reus]</i> (Zavojkina 2012: 256). This supposed [<i>νακόρος</i>], [<i>nakoros</i>] or [<i>νεοκόρος</i>], [<i>neokoros</i>] was an official at the royal court, ἐπὶ τῆς ἀουλῆς, <i>epi tes aules</i> (cf. CAPIInv. 1296 and CAPIInv. 1299). |
| iii. Members | The members are referred to as <i>θιασεῖτ[αι]</i> (l. <i>θιασῖτ[αι]</i>), <i>thiasit[ai]</i> (CIRB 1054, l. 6-7) |
| iv. Officials | One <i>ιερεύς</i> , <i>hiereus</i> (CIRB 1054, ll. 9-10, written <i>ιρεύς</i> , <i>hireus</i> ; 1055 A). One <i>ιερομάστορ</i> , <i>hieromastor</i> (CIRB 1054, ll. 10-12). For this office see CAPIInv. 1301 . One <i>γραμματεύς</i> , <i>grammateus</i> (CIRB 1054, 12-14). One <i>φιλάγαθος</i> , <i>philagathos</i> (CIRB 1054, ll. 14-15). |

IX. MEMBERSHIP

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| i. Number | More than 12 |
| ii. Gender | Men |
| Note | The recorded names are male names. |
| iii. Age | Adults |
| iv. Status | One member (allegedly the <i>nakoros/neokoros</i>) was an official at the royal court, ἐπὶ τῆς ἀουλῆς, <i>epi tes aules</i> (CIRB 1054, l. 7-8). |

X. ACTIVITIES

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| i. Assemblies | For σύνοδος, <i>synodos</i> designating the assembly of a θίασος, <i>thiasos</i> see Gauthier in <i>BE</i> 2001: no. 312 and Chaniotis in <i>SEG</i> 47: 1199 and 49: 1053. |
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XI. INTERACTION

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| i. Local interaction | The leadership, or at least the membership, of an ἐπὶ τῆς ἀουλῆς, <i>epi tes aules</i> (see VII.ii: Leadership) suggests interaction with the royal court. |
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XII. NOTES

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| ii. Poland concordance | Poland B 119 A (CIRB 1054) |
| iii. Bibliography | Harland, P.A. (2014), <i>Greco-Roman Associations: Texts, Translations, and Commentaries. II. North Coast of the Black Sea, Asia Minor</i> . Berlin, Boston: 23. Ustinova, Y. (1999), <i>The Supreme Gods of the Bosporan Kingdom. Celestial Aphrodite and the Most High God</i> . Leiden, Boston, Cologne: 198. Zavojkina, N.V. (2012), <i>Bosporskie fiasy: mezhdru polisom i monarkhiej [Bosporan Thiasoi: Between Polis and Monarchy]</i> . Moscow: 80-2 and 255-7 (about CIRB 1055). |

XIII. EVALUATION

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| i. Private association | Certain |
| Note | The terminology employed suggests a private association. |