

Seleucid Tablets from Uruk in the British Museum

Text Editions and Commentary

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Text Editions

Abbreviations and conventions	
'...'	sign damaged
x	illegible or uncertain
[...]	break
<...>	sign omitted by the scribe
<<...>>	superfluous sign
?	uncertain reading
!	emended reading
g.q.	good quality
m	mina
š	shekel
Obv.	Obverse
Rev.	Reverse
U.e.	Upper edge
B.e.	Bottom edge / Lower edge
R.e.	Right edge
L.e.	Left edge
WL	witness list
Roles (indices and text editions)	
S	seller
B	buyer
Cl	clearer
Guar	guarantor
cg	co-guarantor
W	witness (usually followed by a number)
W	wife (after women names)
N-neigh	north neighbour
S-neigh	south neighbour
W-neigh	west neighbour
E-neigh	east neighbour
g/gf/ggf	father/grandfather/great-grandfather
d/gd	daughter/granddaughter
s	son

Abbreviated clan names	
Ah	Ahhūtu
EZ	Ekur-zākir
Eši	Ebabbar-šumu-ibni
GA	Gimil-Anu
H	Hunzū
IA	Imbi-Anu
K	Kurī
KM	Kidin-Marduk
LA	Luštammar-Adad
SLU	Sîn-lēqe-unnīnī
Commonly abbreviated personal names	
AAI	Anu-ahhē-iddin
ANE	Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ
AU	Anu-uballit
AZI	Anu-zēru-iddin
L	Lābāši
NI	Nanāya-iddin
Babylonian Months	
I	Nisannu
II	Ayyāru
III	Simānu
IV	Dūzu
V	Abu
VI	Ulūlu
VI ₂	intercalary Ulūlu
VII	Tašrītu
VIII	Arahsamnu
IX	Kislīmu
X	Ṭebētu
XI	Šabātu
XII	Addaru
XII ₂	intercalary Addāru

No. 1-S. Plate I

Museum no.: BM 109975 (1914-4-4, 41)
 Size: 5×6.3×1.5 (XXS)
 Format: type 3 (fragmentary reverse), irregular
 Place: (Uruk)
 Date SE: 11.IX.24, Seleucus I, silver *qalû* of Alexander
 Date BC: 301.XII.27
 Bibl.: unpubl.
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #645
 Description (type of transaction): promissory note for silver

- Obv. 4 ḡín` kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú šá 'a-lik-sa-an-dar*
šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá 'na-na-a-mu a 'r'é'-kur-za-kir*
ina muh-hi ^{1d}utu-ba-*šá* dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-gur
ul-tu ud.24.kám *šá* ^{1u}gan mu.11.ḡám`
 (5) *'se-lu-ku lugal ša iti ana muh-hi 'ma'-ne-e*
 3 ḡín` kù.babbar ^{ur}5`ra kù.babbar a ⁴ḡín`
ina muh-hi-šú i-rab-bi e-ṭir u kuš mim²-ma²
šá 'ugu²' šá-ta-ri mu.meš.<<meš²>>
uṣ-ša-' hé-pu-ú šu-u
 Rev. ^{1u}mu-k[*in*, ...]
^{1r}x`[...]
 (4 lines lost?)
^{1r}x` [...]
 [...]
 (15) ^{1r}x-x`
ⁱ[^ugan ud.24.kám mu.11.kám *'se-lu-ku lugal*]
- L.e. *un-qa 'tat-tan-nu* (only 1 seal, left ranged)
 R.e. *šu-pur* [^{1d}utu-ba-*šá*]
 B.e. *un-qa 'la-ba-ši un-qa 'x`-[...]*
 U.e. *un-[qa]* ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ší [*un-qa]* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu

Dossier: Lâbâši (AZI/NI//EZ) = Lâbâši's father

Translation. 4 š of good quality silver of Alexander, (credit) of Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ, due from Šamaš-iqīša/Anu-abu-ušur. From day 24 of Kislîmu, year 11 of Seleucus the king, 3 š of silver per mina monthly will accrue against him as interest on those 4 š of silver. A record of payment and any(?) leather (document?) that may come to bear on this document will not be valid.

Witnesses (reconstructed on the basis of the seal captions).

W?=L.e.1=645a: Tattannu/[...]

W?=B.e.1=645d: Lâbâši/[...]

W?=B.e.2=645c: [...]

W?=U.e.1=645b: Anu-ahu-ušabši/[...]

W?=U.e.2=645e: Anu-bêlšunu/[...]

Scribe: [lost]. Kislîmu, day 24, year 11, Seleucus, the king.

Debtor=R.e.=nail: Šamaš-iqīša/Anu-abu-ušur

Creditor: Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The place of issue of the tablet is lost; however it is likely on prosopographical grounds that it was written in Uruk. The document is a promissory note, with the addition of the clause protecting the creditor against future claims (Obv. 7-9). An extended version of this formula is found in promissory notes arising from a (previous) deposit from Seleucid Babylon, which however is not referred to in our tablet.¹ The same formula is attested in only one other document of the corpus from Hellenistic Uruk, OECT 9 3.²

No. 1-S is the first example of the use of silver coins in Uruk (and probably the second in southern Babylonia).³

The creditor in the transaction is Lâbâši's father; the document, dating to SE 11, represents thus his first occurrence in the Hellenistic corpus from Uruk.⁴ As is well known, the Lâbâši family was active in Hellenistic Uruk since the very beginning of the Seleucid Era, mostly in transactions concerning prebends and urban estates; as Doty has shown, its members were the protagonists of the only *donatio mortis causa* in the corpus from Hellenistic Uruk; they also had a stake in agricultural land. It is thus interesting that Lâbâši's father appears also in **No. 1-S**, one of the few examples of promissory notes that have come down to us.

Obv. 2: last three signs of the name flow onto the right edge.

Note that in the parallel text OECT 9 3: 5 the same formula reads *ana muhhi 1 manê*; 1 is omitted in our text.⁵

Obv. 7-9: reading of these lines is tentative.

Obv. 8: mu.meš.meš (the three signs overwrite something: only traces of the previous signs are visible).

Seals: U.e. (T) and B.e. (B) inverted in Mitchell and Searight's description.⁶

U.e.: slight traces of a textile on the surface of the U.e., to the right of the extant seal impression, might be the result of accidental impression (or manufacturing?). It seems unlikely that it was used in lieu of the seal.⁷

¹ Classified by Stolper as 'interest bearing promissory notes': on these documents and their meaning see Stolper 1993, especially pp. 57-63; the matter is revised by Jursa 2002. For promissory notes in the Neo-Babylonian period see Wunsch 2002 (and the survey by Jursa 2005, pp. 41-42). The matter is summarised in Oelsner, Wells, Wunsch 2003, pp. 949-951.

² For the reading of this formula in OECT 9 3, see Joannès 1987/103.

³ Monerie 2018, p. 167, fn. 670 and 672.

⁴ According to Doty 1977, p. 189 the first document mentioning Lâbâši's father is VDI 1955/4 6, dating to SE 12.

⁵ For a similar case from Babylon see, e.g., Jursa 2002, no. 4.

⁶ See Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 198, #645.

⁷ On the occasional use of hem and textile impressions, both on purpose and accidentally impressed in lieu of seals, see Taylor 2011, p. 15. No evidence for garment traces is recorded by Altavilla, Walker 2009 and 2016 on Late Babylonian tablets from Sippar and Babylon and its vicinity. Two examples from the Nappāhu archive: Baker 2004, p. 13.

No. 2-P. Plate II

Museum no.: BM 109963 (1914-4-4, 29)
 Size: 8.1×9.8×2.8 (S)
 Format: type 3b-compact, irregular
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 13.XII.12, Seleucus I (payment unknown)
 Date BC: 298.III.21
 Bibl.: unpubl.
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #646.
 Description (type of transaction): sale (unknown) prebend

Obv.	[	<i>ina</i>] <i>hu-ud lib-bi-šú ši-in-ze-ru-ú</i> <i>ina</i> 1-en <i>u₄mu</i> ⁷
	[	]x ⁷ ^d gašan-šá-sag u dingir.meš é-šú- <i>nu</i> ⁴ [<i>gab-bi</i>]
	[	]meš <i>šá a-na ši-in-ze-ru-ú ina</i> <i>ud.5.kám</i> ⁷
	[	]ki <i>x-x u šeš.meš-šú dumu.meš šá</i> ^{1r} d60-x ⁷ -[...]
(5)	[	¹ <i>ni-di</i>]n-tu ₄ - ^d 60 dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} utu ² -[...]
	[	] <i>a-na</i> ⁷ 15 <i>gín</i> ⁷ [kù.babbar]
	[	] <i>u₄-mu ša-a-t[ú]</i>
	[	] <i>u₄-mu.meš</i> [mu.meš]
	[	] x x x x
(10)	[	] x x x x
	[	] x x x
	[	] x x x
	[	] x x x
	[	] x <i>mu-mar-raq</i> (?) [...]
	[	... <i>a-n</i>]a <i>u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu</i>
(blank)		
Rev.	^{1a} <i>mu-kin₇ tat-tan-nu</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ¹ <i>ni-din-tu₄</i> - ^d 60 a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	¹ <i>šá</i> - ^d 60- <i>iš-šu-ú</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>šeš-gál-ši</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	¹ <i>ina-qí-bit</i> - ^d 60	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>din-iṭ</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	¹ <i>ki-din</i> - ^d 60	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>du-a</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	¹ <i>ba-šá-a</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} <i>inanna-mu-kám</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
(20)	^{1d} 60- <i>du-a</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ¹ <i>ú-bar</i> a [¹ <i>é</i>]- <i>kur-[za]-kir</i>
	^{1d} 60- <i>din-su-e</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ¹ <i>ina-qí-bit</i> - ^d 60 a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	^{1d} 60- <i>šeš-mu</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ¹ <i>ri-hat</i> - ^d <i>inanna</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	^{1d} 60- <i>numun-giš</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>en-numun</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
	^{1d} 60- <i>din-iṭ</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>šeš.meš-mu</i> a ^{1d} 30- <i>ti-ér</i> ⁷
(25)	^{1d} 60- <i>šeš-gál-ši</i>	dumu <i>šá</i> ^{1d} 60- <i>din-su-e</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i>
(blank)		
	^{1d} <i>inanna-mu-kám</i> ^{1a} <i>umbisag</i> dumu <i>šá</i> ¹ <i>ba-šá-a</i> a ¹ <i>é-kur-za-kir</i> unug ^{ki} ¹ⁱⁱ še ud.12.kám mu.13.kám	¹ <i>se-lu-ku</i> lugal
L.e.	na ₄ .kišib [...] na ₄ .kišib [...] na ₄ .kišib [...]	
R.e.	(lost)	
B.e.	[na ₄].kišib ⁷ ^{1d} 60- <i>šeš-gál-ši</i> na ₄ .kišib ^{1d} 60- <i>numun-giš</i> na ₄ .kišib ^{1d} 60- <i>du-a</i> na ₄ .kišib ^{1d} 60- <i>din-su-e</i>	
U.e.	na ₄ .kišib [...] [n]a ₄ .kišib [...] na ₄ .kišib ¹ <i>tat-tan-nu</i>	

Dossier. n-a

Translation. (...) voluntarily [sold] forever 1/12 of a day [...] Bēlet-ša-Uruk and all of the gods of their temple [...] that belongs to 1/12 in day 5 [...] and his brothers, the sons of Anu-... [...] Nidinti-Anu, son of Šamaš²..., [...], for 15 š of silver. [...] those days [...] the clearer(?) [...] belongs to [...] forever.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.3=646c: Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu//EZ
 W2=??: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ
 W3=?=646e?: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballit//EZ
 W4=??: Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ
 W5=??: Iqīšaya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//EZ
 W6=B.e.3=646a: Anu-mukīn-apli/Ubar//EZ
 W7=B.e.4=646d: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ
 W8=??: Anu-ahu-iddin/Rihat-Ištar//EZ
 W9=B.e.2=646b: Anu-zēru-lišir/Anu-bēl-zēri//EZ
 W10=??: Anu-uballit/Anu-ahhē-iddin//SLU

W11=B.e.1=646f: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//EZ

Scribe: Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Iqīšaya//EZ. Uruk. Addaru, day 12, year 13, Seleucus, the king.

Seller=lost: lost

Buyer1=lost: .../Anu-...

Buyer2=lost: .../Anu-...

Buyer3=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš²-...

Commentary. The tablet is clearly related to VDI 1955/4, 6. Both were written by the same scribe (Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Iqīšaya//EZ), one in year 12, the other in year 13 of the reign of Seleucus I; the two tablets have five witnesses in common: namely, Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu//EZ (W1 in **No. 2-P**=W1 in VDI 1955/4, 6); Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-ahu-ušabsi//EZ (W2=W3); Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballit//EZ (W3=W5); Iqīšaya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//EZ (W5=W6); Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ (W4=W7). It is interesting to note that all five belong to the EZ clan, that is also the clan from which the scribe of the two documents claims descent. All the witnesses of **No. 2-P** belong to the EZ clan except Anu-uballit (W10), who stems from the SLU clan. VDI 1955/4 6 conversely, features witnesses from four different families (the EZ, GA, LA and K). Only one of the witnesses belonging to the EZ clan that act in VDI 1955/4, 6 is not mentioned among the witnesses of **No. 2-P**. Ištar-šumu-ēreš, the scribe, is the son of the Iqīšaya mentioned in line 19 (= W5). On the peculiar layout of VDI 1955/4, 6 and **No. 2-P** as a mark of his hand, see above § 8.2.1.

No. 3-RE. Plate III

Museum no.: BM 105201 (1913-4-16, 33)

Size: 7.6×8.8×3.2 (S)

Format: type 1b compact, slightly irregular

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 15.x.06, Seleucus I; silver *qalû* (no staters mentioned)

Date BC: 297/296

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #647

Description (type of transaction): sale of a house, *bīt ritti makkūr Anu epšu, sippi raksu, bītu ruggubu* etc.; district of the Ištar Gate; NSW

- Obv. [1d60]-ik-šur dumu šá 1d60-šeš.meš-mu a '30-ti-ér ina hu-ud lib-bi-š[ú]
 'é-su é rit-ti-šú níg.ga d60 ép-šú sip-pi rak-su é rug-gu-b[u]
 9i5ig 9i5si-kur <<si-kúr>> ki-ti ká gal d1nanna šá qé-reb unugki 30 kùš
 uš an-ú imsi.sa da é 1d60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá 1d60-en-šú-nu
 (5) mu-šu-ú šá é mu.meš 30 kùš uš ki-ú imu18 lu da é
 1ina-qí-bit-d60 'dumu šá' 1d60-ad-šeš 25 [kùš] sag.ki an.ta immar.tu'
 da é 1d60-šeš-mu-nu u 'ba-si'(su)-ia dumu.meš šá 1ina-qí-bit-d60 23 kùš
 sag.ki ki.ta imkur.ra da é 1d60-ik-šur dumu ša 'dù-a šu.nigin
 30 uš 25 kùš sag.ki 'mi'-[ših-tu] é mu.meš é mu.meš
 (10) i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-šú gab-bi a-na 15 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú
 a-na šám til.meš a-na 1d60-na-na-a-mu dumu šá 1d60-numun-mu a 'é-kur-za-kir
 a-na u4-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din [kù.babbar] a4 15 gín qa-lu-ú šám
 é rit-ti-šú níg.ga d60 [ep-šú m]u.meš 1d60-ik-šur
 dumu šá 1d60-šeš.meš-mu ina š[u-ii 1d]na-na-a-mu dumu šá 1d60-numun-mu
 (15) ma-hir e-tir u4-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi é mu.meš gab-<bi>
 níg.ga d60 it-tab-šu-ú 1d60-ik-šur é mu.meš ú-mar-raq-ma
 a-di [12]-ta.àm a-na 1d60-na-na-a-mu i-nam-din
 Rev. é mu.meš šá 1d60-na-na-a-mu dumu šá 1d60-numun-mu
 a 'é-kur-za-kir ana u4-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
 (20) 1a mu-kin7 1d60-din-su-e dumu šá 1d60-šeš-mu 1kar-d60 du[mu] 'šá' (PN missing here)
 1šá-d60-iš-šu-ú dumu šá 1d60-šeš-gál-ší a 'é-kur-za-kir
 1d60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá 1'ki-din'-d60 a 'kur-i
 1d60-du-a dumu šá 1'ú-bar a 'kur-i
 1'ú-bar dumu šá 1d60-šeš-mu-nu a 'ki-din-damar.utu
 (25) 1d60-din-iṭ u 1na-na-a-mu dumu.meš šá 1ni-din-tu4-d60 a 1ki-din-damar.utu
 1d60-din-iṭ dumu šá 1ki-din-d60 a 1kur-i
 1dutu-mu' dumu šá 1li-giš a 1d30-ti-ér
 1la-qip dumu šá 160-ba-šá-an-ni a 1šeš-ú-tú
 1ia-a-zi-pa-' dumu šá 1d60-šeš-mu-nu
 (blank)
 [1d60-d]in-iṭ dumu šá 1den.líl'-šeš-mu a 1šeš-ú-tú unugki'
 [iti'x ud]. 'x²+6.kám mu.15.kám 1se-'lu-ku' lugal
 L.e. [un]-qa 1šá-d60-iš-šu-ú un-qa 1d60-din-iṭ un-qa 1d60-šeš.[meš-mu] [...]
 R.e. 'šu'-pur 1d60-ik-šur 1a-na-din é mu.meš dumu šá 1d60-šeš.meš-mu un-qa 1ia-[a-zi-pa-']
 B.e. un-qa 1la'-qip un-qa 1d60-na-na-a'-mu un-qa 1kar-d60 un-qa 1d60-din-su-e
 U.e. [un-qa] 1d60-du-a un-qa 1d60-din-iṭ un-qa 1'ú-bar

Dossier. Lâbâši (NI/AZi//EZ) = Lâbâši's (eldest) brother.

Translation. Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//SLU voluntarily sold to Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ his house, his tenured house, Property of Anu, built-on, intact door frame, a roofed house, the door and lock [lock – mistake for: installed?], in the district of the Ištar Gate, in Uruk: 30 cubits the upper long side to the north, adjoining the house of Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu, alley of that house; 30 cubits the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur; 25 cubits, the upper short side to the west, adjoining the house of Anu-ahu-ittannu and Bassiya/Ina-qibīt-Anu; 23 cubits the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Anu-ikšur/Mukīn-apli; total: 30 cubits the long sides and 25 cubits the short sides, measurement of that house, that house all of it, as little and as much as it is, for 15 š of pure silver, as its full price, in perpetuity. The silver (amounting to) 15 š, pure, price of that tenured house, Property of Anu, built-on, Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahhē-iddin received from the hands of Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that entire house, Property of Anu, Anu-ikšur will clear that house; and will pay twelve-times (the amount received) to Nanāya-iddin. That house belongs to Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.4=647g: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-ahu-iddin
 W2=B.e.3=647d: Mušēzib-Anu/(patronym missing)
 W3=L.e.1=647a⁸: Ša-Anu-iššū/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ
 W4=L.e.3=647h: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Kidin-Anu//K
 W5=U.e.1=647lost: Anu-mukīn-apli/Ubar//K
 W6=U.e.3=647c: Ubar/Anu-ahu-ittannu//KM
 W7=L.e.2=647b: Anu-uballiṭ/Nidinti-Anu//KM
 W8=B.e.2=647e: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//KM
 W9=U.e.2=647f: Anu-uballiṭ/Kidin-Anu//K
 W10=[L.e.4=lost]: Šamaš-iddin/Lišir//SLU
 W11=B.e.1=647i: Lāqip/Anu-iqīšanni//Ah
 W12=R.e.2=lost: Yah-šippa' or lazipa'/Anu-ahu-ittannu

Scribe: Anu-uballiṭ/Enlil-ahu-iddin//Ah. Uruk. ... day 6, year 15, Seleucus, the king.

Seller=Clearer=lost: Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//SLU
 Buyer: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ
 N-neighbour: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu
 S-neighbour: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur
 W-neighbour1: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu
 W-neighbour2: Bassiya/Ina-qibīt-Anu
 E-neighbour: Anu-ikšur/Mukīn-apli

Commentary. The buyer of the property is Lābāši's eldest brother, Nanāya-iddin. The tablet, dated to SE 15, antedates by 5 years his earliest appearance in the corpus from Hellenistic Uruk as principal.⁹

Small tablet (maybe connected with its earlier date) featuring an inaccurate script, leaning up towards the right. Many elements combine to suggest that it is the work of an inexperienced scribe. Obverse and reverse cannot be easily distinguished: both are in fact slightly convex; the reverse is a little flatter than the obverse.

Obv. 3: ⁸⁵ig ⁸⁵si-kur <<si-kūr>>. Should we expect *si-kūr* to be a scribal mistake for the expected *kun-nu* (due to the similarity between the signs KŪR and NU) or a sort of dittography perhaps resulting from the fact that the scribe was not sure what sign he had to use for the word (and thus spelled it twice, with two different signs)?

WList: the patronym is missing after the name of Mušezib-Anu, as is clear from the fact that both Mušezib-Anu and Ša-Anu-iššū seal the document. The possibility that the scribe made a mistake due to aplography is not supported by prosopography (to the best of my knowledge, there is so far no evidence of a Mušezib-Anu son of Ša-Anu-iššū in Hellenistic Uruk).

R.e.: the seller seals the document using his nail mark instead of a seal. The layout of the edge is anomalous: the caption and PN lay on the first line, the juridical role on the second, the nail mark on the third line and the filiation on the fourth. The seal of W11 (lazipa') follows, whose impression partly obliterates the caption *un-qa* (which was thus written before the seal was impressed). lazipa' (the name is read Yah-šippa' by Wallenfels AUWE 19, #1080) might be the grandfather of the Anu-bēlšunu (/Anu-abu-ušur//lazipa') who acts as witness in BRM 2 26: 14 (a sale of a house in the district of the Ištar Gate, dated to SE 85).

L.e.: features an anomalous *mise-en-page* too, with all the PNs not standing on the same line.

W6 and W8 are also attested as witnesses in **No. 4-P** (corresponding to W3 and W6 respectively), a prebend sale dating to SE 18, where the seller also uses a nail mark to seal the document.

The seal of W7 (Wallenfels AUWE 19, no. 284) also appears in BRM 2 3 (U.e.4); this made possible the distinction between the seals of the two Anu-uballiṭs mentioned among the witnesses.

The following scribal idiosyncrasy can be noted: Obv. 15: *ṭir* is used instead of the more common *ṭir* for *ēṭir*. In the same line, *bi* of *gab-bi* is omitted. Rev. 20: -*ú* in Ša-Anu-iššū features an extra stroke. Rev. 25: anomalous writing of -*na*- in the name of Nanāya-iddin.

The WList is indented from the second line (Rev. 21) on. Many lines of the obverse flow onto the right edge (Obv. 1-3, 6-7, 10-12, 15-16).

⁸ Note the following correspondences with Mitchell, Searight 2008 (where the seal numbering reflects the fact that the reading direction of the L.e. edge in their description was inverted): L.e.1=L4; L.e.2=L3; L.e.3=L2; L.e.4=L1. Mitchell, Searight 2008, #647a corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 115.

⁹ Before this tablet the earliest appearance of Nanāya-iddin in a document was BRM 2 3, dated to SE 20, that also represented the only example of a document in which he acted as a principal: Doty 1977, pp. 215-216.

No. 4-P. Plate IV

Museum no.: BM 109941 (1914-4-4, 7)
 Size: 9.5×10.5×2.6 (M)
 Format: type 3a-compact, left aligned.
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 18.VIII.1, Seleucus I and Antiochus I; (lost).
 Date BC: 294.XI.18
 Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2014, pp. 120, 163, 168
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #650.
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

- Obv. [1^d60-din-su-e dumu šá 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá 1^d60-din-su-e a 1^{šu}-^d60^ˆ ina hu-ud lib-[bi-šú]
 [ud.17.kám giš.šub.ba 1^ugìr.sìg-ú-tú igi ^d]na-na-[a]
 [
 šá iti-us-su kal mu.]an.na
 [gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš ù mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš ik-ka]š-ši-du
 (5) [a-na (price) kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ri.meš šá RN bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na 1^d60-num]un-mu
 [dumu šá 1^{na}-na-a-mu a 1^é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú] it-ta-din
 [kù.babbar a₄ (price) šám giš.šub].ba 1^ugìr.sìg-ú-tú
 [mu.meš til.meš 1^d60-din-su-e dumu šá 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá] 1^d60-din-su-e a 1^{šu}-^d60
 [ina šu-ii 1^d60-numun-mu dumu šá 1^{na}-na]-a-mu a 1^é-kur-za-kir
 (10) [ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana m]uh-hi ud.17.kám giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 [it-tab-šu-ú 1^d60-din]-su-e dumu šá 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá
 [1^d60-din-su-e a 1^{šu}-^d60 ú-mar-raq-ma a-di] 12-ta.àm a-na 1^d60-numun-mu
 [dumu šá 1^{na}-na-a-mu a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-na]m-din giš.šub.ba ud.17.kám
 [1^ugìr.sìg-ú-tú mu.meš šá 1^d60-numun-mu dumu šá 1^{na}-na-a-mu
 (15) [a 1^é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu]-^ˆú (blank)
 Rev. (blank)
 1^umu-kin₇ 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 u 1^šul-lum-mu dumu.meš <šá> 1^šir-ki-^d60
 a.meš 1^d30-ti-ér 1^u-bar dumu šá 1^d60-šeš-mu-nu a 1^{ki}-din-^damar.utu
 1^dinanna-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá 1^d60-šeš-mu-nu a 1^é-kur-za-kir
 1^d60-ad-šeš dumu šá 1^d60-numun-mu a 1^{hun}-zu-ú 1^dna-na-a-mu
 (20) dumu šá 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 a 1^{ki}-din-^damar.utu 1^d60-ik-šur dumu šá 1^d60-šeš.meš-mu
 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá 1^d60-du-a a 1^{kur}-i 1^{ri}-hat-^d60
 dumu šá 1^{du}-a 1^sipa edin 1^d60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá 1^d60-en-šú-nu
 1^use-pir (blank)
 (blank)
 1^den-šeš.meš-mu 1^uumbisag dumu šá 1^d60-^ˆdin-su^ˆ unug^{ki} 1^{iti}apin ud.1.kám
 (25) mu.18.kám 1^{se}-lu-ku u 1^{at}-ta-i-ku-su lugal.meš
 L.e. un-qa [...] un-qa [...] (blank)
 R.e. šu-pur ù un-qa šá 1^d60-din-su-e dumu šá 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá 1^d60-din-su-e a 1^{šu}-^d60 1^una-din giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 B.e. [un-qa] 1^u-bar un-qa 1^dinanna-šeš.meš-mu un-qa 1^d60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa } 1^{ri}-hat-^d60
 U.e. un-qa [1^šul]-lum-mu^ˆ un-qa 1^d60-ik-šur un-qa 1ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60^ˆ un-qa 1^d60-^ˆ[ad]-šeš^ˆ

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/NI/EZ) = Lâbâši's father

Translation. Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//GA voluntarily sold forever to Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ day 17, his *gerseqqûtu* prebend in front of ... Nanâya ... which is monthly, throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *eššešû* offerings, and whatever pertains to that prebend, for ... of silver, good quality staters of That silver,... full purchase price of that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//GA received from the hands of Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to day 17, that prebend, Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//GA will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ. That prebend, day 17, the *gerseqqûtu*, belongs to Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin//EZ, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.1=650f: Nidinti-Anu/Širki-Anu//SLU
 W2=U.e.1=650a: Šullumu/Širki-Anu//SLU
 W3=B.e.1=650b: Ubar/Anu-ahu-ittannu//KM
 W4=B.e.2=650d: Ištar-ahhê-iddin/ Anu-ahu-ittannu//EZ
 W5=U.e.4=650c: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zêru-iddin//H
 W6=L.e.2=650i: Nanâya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//KM
 W7=U.e.2=650j: Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahhê-iddin
 W8=U.e.3=650g: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukîn-apli//K
 W9=B.e.4=650e: Rihat-Anu/Mukîn-apli, shepherd of the steppe

W10=B.e.3=650h: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu, alphabetic scribe

Scribe: Bēl-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bullissu. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 1, year 18, Seleucus and Antiochus, the kings.

Seller=Clearer=650a: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//GA

Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/EZ

Commentary. The tablet is the first document recording the co-regency of Seleucus I and his son Antiochus.¹⁰

The buyer of the *gerseqqūtu* prebend is Lābāši's father; the document can thus be connected to **No. 1-S**, above.¹¹

A short spelling ^{lú}gīr.sig-ú-tú, instead of the more common forms ^{lú}gīr.sig.ga-ú-tú and ^{lú}gīr.sig-ú-tú for the name of the prebend is used here. The same variant occurs in **No. 8-P**: 3, 16 and 19 (thescribes however are different).

Rev. 16: The spelling ^{šul}-lum-mu is to my knowledge not otherwise attested in Hellenistic Uruk, where the name is usually spelled ^{šul}-lum. A Šullum(u)/Širki-Anu¹² (W2), without clan affiliation, appears as scribe of YOS 20 15 (dated to SE 27): the identification of the two individuals is however uncertain. A Šullum/Širki-Anu//SLU (the brother of Anu-iqīšanni) is mentioned among the witnesses of BRM 2 4, OECT 9 5 and **No. 7-P**. It is worth noting that the seals used by Šullum in **No. 4-P**, BRM 2 4 and in **No. 7-P** are all different (the one in OECT 9 5 is not preserved).

A Nidinti-Anu/Širki-Anu (W1) also acts as witness in YOS 20 95: 18 (undated); if the two were the same individual, it would be possible to assign to the Yale tablet an early Seleucid date. If the Širki-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//SLU who acts as witness in BM 116688 (an unpublished tablet from Uruk, dating to Artaxerxes) was their father, as seems likely,¹³ we would have evidence of the fact that the family maintained its position in the temple between the Late Achaemenid and the Seleucid period.

W3 and W6 are also attested in **No. 3-RE**: see the commentary to the previous text for details. W1 and W6: seal identification on the basis of the seal iconography.¹⁴

W7: Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahhē-iddin has no family name.

Rev. 21-22: No other occurrence of the *rē'i šēri* Rihat-Anu/Mukīn-apli (W9) in the Hellenistic corpus is known to me; however, the Mukīn-apli/Rihat-Anu *rē'i šēri* who acts as witness in VS 15 5 (SE 37) might be his son. Three more shepherds of the steppe are known in the corpus from Hellenistic Uruk: Anu-uballiṭ and Anu-ittannu both witnesses in YOS 20 39 (dated to SE 78), and Kidin-Anu, witness in BRM 2 14 (dated to SE 51 SE); all are identified as the sons of Mukīn-apli.¹⁵ The reason for these shepherds' involvement as witnesses in the contracts escapes us.

Rev. 22-23: the *sepīru* Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu is also mentioned as a witness in **No. 10//11-P** (SE 37). It is likely that the Lābāši/Anu-bēlšunu who acts as witness in OECT 9 4: 8 (SE 23) and YOS 20 16: 28 (SE 29) is his brother.¹⁶

D.f.=Rev. 24: traces of previous signs visible under the last two signs of the name ^{lú}60-din-su.

R.e.: the caption on the right edge reads "nail mark and seal of PN"; however, only the nail-mark appears on the tablet. The layout is organised along three lines. On the first line stands the two captions *šu-pur ù un-qa* + PN of the seller; on the second line is the nail mark (slightly left aligned); full filiation (patronym, papponym and family name) follows on the third line, and the juridical role on the fourth. Bēl-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bullissu, the scribe of the document, bears no family name; this and the fact that his name contains the thephoric element Bēl concur in suggesting that he might have been of northern Babylonian origin.¹⁷ This might be the reason for some of the anomalous spellings used in the text (and maybe also for the particular layout of the right edge).

10 Del Monte 1997, p. 226; see also the comments in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 199 and Monerie 2014, 120, 163, 168.

11 On Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//Ekur-zakir, see Doty 1977, pp. 189-197.

12 On the *r/š* shift in the spellings of this name and the graphic alternation between the two variants ^{lú}šeš-ki-^{lú}60 and ^{lú}šir-ki-^{lú}60 see Von Soden 1995, p. 44, §35 and Wallenfels 1994, p. 20, fn. 86.

13 Altavilla, Walker 2016, F282 and Mitchell, Searight 2008, #513c. The tablet is published by Hackl 2017.

14 A Nidinti-Anu/Širki-Anu occurs also in VDI 1955/4, 1: for his seal see Wallenfels 1994, no. 616 and 916B. The seal of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//K is probably to be identified with Wallenfels 1994, no. 335 (BRM 2 4, U.e.3).

15 A shepherd of the steppe going by the name of Kidin-Anu/Ṭab-Anu/Kidin-Anu also occurs as a witness in BRM 2 54 and BiMes 24 28; the two documents date to the end of the Seleucid period (SE 148 and 150, respectively) and no clear connection can be established between him and the shepherds mentioned in earlier documents.

16 On Lābāši/Anu-bēlšunu see Clancier 2005, p. 102. Judging from the date he records in the stemma, it is likely that Clancier refers to the reference of this individual in YOS 20 16; the reference in OECT 9 4: Rev. 8 should thus be added. An updated discussion of the *sepīrus* of Hellenistic Uruk, also in the light of the texts published here, is in preparation.

17 On Babylonian scribes in Hellenistic Uruk, see Boiy 2011: Bēl-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bullissu must be added to his list. On scribes of no-Urukean origin active in Hellenistic Uruk see § 8.4, above.

No. 5-P. Plate V

Museum no.: BM 105179 (1913-4-16, 11)

Size: 9.5×10.5×3.2 (M)

Format: type 2a-split, irregular

Place: Uruk

Date: 22.XI.2, Seleucus I and Antiochus I; (no payment)

Date BC: 289.II.01

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *āšipūtu* prebend. No deities mentioned

- (Obv.) ^{im}d[u]b ganba šá giš.šub.ba a-ši-pu-ú-tú šá ina igi-am-ma ^{id}60-ad-šeš
 dumu šá [^{id}60]-šeš.meš-mu` a ^ššu-^d60 a-na kù.babbar ina šu-ii ^{id}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá
 <<dumu šá>> [NP d]umu šá ^{ina-qí-bit-^d60} a ^ššu-^d60 ma-la ha.la-šú šá ki ^{numun-ia}
 dumu šá ^{id}60-du`-a a ^ššu-^d60 im-hu-ru ^{im}dub ganba šá giš.šub.ba
 (5) a-ši-pu-ú-tú mu.meš a-na e-peš šu-bu-ú-tú šá ^{numun-ia}
 dumu šá ^{id}60-gi u ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{ni-din-tu₄-^d60} a.meš ^ššu-^d60
 e-pu-uš kù.babbar šá ina ^{im}dub ganba a-ši-pu-ú-tú mu.meš
 [¹]numun-ia dumu šá ^{id}60-gi u ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{ni-din-tu₄-^d60}
 [a].meš ^ššu-^d60 ki-i e-tir-ri-` a-na ^{id}60-ad-šeš dumu šá
 (10) [¹]^d60.šeš.meš-mu a ^ššu-^d60 it-tan-nu-` ^{im}dub ganba
 `šá` giš.šub.ba a-ši-pu-ú-tú mu.meš ^{id}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu
 `a` ^ššu-^d60 ki-i e-tir-ri-` a-na ^{numun-ia} dumu šá ^{id}60-gi
 u ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{ni-din-tu₄-^d60} a.meš ^ššu-^d60 it-ta-din
^{im}dub ganba šá giš.šub.ba a-<ši>-pu-ú-tú mu.meš u giš.šub.ba
 (15) a-<ši>-pu-ú-tú mu.meš šá ^{numun-ia} dumu šá ^{id}60-gi u ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá
 (Rev.) ^{ni-din-tu₄-^d60} a.meš ^ššu-^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú` ul id-din-ma
^{id}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu a ^ššu-^d60 ^{im}dub ganba šá giš.šub.ba
 `a-ši`-pu-ú-tú mu.meš u giš.šub.ba `a-ši`-pu-ú-tú mu.meš a-na kù.babbar
 [a-na] `re-mu` a-na nu-đu`-nu-ú u a-na e-peš šu-bu-ú-tú ana
 (20) [ma-na]m-ma šá-nam-ma gab-bi e-lat ^{numun-ia} dumu šá ^{id}60-gi u ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu
 `dumu šá <sup>ni`-din-^{tu₄-^d60} a.meš ^ššu-^d60 ul id-din u ul i-nam-din u ki-i id-din
 ul ú-rag-ú-mar-ši
^{id}mu`-kin,
^{id}du-a dumu šá ^{id}60-ik-šur a `kur-i ^{id}60-gi dumu šá ^{id}utu-`sur` a
 (25) ^{lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur} ^{ina-qí-bit-^d60} dumu šá ^{id}60-din-su-e a ^ššeš-`-ú-tú
^{ni-din-tu₄-^d60} u ^{id}60-ba-šá-an-nu dumu.meš šá ^ššir-ki-^d60 a ^{id}30-ti-ér
^{ki-din-^d60} dumu šá ^{id}60-numun-mu a ^ššeš-`-ú-tú ^{ina-qí-bit-^d60} dumu šá
^{ki-din-^d60} a ^{é-kur-za-kir} ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{id}na-na-a-mu a
^{lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur}
 (30) ^{na-na-a-mu} ^{id}umbisag dumu šá ^{ina-qí-bit-^d60} a `kur-i unug^{ki} ^{id}iz ud.2.kám
 mu.22.kám ^{se-lu-ku} u ^{at-ti-^{ku-su}} lugal.meš</sup>
- L.e. u[n-qa] ^{id}x-`[...] un-qa [...] ^{id}60 un-[qa] ^{id}60-ba-šá-an-nu
 R.e. (without un-qa) ^{id}60-ad-`šeš` [dumu šá] (1 seal) ^{id}60-šeš.meš-mu a ^ššu-^d60 na-din giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa ^{id}du-a un-qa ^{id}60-`[...] un-qa [NP] un-qa [...] ^{id}60`
 U.e. (blank) un-qa ^{id}60-šeš-mu`-nu

Dossier. Gimil-Anu (?)

Translation. Purchase document of the *āšipūtu* prebend that previously Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA has bought from Anu-bēšunu/[...]/Ina-qibīt-Anu//GA, all of his share that he holds jointly with Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA. The purchase document of this *āšipūtu* prebend is (now) at the disposal of Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu, the descendants of GA. The silver which is (stated) in the purchase document of this *āšipūtu* (prebend), Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu, the descendants of GA, (in order) to pay it off, have given to Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA; the purchase document of this *āšipūtu* prebend, Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA, once paid off, will hand over to Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu, the descendants of GA. The tablet of the price of this *āšipūtu* prebend and the *āšipūtu* prebend itself belong to Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu, the descendants of GA, in perpetuity. Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA will not give the purchase document concerning this *āšipūtu* prebend and the *āšipūtu* prebend itself for silver, as a gift, as a dowry, or for whatever else reason to anybody other than Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu, the descendants of GA. He has not given it nor will give it and if he has given it, it will not be valid.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1: Mukīn-apli/Anu-ikšur/K
 W2=B.e.2: Anu-ušallim/Šamaš-ētir//LA
 W3=L.e.1/B.e.4: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ah
 W4=?: Nidinti-Anu/Širki-Anu//SLU
 W5=L.e.3: Anu-iqīšanni/Širki-Anu//SLU
 W6=?: Kidin-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin/Ah
 W7=L.e.1/B.e.4: Ina-qibīt-Anu/ Kidin-Anu//EZ
 W8=U.e.1: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//LA

Scribe: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K. Uruk. Šabātu, day 2, year 22, Seleucus and Antiochus, the kings.

Earlier buyer: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA
 Earlier seller: Anu-bēlšunu/[...]/Ina-qibīt-Anu//GA
 Co-owner: Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA
 Actual buyer1: Zēriya/Anu-ušallim
 Actual buyer2: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//GA
 Actual seller=R.e.1: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin(!)//GA

Commentary. The tablet records the sale of an *āšipūtu* prebend. The title, which originally belonged to a certain Anu-bēlšunu, was sold to Anu-abu-ušur, who held it jointly with Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli. The actual document records Anu-abu-ušur selling his share to two individuals, Zēriya/Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu. All the parties are members of the Gimil-Anu family.

One of the two buyers, Zēriya/Anu-ušallim, was also the buyer of a temple-enterer's prebend in YOS 20 10 (SE 17). His three sons sold it to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ 18 years later (YOS 20 17//**No. 9-P**, dated SE 35). Zēriya/Anu-ušallim had probably died by that time, and two of his sons were not yet of age, since their mother ¹Bēlessunu/Nanāya-iddin sealed the document (the woman is identified only as the mother of Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin; her husband's name is not recorded in the onomastic chain).

It is worth noting that Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA, the seller of our *āšipūtu* prebend is also recorded among the witnesses of YOS 20 10, where Zēriya/Anu-ušallim is the buyer (in addition, the tablet may have been written by his son, since the scribe of YOS 20 10 is Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//GA).

The tablet features a number of anomalies. The prebend name lacks the determinative; the scribe omits the seal caption (*un-qa*) from the seller's seal and the determinative *lú* before *na-din* on the right edge.

Rev. 19: *ana nu-du¹-nu-ú*, variant spelling.

Rev. 26: Nidinti-Anu/Širki-Anu//SLU (W4) is mentioned also in **No. 4-P**: 16 (W1), where he appears in connection to his brother Šullumu (see there for more references).

Anu-iqīšanni/Širki-Anu//SLU (W5) witnessed a number of documents, using apparently two different seals, both depicting priestly musicians. The references and relevant seal impressions were collected by Wallenfels;¹⁸ the following can now be added: **No. 5-P**: 26 (SE 22 SE; seal impression destroyed; on the basis of the date, AUWE 19, no. 51 seems to be more likely); **No. 13-P**: 24 (SE 38 SE; AUWE 19, no. 52); OECT 9 10: 23 (SE 41; AUWE 19, no. 52).

An individual named Anu-iqīšanni/Širki-Anu (no clan name recorded) also acts as a witness in the promissory note YOS 20 7: 15 (16 SE): the seal impression on the edge is almost completely destroyed, thus the identification is uncertain; however, if our identification holds true, the document would represent the first occurrence of his career as a witness and we might expect him to have used AUWE 19, no. 51.

Rev. 30: the tablet is dated to day 2 (reading from the original confirms that the spot on the first vertical stroke is not an oblique for tens, as it may appear from the photograph).

U.e.: only one seal, located to the very right of the edge. The seal is captioned ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu but no witness named Anu-ahu-ittannu is recorded in the witness list: we might expect it to be a mistake for Anu-ahhē-iddin (W8).

The seals are not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

18 Wallenfels 1994, pp. 19-20, nos. 51 and 52 (=AUWE 19, no. 51 and no. 52). Namely, no. 51: BRM 2 3: 30 (SE 20); YOS 20 14: 34 (SE 26; patronym broken; identified by Wallenfels on the basis of the seal impression); BRM 2 4: (SE 29; together with his brother Šullum); YOS 20 16: 27 (SE 29). No. 52: OECT 9 9: 22 (SE 40); WZJ 19 (1970): 26 (SE 48); YOS 20 23: 20 (SE 50).

No. 6-RE. Plate VI

Museum no.: BM 105199 (1913-4-16, 31)

Size: 8.9×9.4×2.6 (S)

Format: type 1a, split

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (18-31).x.x; Seleucus I and Antiochus

Date BC: 294-280

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #651.

Description (type of transaction): gift (?) of *kišubbû* and *amaštu*; district of the Lugalkisurra Gate; anomalous formulary; WENS

- Obv. *ki-šub-ba-a ki-ti* 'ká gal' ^dlugal-ki. sur.ra` [š]á *qé-reb un*[ug^k]ⁱ
 24 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}mar.tu da é ¹ni-[*din-tu*₄]-^d60` *dumu šá* [^{1d}60-šeš]-^rmu`-*nu*
 24 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}kur.ra da é ^{1d}60-en-šú-^rnu` *dumu šá* [^{1r}d¹[utu-su]r
 2 5/6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}si.sá da *ki-šub-ba-a šá* ¹gi-^d[60 *dumu*] *šá*
 (5) ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu* 2 5/6 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}u₁₈.lu da *ki-šub-ba-a*
šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-*nu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}utu-sur *ki-šub-ba-a* mu.meš *šá* [^{1r}d¹60-en-šú-*nu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}utu-sur`
 [ki-šú]b-*ba-a* mu.meš ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu* *dumu šá* ¹ni-*din-tu*₄-^d60 *a-na ú*-[x]-^rx-*tu*₄
 `id^r-*da-šú ina bi-rit-šú-nu* é *a-ma-aš-tu*₄ mu.meš *šá ina ki-šub-ba-a* `mu`.meš
šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-*nu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}utu-sur a ¹lu-uš-*tam-mar*-^diškur u ¹ni-*din*-[*tu*₄-^d60 *dumu šá*]
 (10) ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu* a ¹hun-zu-ú *a-na u*₄-^rmu *ša-a-tú* []-*ma*
^{1d}60-en-šú-*nu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}utu-sur u ¹ni-*din-tu*₄-^d60 *dumu šá* [^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu*]
*a-na u*₄-^rmu *ša-a-tú di-x-qa-x-ri-šú pu-ut* [...]
šá ¹ki-*din*?-^d60 *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu* a ¹hun-zu-^rú` [...]
ina é *a-ma-aš-tu*₄ mu.meš *ma-la ha.la šá* ^{1d}60-[...]`
 (15) ^{1d}60-še[š-mu-*nu*] u ¹ina-*qí-bit*-^d60 *dumu.meš šá* ¹ni- *din*-^rt[*u*₄-^d60...]
a-na [¹ni-*din-tu*₄-^d60] *dumu šá* ¹utu-^rsur` [...]`
 Rev. [*na-šú*?]-^rú *pu-ut la ha-ra*¹-*ra šá* šeš-šú [...]`
 [... *ma-l*]a ha.la *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-*nu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}utu-^r[sur ...]`
 [*ma-la* ha.la *šá* ¹ni-*d*]in-*tu*₄-^d60 *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-*nu* ^{1d}[...]`
 (20) [... -*nu*] u ¹ina-*qí-b*] u ^{1d}šeš.meš-šú *dumu.meš šá* ¹ni-*din-tu*₄-^d60¹⁹ [...]
 [...]-šú *dumu šá* ^{1d}20[...]
 illegible traces
 illegible traces
^{1d}mu-kin₇
 [...]¹]-mu a ¹šu-^d60
 (25) [... a ¹]`*hun-zu*-^rú
 [... a¹lu-uš-*tam*]-*mar*-^d[iškur]
 [...] a ¹šú-^d60
 [...] a ¹hun-zu-^rú
 [... a] ¹hun-^rzu-^rú
 (30) [...] a ¹im-*bi*-^d60²¹
 [... -a]d^r-šeš a ¹šu-^d60 unug^k[¹]
 [¹ix mu.x.kám ¹se-lu-]`*ku* u ¹an-ti-^r-*ku-su* `dumu-šú` ¹lugal`. [meš]
- L.e. *un-^rqa* ` ^{1r}d¹60-šeš-mu-^rnu` *un-^rqa* (blank) ¹ina-*qí-bit*-^d60 a.meš ¹hun-zu-^rú(?)`
 R.e. (blank)
 B.e. *un-[qa]* ¹ina-*qí-bit*-^d60 `un-*qa* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu `un-^r[qa] ^{1r}d¹60`-[...]`
 U.e. [*un-qa*] ^{1r}d¹60-*din-it* ` [*un-qa*] ^{1r}d¹60-*ad-šeš un-qa* ¹gi-^d60

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Undeveloped plot in the district of the Lugalkisurra Gate in Uruk: 24 cubits, the upper long side, to the west, adjoining the house of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu; 24 cubits, the lower long side, to the east, adjoining the house of Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ētir; 2 and 5/6 cubits, the upper short side, to the north, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Mušallim-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu; 2 and 5/6 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ētir; that (is) the undeveloped plot of Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ētir; that undeveloped plot, Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu gave as This partition wall that lies in this undeveloped

19 Poorly preserved.

20 Poorly preserved.

21 Poorly preserved.

plot belongs jointly to Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir//LA and Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H, in perpetuity. Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir and Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu ... forever; ... guarantees ... Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H ... in the partition wall, all the share of Anu-..., Anu-ahu-ittannu and Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu ... to Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir; ... guarantee against his brother all the share of Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir... all the share of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu, ... and his brothers/Nidinti-Anu ..., .../ son of ...

Witnesses:

W1: .../...-iddin//GA
 W2: .../.../H
 W3: .../.../LA
 W4: .../.../GA
 W5: .../.../H
 W6: .../.../H
 W7: .../.../IA

Witnesses from the edges:

U.e.1=?: Anu-uballit
 U.e.2=651d²²: Anu-abu-ušur
 U.e.3=?: Mušallim-Anu
 L.e.2=blank=Ina-qibīt-Anu
 B.e.2=651a: Anu-ahhē-iddin
 L.e.1=651e: Anu-ahu-ittannu/H
 L.e.2=651c: Ina-qibīt-Anu//H
 B.e.3=lost: Anu(?)-...

Scribe: .../...-abu-ušur//GA. Uruk. ... Seleucus and Antiochus his son, the kings

Owner1: Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir//LA
 Giver: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu
 Owner2: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H
 Guarantor(?): Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H
 Guarantor(?): Ina-qibīt-Anu//Nidinti-Anu
 Role unclear: Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir
 W-neighbour: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu
 E-neighbour: Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir
 N-neighbour: Mušallim-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu
 S-neighbour: Anu-bēlšunu/Šamaš-ēṭir

Commentary. The document concerns an empty plot in the Lugalkisurra Gate. The type of transaction is not clear.

While badly damaged the preserved part of the date formula allows us to date the tablet to the period of the co-regency of Seleucus and Antiochus; the document thus belongs in the early Seleucid period, as the unusual formulary confirms.

Properties in the Lugalkisurra district are recorded also in NCTU 12 and YOS 20 32: however, no direct connection may be established between the individuals mentioned in the three documents.

Obv. 8, mu.meš: on the edge.

Obv. 20: the name of Nidinti-Anu is badly preserved.

R.e.: the right edge is blank, maybe in connection to the type of transaction recorded in the tablet?

22 Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #651d is located on the upper edge and should be labelled T2 (not L2).

No. 7-P. Plate VII

Museum no.: BM 104805 (1912-7-6, 69)

Size: 7.1×8.7×2.5 (S)

Format: type 1b-compact, extra spacing before WL

Place: Uruk

Date: 32.XI.28, Antiochus I and Seleucus; (lost)

Date BC: 279.03.7 BC

Bibliography: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #655

Description (type of transaction): (quitclaim?) *āšipūtu* prebend; *ina ašābi* formula

Obv. (lost)

Rev. *ú-mar-raq-ma a-di* 12.ta-àm *a-na* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu*i-nam-din-*' giš.sub.ba ^{1u}maš.maš-ú-tú mu.meš *ma-la* ha.lašá ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1t}tat-tan-nu dumu šá ^{1d}u-a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ^{1é}kur-za-kir *a-na* u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu¹

(half to one line spacing)

(5') ^{1u}mu-kin₇ ^{1š}ul-lum dumu šá ^{1š}ir-ki- 60 a ^{1d}30-ti-ér¹gal-60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹hun-zu-ú¹ki-din-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}an-na-at-^dgašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1t}tat-tan-nu a ^{1é}kur-za-kir^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-nu dumu šá ^{1ú}bar a ¹ki-din-^damar.utu(10') ¹ni-din-tu₄-60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹šeš-ú-tú¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1u}se-pi-ri ¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna dumu šá ¹ir-^dmaš¹na-zi-muru₂-taš ^{1u}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d}en.líl-mu-sa₄ unug^{ki} itⁱzíz ud.28.kámmu.32.kám ¹at-ti-'ku-su u ¹se-lu-ku lugal.mešL.e. *un-qa* [¹ni-di]n-tu₄-^d60 *un-qa* ¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna *un-qa* ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-nuR.e. *un-qa* [¹gi-^d60] *un-qa* ^{1d}60-din-su-e *un-qa* ^rra-ma-[at-^dinanna]B.e. *un[qa]* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu [*un-qa*] ¹gal-60 [*un-qa*] ^{1š}ul-lum [*un-qa*] ¹la-ba-šiU.e. *un-qa* ¹ki-din-^d60 *ina a-šá-bi* šá ¹ra-ma-at-^dinanna dumu.munus šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu*um-mu* šá ¹gi-^d60 u ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu.meš šá ^{1d}u-a šá-ṭa-ri *an-na-a*šá-ṭi-r[i]²³Dossier. Foreign scribes and *āšipūtu* (Anu-bēlšunu/AAI//EZ).*Translation.* (...) will clear it and up to twelve times he will give (it) to Anu-bēlšunu. This *āšipūtu* prebend, the entire share of Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Tattannu/Mukīn-apli, belongs to Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3=655g: Šullum/Širki-Anu//SLU

W2=B.e.2=655f: Rabi-Anu/Anu-uballit//H

W3=U.e.1=655c: Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti//LA

W4=B.e.1=655a: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Tattannu//EZ

W5=L.e.3=655e: Anu-iqīšanni/Ubar//KM

W6=L.e.1=655ind: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W7=B.e.4=655h: Lābāšī/Anu-bēlšunu, alphabetic scribe

W8=L.e.2=655i: Nidinti-Ištar/Arad-Ninurta

Ina ašābi=B.e.2: ¹Ramat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin, mother of Mušallim-Anu and Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Mukīn-apli

Scribe: Nazi-muruttaš/Enlil-šumu-imbi. Uruk. Šabāṭu, day 28, year 32, Antiochus and Seleucus, the kings.

U.e.: The document was written in the presence of ¹Ramat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin, mother of Mušallim-Anu and Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Mukīn-apli.

Waiver1(?)=R.e.2=655ind: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Mukīn-apli

Waiver2(?)=R.e.1=655d: Mušallim-Anu/Mukīn-apli

Proxy(?): Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Tattannu/Mukīn-apli

Beneficiary(?): Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZGuarantor(?)=R.e.3=655b: ¹Ramat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin23 The last slanting wedge of *-ri-* is hidden by salt encrustations but the remainder is clear on the tablet.

Commentary. Only the reverse of the tablet, probably recording a quitclaim for an *āšipūtu* prebend, is preserved.

Four individuals belonging to the same family appear in the document: Mušallim-Anu and Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the sons of Mukīn-apli; their mother, Ramat-lštar; and another individual named Anu-balāssu-iqbi, son of Tattannu, the grandson of Mukīn-apli. It is plausible that at the time Mukīn-apli died the prebend was divided between his heirs, i.e. the two sons of Mukīn-apli (Mušallim-Anu, Anu-balāssu-iqbi/1 and Tattannu) and that one of the shares had come into the hands of the son of Tattannu at the time of Tattannu's death. Anu-balāssu-iqbi/2, son of Tattannu, might have sold it to Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ. The actual quitclaim would thus have been drawn up in order to make sure that no future claim be raised by the sons of Mukīn-apli, uncles of Anu-balāssu-iqbi, with regard to the share that he inherited by his father Tattannu and has now sold to a new owner, Anu-bēlšunu. Apparently, Mušallim-Anu and Anu-balāssu-iqbi are not yet of age at the time the contract is drawn up, since their mother acts alongside them. We have not much evidence for the sons of Mukīn-apli in the corpus; it is however interesting to note that a Rihat-Anu, son of a Mukīn-apli, a shepherd of the steppe, is mentioned as witness (W9) in **No. 4-P**, a contract that, as is clear from the following, has many point of contacts with the present document: was Rihat-Anu another member of the same family?

Rev. 5': On the occurrences of Šullum(u)/Širki-Anu//SLU (W1) and Šullum/Širki-Anu (no clan name) in the corpus, see the commentary to **No. 4-P** (W2=Rev. 16).²⁴ As was noted above, these individual(s) used different seals in the contracts they witnessed. However, it is interesting to note that in YOS 20 15, the only document recording Šullum/Širki-Anu as scribe, Nazi-muruttaš appears among the witnesses. It seems thus likely that at least the Šullum/Širki-Anu of YOS 20 15 is the same individual that is mentioned here as witness to a contract written by Nazi-muruttaš.

Rev. 9': Anu-iqīšanni/Ubar//KM (W5) is likely the son of Ubar (W3) of **No. 4-P**. It is interesting that members of the Kidin-Marduk family, a clan with clear northern Babylonian origins, act in a document written by a non-Urukean scribe.

Rev. 11': Lābāši/Anu-bēlšunu, the *sepīru* is also attested in OECT 9 4: 8 (with the full title including *nīg.ga* ⁶⁰, indicating that he acted in this capacity for the temple). His brother (who is attested, e.g., as a witness in **No. 4-P**), exercised the same profession. A Nidinti-lštar son of Arad-Ninurta (W8), is also attested as a *sepīru* witnessing contracts from Hellenistic Uruk some years later.²⁵

Rev. 12': Signs for 8 and kām on the right edge.

U.e.: flowing onto the R.e.

Writing from Rev. 2', 11', 12' (= date formula) spills onto the R.e.

Rev. 12': Nazi-muruttaš, the scribe of the present contract, either wrote or witnessed a number of documents from Hellenistic Uruk (plus one from Antioch on the Istar Canal). All of them have a member of the Lābāši family as a principal; the only exception might be represented by the actual tablet. He was probably an immigrant from Nippur.²⁶

It is worth noting that he is one of the two scribes in Uruk who uses the logographic spelling for the name of the prebend, instead of the more common syllabic form. One wonders whether this can be ascribed to his origins.²⁷

The beneficiary of the transaction, Anu-bēlšunu/AAl//EZ, is also mentioned in **Nos. 20-P** and **40-P**, where he sells fractions of the *āšipūtu* prebend to L/AZl//EZ. All together these documents form a small dossier concerning this type of prebend.²⁸

24 The two sons of Širki-Anu//SLU are also known to us, as discussed above; see commentary to **No. 5-P** (again a contract concerning an *āšipūtu* prebend).

25 As shown by **No. 25-P**, below. It is plausible that we have evidence here of the earliest generation of the scribes that Clancier (2005, p. 100) identified as members of the Nidinti-lštar family. The professional title is not attached to the name of Nidinti-lštar in **No. 7-P**, while it is in **No. 25-P**. If the two are the same individual (their seals do not precisely correspond to each other, but are nevertheless similar), we might expect Nidinti-lštar to have achieved the position of *sepīru* some time between SE 32 SE and SE 46-51.

26 On the origins and the documents written by Nazi-muruttaš see above, §8.4.

27 A logographic spelling for the name of the exorcist prebend is also attested in **No. 66-P**: see below and Corò 2005, p. 82. The scribe of this second document is however a member of the urban notability of Uruk.

28 On this dossier see above, § 6.1.2.

No. 8-P. Plate VIII

Museum no.: BM 30118+K.11800 (1856-9-3, 1514+Kouyunjik)

Size: 9.5×11.6×2.4 (M/L)

Format: type 1a, split⁷

Place: Uruk

Date: SE 33.X.[x], Antiochus I and Seleucus

Date BC: BC 279.XII.30-278.I.29

Bibliography: HANE/M 8, pp. 199-201; Doty CAHU, pp. 416-18. Krückmann 1931; Rawlinson 1856, p. xiv. Might correspond to Loftus 5. Pearce, HBTIN, P342283 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #671.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

- Obv. [ʔad⁷-din⁷.^ddil.bat] dumu.munus šá ʔa-ba-ši a ʔkur-i¹(ia) ina [hu-ud lib-bi-šú]
[mi-šil ina 1-en] u₄-mu ina ud.9.<kám> ud.10.ʔkám⁷ ud.11.kám ud.[12.kám ud.13.kám]
[giš.šub.ba]-šú¹⁰gìr.sig-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ [^dinanna ^dgašan edin ^dna-na-a]
[^dgašan šá] re-eš u dingir.ʔmeš⁷ é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-[us-su kal mu.an.na]
- (5) [gu-u]q-qa-né-e u ud.èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi [šá a-na mi-šil ina]
[1-e]n u₄-mu ina ud.meš mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ʔki¹ ʔ[...]
[... dumu šá] ʔni-din-tu₄-^d60 a ʔšeš-u-ú-tú ʔki-din-^d60 dumu šá ʔ[...]
[ʔ]^d60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ʔú⁷ ki¹(ÍB) ʔ<ʔ>tat-tan⁷-[nu(?) ...]
[gab-b]i a-na 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar is-[ta-tir]-ri.ʔmeš ʔšá¹[...]
- (10) [bab-ba-nu]-ú-t[ú] ʔa-na šám⁷ [til].meš a-na ʔa-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu⁷
[a ʔé-kur-za-ki]r a-na u₄-mu ʔša-a-tu₄ tat-ta-din-u⁷ kù.ʔbabbar a₄ 1/3 ma.na
[is-ta-t]ir-ri.meš šám m[is-šil] ina 1-en u₄-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš
ʔad -[d]in-^ddil.bat dumu.munus šá ʔa-ba-ši ina šu-ii ʔa-ba-ši dumu šá
^{1d}[60]-numun-mu ma-hir-rat e-ṭir-at u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na
(15) ʔmuh-hi⁷ mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.ʔ9. kám ud.10.kám ud.11.kám ud.12.kám ud.13.kám
[giš].šub.ba ¹⁰gìr.sig-ú-tú mu.meš ʔit-tab-šu-ú ʔad-din-^ddil.bat
- Rev. [dumu.munus šá ʔa-ba-ši] ʔtu⁷-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ʔa-ba-ši
[a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú tat-ta-din mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-m]u ina ud.9.kám ud.10.kám ud.11.kám ud.12.kám
[ud.13.kám giš.šub.ba] ¹⁰gìr.sig-ú-tú mu.meš šá ʔa-ba-ši dumu šá
(20) [^{1d}60-numun-mu] ʔa ʔé-kur-za-ki⁷ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ šú-nu-<šú>
[¹⁰mu-kin₇]
[...]-ši u ʔki-din dumu.meš šá ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú a ʔé-kur-za-ki⁷
[...]-du-a a ʔkur-i ^{1d}60-du-a dumu šá ʔnumun-ia a ʔšu-^d60
[... ^{1d}60]-dumu-mu-nu dumu.meš šá ¹ki-din-^d60 a ʔé-kur-za-ki⁷
(25) [...] dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-mu-kám a ʔšeš-ʔu-ú-ʔ[¹⁰tú]
[...] x dumu šá ^{1d}60-gi a ʔlu-uš-tam-ʔmar-^diškur⁷ ʔú-bar dumu šá ʔkar-^d60
[...] ʔri-hat-^dinanna dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ʔé-kur-za-ki⁷ ^{1d}60-du-a
[...]x-^d60 a ʔé-kur-za-ki⁷ ʔgal-^d60 ʔdumu šá ʔdum-qí-^d60
[...]dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ʔé-kur-za-[ki⁷]
- (blank)
- (D.f.) [... ¹⁰šú]d dumu šá ʔni-din-tu₄-^d60 ʔa ʔšu-^d60 unug^{ki} it¹⁰ab
[ud.x.kám mu.3]3.kám ʔan-ti-ʔi⁷[ku]-su u ʔsi-ʔlu-ku⁷ lugal.meš
- L.e. [...] traces
- R.e. un-[qa] ʔad-din-^ddil.bat dumu.munus šá ʔa-ba-ši na-din-at ʔgiš.šub⁷.ba m[u.meš]
- B.e. [un]-qa [...] / un-qa [ʔk]i-din / ʔun⁷-[qa] ʔú-bar / [un-qa] ʔgal-^d60
- U.e. [un]-qa [ʔri-hat-^dina]nna / [u]n-qa ^{1d}60-du-a / un-qa ʔki-din-^d60 / ʔun⁷-qa [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ) + women

Witnesses:

W1=?=??: [...]š/Ša-Anu-iššú//EZ

W2=B.e.2=671d: Kidin/Ša-Anu-iššú//EZ

W3=?=??: .../(Anu⁷)-mukîn-apli//Kuri

W4=U.e.2⁷=671b⁷: Anu-mukîn-apli/Zēriya//GA

W5=?=??: [...]Kidin-Anu//EZ

W6=?=??: Anu-māru-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

W7=?=??: .../Ištar-šumu-ēreš//Ah

W8=?=??: .../Anu-ušallim//LA

W9=B.e.3=671c: Ubar/Mušežib-Anu//....

W10=U.e.1=671a: Rihat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin//EZ

W11=U.e.2⁷=671b⁷: Anu-mukîn-apli/...Anu//EZ

W12=B.e.4=671fh: Rabi-Anu/Dumqi-Anu//...
 W13=?=??: .../Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Seller=Clearer=R.e.=671lost: ʿTaddin-lštar/Lâbâši//Kuri
 Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ
 Co-owner1: .../Nidinti-Anu//Ah
 Co-owner2: Kidin-Anu//...
 Co-owner3: Anu-ahhe-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur
 Co-owner4(?): Tattannu(?)

Commentary. BM 30118 was joined to the fragment K.11800 by R. Borger and CBF Walker in 1999. A complete and updated edition is therefore presented here.²⁹

The tablet is dated to the co-regency of Antiochus and his son Seleucus: it can therefore be ascribed either to SE 32-45 (Antiochus I and his son) or to years SE 123-124 SE (Antiochus III and his son). On prosopographical grounds the first option seems preferable (*pace* Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 205). The buyer is, in fact, here the well-known L/AZI//EZ, whose activities are so far documented between SE 38 and 77. The year number in the date formula is broken: only a 3 is preserved (as to April 2015 only a 2 was visible; earlier collations and photographs still showed a 3); the text might be, therefore, dated to either year 33 or 43 SE (as already suggested by Doty, CAHU, 198). Lâbâši buys the prebend from a woman, ʿTaddin-lštar, who is identified as the daughter of another Lâbâši, belonging to the Kurî clan; ʿTaddin-lštar is also mentioned as the buyer of a prebend in **Nos. 10-P//11-P**, a contract (and its duplicate) dated to SE 37, where she appears as the wife of Anu-bēlšunu/Mukîn-apli//Kurî (the seller in that contract). Since no husband's name is recorded for ʿTaddin-lštar in **No. 8-P**, we must expect it to be earlier than **Nos. 10-P//11-P**, and we can therefore safely assign it to SE 33.

On the likely correspondence of this tablet with Loftus 5 see above, § 1.1.

B.e.2=671d: probably an *apkallu*?

R.e.: script on this edge is upside down.

²⁹ I am indebted to the Late prof. Borger and to C. Walker ((personal communication) for drawing my attention to the results of their join. The information from the join and collations to HANE/M 8, p. 199-122 by L. Pearce are included in the on-line edition of the text in HBTIN (<http://oracc.museum.upenn.edu/hbtin/pager>; last accessed December 15, 2017). But note my different reading of Obv. 7 and the new hypothesis on the date of the document.

No. 9-P. Plate IX

Museum no.: BM 109956 (1914-4-4, 22)// YOS 20 17

Size: 9.3×11.5×3.4 (M/L)

Format: type 1a/b, compact.

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 35.XI.26, Antiochus I and Seleucus; silver *qalû*, staters of Alexander g.q.

Date BC: 276.III.3

Bibl.: Doty 2012, pl. xxxiii-xxxiv; Monerie 2014, p. 59, fn. 75 (on staters)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #659³⁰Description (type of transaction): sale of *ērib bītūtu* of Anu prebend

- Obv. ¹li-šir [^{1d}60-gi u^{1d}60-šeš.meš]-mu dumu.meš šá ¹r numun'-[ia dumu šá] ^{1d}60-¹gi¹
a ¹šu-60 ina hu-[ud lib-bi-šú-nu re-bu]-ú ina ud.21.k[ám giš].šub.ba-šú-nu ^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú
igi ^{1d}60 an-tu₄ ^{1d}inanna [^{1d}be-lit]-¹edin' u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá [it]i-us-su kal mu.an.na
(5) gu-uq-qa-¹ne-e' [ud še]-¹šá-an-nu u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na r[e-b]u-ú ina ud.21.kám [a-na]
giš.šub.ba [^{1d}ku₄] ¹é-ú-tú mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ¹ki-din-^{1d}60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši
a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na 1 ma.na 6 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir'-ra-[nu šá ¹a-lik-sa]-¹an-d'¹ar
bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na'-[a-mu a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu]
a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-tan-nu-' ¹kù.babbar a₄' 1 ma.na 6' [gín qa-lu-ú]
(10) is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹a-lik-sa-an-dar bab-ba-nu-ú-tú' [šám] re-bu-ú ina ud.2'1.kám [giš.šub].ba-šú-nu
^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš til.meš ¹li-šir' ^{1d}60-gi u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹numun-ia
ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu mah-'ru-' e-tir-' u₄-mu pa-qa-ri
ana muh-hi re-bu-ú ina ud.21.kám giš.šub.ba [^{1d}ku₄] é-ú-tú mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú
¹li-šir ^{1d}60-gi u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu giš.šub.ba mu.meš a-di 12-ta.àm
ú-mar-ra-qa-ma a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu i-nam-din-'
(15) pu-ut mu-ur-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba ^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš a-na ^{1d}60-numun-[m]u
Rev. ¹li-giš dumu šá ¹numun-ia u ¹gašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ama šá ^{1d}60-g[i]
u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú re-bu-ú ina ud.21.kám giš.šub.ba
^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir
a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú- nu
(20) ^{1d}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^{1d}60 a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a a ¹šu-^{1d}60
¹ni-din-tu₄-^{1d}60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-du-a dumu šá ¹li-giš a ¹šu-^{1d}60
^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^{1d}60 a ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-
^{1d}iškur
¹tat-tan-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹ana-gal-^{1d}60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹hun-zu-ú
^{1d}60-mu-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú
(25) ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ^{1d}60-numun-mu u ^{1d}60-ad-¹gur dumu.meš šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^{1d}iškur
(3 signs erased)
(1 blank line)
¹na-zi-muru₄-taš ^{1d}umbisag dumu [šá ¹en.líl-mu-s]a₄ unug^{ki} ^{1d}zíz ud.2'6'.[kám]
mu.35.kám ¹at'-[ti-'-i-ku-su u ¹se-l]u-ku lugal.me[š]
- L.e. un-qa [t]at-tan-nu un-qa ¹ana-gal-^{1d}60 un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
R.e. [un-qa] ¹li-šir un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš [na-din.meš g]iš.šub.ba mu.meš [dumu.m]eš ša ¹numun-ia un-qa ^{1d}60-gi un-
qa ¹gašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ama šá ^{1d}60-gi u ^{1d}60.šeš.meš-mu
B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni un-qa ^{1d}60-du-a un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^{1d}60
U.e.³¹ [un]-qa ^{1d}[60-ad-gur] ¹un'-[qa ^{1d}60-ad-šeš] [un-qa] ^{1d}60-mu-giš [un-qa] ^{1d}60-ad-¹[šeš un-qa ¹ ^{1d}60-ad-šeš]

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/NI/AZI//EZ)?

Translation. Lîšir, Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Zēriya/Anu-mušallim//GAvoluntarily sold to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ 1/3 in day 21, their *ērib bītūtu* prebend in front of Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *eššešu* offerings and whatever pertains to 1/3 in day 21, (to) that *ērib bītūtu* prebend, which is (co-owned) with Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ, for 1 m and 6 š of pure silver, in staters of Alexander, of g.q.; silver: 1 m and 6 š, pure, staters of Alexander of g.q., full price of 1/3 in day 21, their *ērib bītūtu* prebend, Lîšir, Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Zēriya

30 Note the following correspondences with the duplicate YOS 20 17: 659a=AUWE 19, no. 104; 659b=AUWE, no. 191; 659c=AUWE 19, no. 209; 659d=AUWE 19, no. 624; 659e=AUWE 19, no. 336; 659f=AUWE 19, no. 786; 659g=AUWE 19, no. 761; 659h=AUWE 19, no. 760; 659i=AUWE 19, no. 815; 659j=AUWE 19, no. 927; 659k=AUWE 19, no. 622; 659l=AUWE 19, no. 431; 659m=AUWE 19, no. 623; 659n=AUWE 19, no. 457; 659o=AUWE 19, no. 250; 659p=AUWE 19, no. 1067; 659q=AUWE 19, no. 928.

31 All the preserved sealings appear to be in the same position in the two tablets. Missing names and sealings in this edge are therefore reconstructed on the basis of the duplicate.

received from the hands of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin. They are paid. Should a claim arise concerning 1/3 in day 21, that *ērib bītūtu* prebend, Līšir, Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Zēriya will clear this prebend (from claims) 12-fold and will give (it) to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin. Līšir/Zēriya and 'Bēlessunu/Nanāya-iddin, mother of Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin bear responsibility for the clearing from claims of this *ērib bītūtu* prebend, in perpetuity, on behalf of Anu-zēru-iddin. 1/3 in day 21, that *ērib bītūtu* prebend, belongs to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=659h: Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K
 W2=U.e.4²=659j²: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-mukīn-apli/GA
 W3=B.e.4=659i: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//K
 W4= B.e.2=659f: Anu-mukīn-apli/Līšir//GA
 W5= L.e.4=659g: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W6=U.e.7=659?: Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//LA
 W7=L.e.1=659d: Tattannu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H
 W8=L.e.2=659n: Ana-rabūti-Anu/Anu-zēru-lišir//H
 W9=U.e.3=659o: Anu-šumu-lišir/Anu-abu-ušur//H
 W10= B.e.3=659m: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-ahu-iddin//H
 W11=U.e.7=659?: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin//LA
 W12=L.e.3=659c: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//LA
 W13=U.e.1=659e: Anu-abu-uṭēr/Nanāya-iddin//LA

Scribe: Nazi-muruttaš/Enlil-šumu-ibni. Uruk. Šabātu, day 26, year 35, Antiochos and Seleucus, the kings.

Seller1=Clearer1=Guarantor1=R.e.1=659q: Līšir/Zēriya/Anu-ušallim//GA
 Seller2=Clearer2=R.e.3=659a: Anu-ušallim/Zēriya/Anu-mušallim//GA
 Seller3=Clearer3=R.e.2=659b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Zēriya/Anu-ušallim//GA
 Co-owner: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ
 Guarantor2=R.e.4=659l: 'Bēlessunu/Nanāya-iddin, mother of Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin
 Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The contract records the sale of a prebend of temple-enterer of Anu to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ by the three sons of Zēriya/Anu-ušallim//Gimil-Anu. Two of them (Anu-ušallim and Anu-ahhē-iddin) are not yet of age as is clear from the fact that their mother 'Bēlessunu acts in the document as a guarantor for them, alongside the eldest brother (Līšir). It is plausible that the three brothers inherited the prebend upon their father's death: in fact, 'Bēlessunu's onomastic chain lacks the husband's name. Curiously 'Bēlessunu is described as the daughter of Nanāya-iddin (no family name is added in her case), as is the case for the buyer. Are the two are brother and sister and was the prebend that is the object of the transaction and was originally part of 'Bēlessunu's dowry, now coming back to her paternal family as a consequence of her husband's death?

Obv. 1, Līšir: the spelling *'li-šir* (instead of the more common *'li-giš*) is used both here and in the duplicate (**No. 9-P**: 1; 13; R.e.1 and YOS 20 17: 1; 11). It appears as *'li-giš* in **No. 9-P**: 16 (unparalleled in the duplicate, where a shorter version of the same formula, lacking the personal names, is used: see below, *ad* Obv. 15); in **No. 9-P**: 22//YOS 20 17: 20 (as a patronymic in the witness list) and on the right edge of YOS 20 17.

Obv. 3: The syllabic spelling of the name of Bēlet-šēri, while rare, seems to be preferable here, both because it is used in the duplicate and due to the length of the lacuna.

Obv. 4, [ud še]-šá'-an-nu: the variant ud èš.èš.meš is used in YOS 20 17: 4; *is-ta-tir'-ra-[nu]*: the use of this spelling instead of *is-ta-tir-(ri).meš* for the word 'staters' is attested in northern Babylonian sources since at least 314-313 BC; however, as Monerie correctly underlines, YOS 20 17//**No. 9-P** is the first example of its use in southern Babylonia.³² It may not be by chance that the tablet is the work of Nazi-muruttaš, a 'foreign' scribe in Uruk.

Obv. 7, ^{id}na-na'-[a-mu a šá ^{id}60-numun-mu]: restored on the basis of YOS 20 17: 8.

Obv. 11, *mah-'ru'-e-tir-'u₄-mu pa-qa-ri*: also to be restored in YOS 20 17: 12.³³

Obv. 15: the scribe uses here the complete formula, including the names of all the guarantors; a shorter variant is attested in the duplicate, that runs: *pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba mu.meš a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú* (YOS 20 17: 16). It is plausible that Bēlessunu's name, not recorded in this line in the Yale tablet, appeared in the preceding (broken) section.

Rev. 20, ^{id}60-ad-šēš: traces of a mistaken sign (maybe a GUR?) visible under ŠEŠ.

(3 signs erased): maybe the seal of 'Bēlessunu was originally thought to be here and was then erased because it found place on the R.e.?

Date formula: On Nazi-muruttaš as a scribe see commentary to **No. 7-P**.

U.e.4 (W2): the same individual witnesses also **No. 64-P**; 659e=AUWE 19, no. 927, probably corresponding to 773i? (see below, **No. 64-P**). Identification tentative.

32 Monerie 2014, p. 59, fn. 75.

33 Corrects the transliteration of YOS 20 17: 12 as published in HBTIN. See <http://oracc.museum.upenn.edu/hbtin/corpus>; last accessed December 2017)

No. 10-P. Plate X

Museum no.: BM 109954//BM 109985 (1914-4-4, 20)

Size: 8.6×9.5×2.3 (S)

Format: type 1a, compact (WL indented)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 37.VIII.11, Antiochus I and Seleucus; silver *qalû*, staters of Alexander g.q.

Date BC: 275.XI.27

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 220-222; Boiy 2011; Pearce, HBTIN, P342286 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #661

Description (type of transaction): sale of *mubannûtu* prebend

Dossier. Women+foreign scribes

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.2=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

W2=B.e.1=lost: Anu-mukîn-apli/Ina-qibîr-Anu//EZ

W3=U.e.3=661d: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-ittannu//EZ

W4=L.e.1=lost: Rihat-lštar/Anu-ahu-iddin//EZ

W5=U.e.2=661e: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W6=U.e.1=b: Anu-uballit/Anu-ikšur//Imbi-Anu

W7=U.e.4=661c: Šibqat-Bêl/Rihat-Bêl

W8=?=? : Anu-ahu-ittannu/ Anu-bêlšunu, scribe of the Property of Anu

W9=?=? : Ina-qibîr-Anu/Mannu-ki-lštar

Scribe: Bêl-êreš/Nabû-našir

Seller=R.e.=661a: Anu-bêlšunu/Mukîn-apli//K

Buyer: †Taddin-lštar/Lâbâši//K W Anu-bêlšunu/Mukîn-apli//K

co-owner1: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ah

co-owner2: Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur

co-owner3: Anu-ahhê-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur

co-owner4: Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-balāssu-iqbi

co-owner5: Šibqat-Bêl

Commentary. The text is edited in Corò 2005, pp. 220-222. See HBTIN for collations.

The tablet (and its duplicate) is the work of Bêl-êreš/Nabû-našir, a scribe of Babylonian origins ('son of Babylon'), as Boiy has shown on the basis of his occurring as a witness in the YOS 20 20: 18,³⁴ a tablet drafted a few years later in Antiochia on the lštar Canal, by another non-Urukian scribe, i.e. the Nippurite Nazi-muruttaš (see above, commentary to **No. 4-P**), who curiously is among the witnesses of **No. 10-P//11-P**.

The fact that Bêl-êreš is of Babylonian origins (thus probably also educated in Babylon) might explain a few peculiarities of **Nos. 10-P//11-P**. First, the unusual orientation of the right edge of the two tablets. The writing on it is, in fact, not arranged along the edge, parallel to the long axis, as is typical of Seleucid tablets from Uruk; rather, it develops parallel to its short axis, as is usual in contemporary tablets from Babylon (see above, § 8.4., Fig. 14). Second, the choice for the name of the prebend that is the object of the transaction (*mubannûtu*, i.e. the prebendary service of the arranger of the sacrificial table), one that, with the exception of **Nos. 10-P//11-P**, is otherwise unattested in Hellenistic Uruk.³⁵ The contracts refer to a share in the title for days 9 to 13, that Anu-bêlšunu sells to his wife †Taddin-lštar/Lâbâši//K. The prebend is held jointly with five more individuals: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah; Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur; Anu-ahhê-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur; Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-balāssu-iqbi and Šibqat-Bêl (maybe the son of Rihat-Bêl who acts as W7?). It is clear from **No. 8-P** that at least some of them were also the co-owners of a share in a *gerseqqûtu* prebend for exactly the same days (9-13) that †Taddin-lštar sold to Lâbâši/AZI//EZ some years earlier.³⁶ Moreover, Lâbâši/AZI//EZ bought in the course of time a number of shares in the *gerseqqûtu* prebend, for the same period. Now, since as Waerzeggers and Pirngruber noted the nature of this profession in the Neo-Babylonian and Seleucid period is unclear,³⁷ and this service does not appear to have been of a prebendary nature outside Seleucid Uruk, while the *mubannûtu* prebend is attested in Babylon, it is tempting to suggest that the two terms represented the northern and southern version respectively of the same professional title, and that with the aim of referring to the *gerseqqûtu* prebend, Bêl-êreš simply opted for the northern version of its name (*mubannûtu*), that sounded more familiar to him, than the Urukian.

W7, Šibqat-Bêl/Rihat-Bêl: the suggested reading Rihat-lštar in HBTIN must be rejected, as is clear especially from the duplicate.

34 Boiy 2011.

35 Corò 2005, pp. 110-111.

36 The co-owners in **No. 8-P** are: .../Nidinti-Anu//Ah; Kidin-Anu//...; Anu-ahhê-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur; Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-balāssu-iqbi. See also above, § 6.3.2.

37 Waerzeggers, Pirngruber 2011, p. 114 and fnn. 16 and 25 (note that fn. 25 is erroneously referred to as 24 in fn. 16).

No. 11-P. Plate XI

Museum no.: BM 109985//BM 109954

Size: 7.3×8.9×2.2 (S)

Format: type 1a, compact (WL indented)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 37.VIII.11, Antiochus I and Seleucus; silver *qalû*, staters of Alexander g.q.

Date BC: 275.XI.27

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, 222-223

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #662; Pearce, HBTIN, P342287 (collations)

Description (type of transaction): sale of *mubannûtu* prebend

Dossier. Women+foreign scribes

Commentary. See **No. 10-P**. Note the following correspondences for the two single seals impressions recorded in Mitchell, Searight 2008: 662a=661c and 662b=661d.

No. 12-ALP. Plate XII

Museum no.: BM 109951 (1914-4-4, 17)

Size: 10.8×12.7×3 (L)

Format: n-a (reverse mainly lost; most likely type 1 or 2)

Date SE: lost

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #774

Description (type of transaction): ^{im}dub ganba of arable land (WENS) and prebends

- Obv. ^{im}dub.meš ganba ʾš i-in-ze-ru-[ú ina še.numun zaq-pi u ka šul-pu šá gú ^{id}ha-ri-ši u bàd]³⁸
 šá unug^{ki} gaba ká.gal ʾutuʾ namʾ unug^{ki} ús an-ú ^{im}mar.tu₄ ús.sa.đu še.numun ^{id}60-ik-šur dumu šá ^{id}60-šeš-mu-nu
 ús ki-ú ^{im}kur.ra ús.sa.đu še.numun é ^{id}gal dù-ú-tú sag.ki an.ta ^{im}si.sá da bàd šá unug^{ki} sag.ki ki.ta
^{im}u₁₈.lu x x-ši mim-ma x su-iiʾ libʾ bu-ú šá ina igi-am-ma ʾki-din-^d60 dumu šá ^{id}60-ad-šeš a ʾlu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 a-na 7 1/2 gín
- (5) [kù.babbar q]aʾ-lu-ú ina šu-ii ^{id}60-din-su-e dumu šá ʾina-qí-bit-^d60 a ʾé-kur-za-kir im-hur ^{im}dub^{meš} ganba šá re-
 bu-ú ina 1-en u₄-mu
 ʾina ud.12.kámʾ giš.šub.ba ^{id}gír.lá-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-
 <bi> šá iti-us-su šá eʾ?
 [... gu-uq-qla-an-ne-e u še-šá-nu šá ki ʾinanna-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{id}60-šeš-mu-nu u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú
 gab-bi šá ina igi-am-ma
 [... dumu šá] ^{id}60-ad-šeš a ʾlu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur a-na 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar ina šu-ii ʾki-din-^d60 dumu šá ^{id}60-
 du-a a ʾé-kur-za-kir x x
 x-[...] š i-in-ze-ru-ú ina ud.23ʾ.kám giš.šub.ba ^{id}gír.lá-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.
 meš é-šú-nu
- (10) gab-bi ʾšá iti-us-su kalʾ mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-ne-é u še-šá-nu šá ki ^{id}utu-mu u ʾla-qipʾ dumuʾ?.meš šá ʾšá-^d60-iš-
 šú-ú ʾni-din-tu₄-^d60
 u ʾina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu.meš šá ʾki-din-^d60 u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi šá ina igi-am-ʾmaʾ ʾ^rdna-naʾ-a-mu dumu
 šá ^{id}60-ad-šeš a ʾlu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 [...] kù.babbar qa-lu-u ina ʾšu-iiʾ ^{id}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ʾki-din-^d60 a ^{id}30-ti-ér im-hurʾ ^{im}dub^{meš} ganba mu.meš
 gab-bi a-din ^{im}dub^{meš}
 [...] x [giš.šub].ba ^{id}gír.<lá>-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su
 [kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qla-ne-é] u še-šá-nu šá ki ʾni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{id}utu-sur ʾkar-^d60 dumu šá ʾx-^dutu-
 numun u ʾla-qipʾ dumu.meš šá ^{id}60-x
- (15) [šá ina igi-am]ma ʾgašan-su-nu dumu.munus ʾgal-^d60 dam ^{id}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ^{id}60-ad-šeš a a ʾlu-uš-tam-mar-
^diškur a-na
 [...] ^{id}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ʾki-din-^d60 a ^{id}30-ti-ér tam-hu-ru u a-din ina ^{im}dub^{meš} ganba šá ud 11.kám
 [...] x giš.šub.ba ^{id}sur-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-
 su
 [...] -nu šá ina igi-am-ma ʾgašan-su-nu dumu.munus ʾgal-^d60 dam ^{id}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ^{id}60-ad-šeš a-na
 [...] -en-šú-nu a ʾkur-i tam-hu-ru u(?) -a-din ina ^{im}dub^{meš} ganba šá ši-iš-šú ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.23.kám
- (20) [...] ^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi [šá] iti-us-su ša kal mu.an.na
 [...] ʾkiʾʾ ^{id}utu-sur ʾla-qipʾ dumu šá ^{id}60-ba-šá-an-nu šeš.meš u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú šá ina igi-am-ma
 [...] .meš šá ^{id}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^dna-na-a-mu a ʾé-kur-za-kir ki-i x-e-ri
- Rev. [... diš [...]
 [...] ʾxʾ [...]
 (25) [...] ʾx xʾ [...] ʾx ^{id}x-xʾ [...]
 [...] ʾʾʾ-mu-nu(?) x x a ʾx x x gabʾ-bi x ʾx x xʾ [...]
 [...] ʾé]-kur-za-kir x x x [5 signs (?)] ʾx x x xʾ [...]
 [...] ʾx x x xʾ [...] x ^{id}60-ʾxʾ [...]
 [...] traces [...]
 (30) [...] traces [...] ʾx xʾ-ú-tú u ʾx x xʾ [...]
 [...] .meš u 10ʾ [...] -n]aʾ ud ša-a-tú ʾx x xʾ šá 1-en ʾxʾʾ traces [...]
 [...] .mu u ʾxʾ [...] -muʾ a ʾé-kur-za-kir a-ʾxʾ- [...]]
 [...] ʾú-ʾx-x-xʾ [...] ʾx-x-xʾ ʾʾx-xʾ- [...]] (traces)
 [...] ʾxʾ imʾ dumu šá ^{id}60-šešʾ [...]
 (35) [...] ʾxʾ u ^{id}60-šeš- [...]]
 [...]
 [...]
 [...]
 [...] ʾx x a ʾx-x-xʾ [...]

38 Restored on the basis of No. 17-AL and YOS 20 18 and 19.

- (40) [...]´mu(?) a ¹é´-kur-za-k[ir ...]
 [...] traces of approx. 3 signs [...]
 [...] traces of 2 (?) signs [...]
 rest lost
- L.e. [...] [un-qa ^{1d}60-din]-su-e [un-qa] ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 [un-qa] ¹tat-´tan-nu´
 R.e. [un-qa PN un-qa PN] dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 B.e. [...] [un-qa] ´x x x x ´ [un-qa] ¹gašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá ¹gal-^d60 ´dam´ ^{1d}60-din-iṭ [dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur]
 U.e. ´un-qa´ ¹ki-din-^d60 ´NP-[qa] ¹ba-šá-a [un-qa ...]-´x[un-qa] ´^{1d}60-´šeš-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-din-[iṭ]

Dossier. Arable land

Translation. Tablets of the price of one twelfth ... of Uruk, upper ... to the west bordering ... of the arable land (of) Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahu-ittannu; upper long side to the east, bordering ... of the arable land of the estate of the gardeners, upper short side, to the north bordering the city wall of Uruk; lower short side to the south ... which before Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA received for ... from the hands of Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ; tablets of the price of one-fourth in ... the butcher's prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, (throughout the year), the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* that are with Ištar(?)-ahhe-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu and all his brothers and co-owners, that before PN?/Anu-abu-ušur//LA (received) from the hands of Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ for 1/3 m of silver; one twelfth in day 23(?) the butcher's prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* that are with Šamaš-ittannu and Abu-?/Ša-Anu-iššû, Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Kidin-Anu and all his co-owners, that before Nanāya-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//LA received from the hands Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//SLU for ... of pure silver; all the tablets of the prices...; tablets ... butcher's prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* that are with Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir, Mušezib-Anu/...-Šamaš-iddin and Laqip(?)/... that before Bēlessunu/Rabi-Anu wife of Anu-uballit/Anu-ahu-iddin received from the hands of .../Bēlšunu//K for ...; tablets of the price of one sixth in one day in ... Ištar, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, throughout the year, ... with Šamaš-ēṭir, Laqip(?)/Anu-iqīšanni the brothers and his co-owners, that before (NP and NP)/Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ ... (remainder of tablet too fragmentary for a translation)

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.2=774c: Anu-balāssu-iqbi

W?=L.e.3=774b: Ina-qibīt-Anu

W?=L.e.4=774a: Tattannu(?)

W?=U.e.1=774e: Kidin-Anu

W?=U.e.2=774d: Iqīšaya

W?=U.e.4=lost: Anu-ahu-iddin

W?=U.e.5=lost: Anu-uballit

Scribe: lost

Arable land

Previous buyer: Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Previous seller: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ

N-neighbour: the city wall of Uruk

S-neighbour: lost

W-neighbour: Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahu-ittannu

E-neighbour: estate of the gardeners

Butcher prebend

Co-owner1: Ištar(?)-ahhe-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu

Co-owner2: all his brothers and co-owners

Previous buyer: .../Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Previous seller: Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ

Co-owner1: Šamaš-ittannu and Abu-?/Ša-Anu-iššû

Co-owner2: Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Kidin-Anu

Butcher prebend 2

Co-owner1: Šamaš-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû

Co-owner2: Abu-?/Ša-Anu-iššû

Co-owner3: Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Kidin-Anu

Co-owner4: all his co-owners

Previous buyer: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Previous seller: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//SLU

Butcher prebend 3

Co-owner1: Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir

Co-owner2: Mušeziḫ-Anu/...

Co-owner3: Šamaš-iddin/...

Co-owner4: Laqip(?)/...

Previous buyer=B.e.2: ʿBēlessunu/Rabi-Anu W Anu-uballit/Anu-ahu-iddin

Previous seller: .../Bēlišunu//K

Unknown prebend

Co-owner1: Šamaš-ēṭir/...

Co-owner2: Laqip(?) /Anu-iqīšanni

Co-owner3: the brothers and his co-owners

Previous buyer1: NP/Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

Previous buyer2: NP/Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

Commentary. See ch. 4, above.Obv. 7, *še-šá-nu*: variant spellingObv. 12, *qa-lu-u*: variant spelling with *u* instead of the more common *ú*.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008 L1-4 correspond to L.e.4-1 here.

NB: Due to the exceptional length of the tablet, in the transliteration of this text when the content of a line does not fit the page frame it continues on the following line, which is un-numbered (thus the apparent inconsistency of line numbering).

No. 13-P. Plate XIII

Museum no.: BM 105190 (1913-4-16, 22)

Size: 8.6×10.8×3.0 (M)

Format: type 1a, compact (slightly irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 38.III.12, Antiochus I and Seleucus; stators of Antiochus I, *qalû*

Date BC: 274.VI.23

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #664

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 385-387; Pearce 2010, p. 303, fn. 12. Pearce, HBTIN, P342298 (collations)

Description (type of transaction): multiple sale, *gerseqqûtu* and *ṭabihûtu* prebends

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.2=664k?: Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K

W2=L.e.4/B.e.1=: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//K

W3=U.e.1=664h: Lâbâši/Mukīn-apli//K

W4=U.e.3=664g: Anu-balassu-iqbi/Anu-abu-utēr//Ah

W5=L.e.3=664a: Anu-iqīšanni/[Širki]-Anu//SLU

W6=U.e.5=664d: Anu-uballit/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ

W7=?=: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Tattannu//EZ

W8=U.e.2.=664e: Šin-bānūnu/Tattannu//EZ

W9=L.e.1=664c: Kidin-Anu/Anu-uballit//K

W10=B.e.2=664f: Anu-ahu-utēr/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Šumāti

W11=B.e.3=664l: Anu-ikšur/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah

W12=U.e.4=664b: Nanāya-iddin/Mannu-ki-lštar//EZ

W13=B.e.4=lost :Rabi-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

W14=L.e.4/B.e.1=lost?: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

Scribe: Nazi-muruttaš/Enlil-šumu-imbi

Seller1=Clearer1=R.e.1=664j: Anu-abu-ušur=Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Seller2=Clearer2=R.e.2=664i: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Seller3=Clearer3=R.e.3=lost: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-uballit/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Guarantor: NP/Anu-uballit/Anu-abu-ušur//LA, their brother

Commentary. The tablet, that is edited in HANE/M 8, pp. 385-387, is the work of Nazi-muruttaš, who also wrote **No. 7-P** and **No. 9-P** (with its duplicate, YOS 20 17). His role as a scribe in Uruk has been extensively discussed above (see § 8.4, with bibliography and the commentary to **No. 7-P**).

Note that although the tablet format belongs to type 1a, compact, the date formula is slightly irregular, the second line partially across the upper edge. W1=?=664k?: Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K: tentative attribution on the basis of the similarities between 664k and AUWE 19, no. 760, owned by an individual of the same name who acts as witness in two documents dating to the same period as our tablet.

W5: patronym reconstructed on the basis of the identification of 664a with AUWE 19, no. 52.

No. 14-RE. Plate XIV

Museum no.: BM 105184 (1913-4-16, 16)

Size: 8.25×12.7×2.3 cm

Format: portrait, with dividing lines

Place: [Uruk]

Date SE: (lost; earlier than 54 SE); silver *qalû* (no staters mentioned)

Date BC: (earlier than 258/257)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of one half of *bītu epšu u kišubbû*; (district of the Šamaš Gate?); NSWE

(Obv.) (unknown number of lines lost)

[] 'x' 'ni'[-...]

[] sila *qāt-n[u]*[*mu-taq un.meš* kùš uš an]-'ú' ^{imsi}.sá da[... kùš] uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.[lu](5') [da] kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}[mar.tu][da] 'xx' kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{imiii} da [...][*meš-hat šá-lul-tu₄ ki-šub*]-'ba'-a' *šá* é mu.meš 10 kùš uš an-ú ^{imsi}.[sá da][*meš-hat igi*]'i²-tu₄' *šá* é mu.meš 10 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu d[*aš-kut-tu₄*]'*šá-lul*'-tu₄' *šá* é mu.meš 5 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da [*meš-hat igi-tu₄*](10') *šá* é mu.meš 5 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da *meš-hat igi-tu₄*' *šá* 'é' [mu.meš]*meš-hat re-bi-tu₄ ki-šub-ba-a'* *šá* é mu.meš 9 *mi-šil* kùš uš an-ú [^{imsi}.sá]da *aš-kut-tu₄ qab-li-tu₄*' *šá* é mu.'meš' 9 *mi-šil* kùš uš ki-ú [^{im}u₁₈.lu]da *meš-hat igi-tu₄*' *šá* é mu.meš 6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da [*meš-hat*]*mah-ri-tu₄*' *šá* é mu.meš 6 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da *meš-hat igi-tu₄*'(15') *šá* é mu.meš šu.nigin 4-ta *meš-hat mi-ših*'-tu₄' é mu.meš é mu.meš *i-ši u ma'-a-du*³⁹*ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi šá* 'bu-ít' dumu.munus *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu *a-hi ina* é u *ki-šub-ba-a'*' (traces of 3 more signs?)*ki-i* 15 gín kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú* 'ni-din-tu₄' dumu.munus *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš *dam-su šá*^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir *a-na a-hi ina* é u *ki-šub-ba-a'*'(20') *ki* 'bu-u-i-tu₄' dumu.munus *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu *ki.lam tam-be-e-ma i-šam šám* [*gam-ri*]*a-hi ina* é u *ki-šub-ba-šú* mu.meš ù 4-tú kù.babbar *a-tar tad-din-su* šu.nigin15 gín 4-tú kù.babbar *a-di* 4-tú kù.babbar *šá a-di ka-sap?* *a-tar sum-na* kù.babbar'*a₄*''15' gín 4-tú *qa-lu-ú šám a-hi ina* é 'ù' *ki-šub-bi-šú* mu.meš'x' [?]*gab-bi?*' 'bu-ít' dumu.munus *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu *ina* šu-ii 'ni-din-tu₄' dumu.munus *šá*(Rev.) [^{1d}60-ad-šeš da]m-su *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}na-na-a-mu *mah-rat a-p*[il?][ru-gu]m-ma-' ul *i-ši ul i-tur-ru-ma a-ha-meš ul i-rag-gu-m*[u ...][x x] 'x' *ma*-nam-ma[?] 'x x x x x' *a-hi ina* é ep-šú u *ki-šub-ba-šú* [...][i-rag]-'gu-mu um'-ma *a-hi ina* é u *ki-šub-bi-šú* mu.meš 'ul' [*na-din* kù.babbar][ul *ma-hi-ir*] ^{1d}pa-qir-a-nu kù.babbar *im*'hu-ru' [...][...] 'x x' šu-ii[?] 'x x x x' [...](30') [...'ni]-din-tu₄' dumu.munus *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš [...]'ina *ka-nak*'-ku [^{1m}dub mu.meš][ig]i²'¹tat-tan-nu'(?)dumu *šá* 'x-x'[xx]a ¹é -[kur-za-kir](35') [¹šá]-^{1d}60-iš-šu-ú'dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-'x-x'[xx]a ¹é-kur-za-[kir]¹ba-la-ṭudumu *šá* 'x-x-x'[xx]a ¹é-kur-za-kir¹la-ba-šidumu *šá* 'x-x-x'[xx]'¹é-kur-za-kir'^{1d}60-šeš-mu u ^{1d}60-din-su''dumu.meš'[*šá* 'ri']-hat-^{1d}inannaa ¹é-kur-za-kir[^{1d}60]-din'-su-edumu *šá* [...]a ^{1d}30-ti-ér

[...] 'x-x'

dumu *šá* '[...]-^{1d}60a ¹é-kur-za-kir

(40')

[...]

[...] x x

a ¹é-kur-za-kir

[...]

[...] -en-šú-nu

a ¹é-kur-za-kir

[...]

[...] -meš[?]-mu[?]a [¹hun-zu]-ú

[...]

[...] -^{1d}60[?]-x-x'a ¹kur-i

39 Apparently visible at the time of Kennedy's transliteration of the text.

(45') [...]x-šá-x^d60(?) (apparently blank)
 D.f. [...]

L.e. [un-qa ¹tat]-tan-nu [un-qa] ¹la-ba-ši 'un'-[qa] ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-'ši'

R.e. [']bu'-ít [...] un-qa ^{1r}nu[?].té[š[?]] [...]

B.e. 'un-qa' [x x x]^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-[en]-šú-nu

U.e. lost

Translation. ... narrow street, alley of the people ...; x cubits the upper long side to the north, adjoining ...; x cubits, the lower long side to the S (adjoining) ... x² cubits the upper short side to the west, adjoining ...; x cubits the lower short side to the E adjoining ... — third measurement of the undeveloped plot of that house; 10 cubits the upper long side to the north, adjoining the previous measurement of that house; 10 cubits, the lower long side to the S adjoining the third *aškuttu* of that house; 5 cubits the upper short side to the west, adjoining the previous measurement of that house; 5 cubits the lower short side to the east, adjoining the previous measurement of that house; — fourth measurement (of) the undeveloped plot of that house: 9 and a half cubits, the upper long side to the north, adjoining the central *aškuttu* of that house; 9 and a half cubits, the lower long side to the south, adjoining the previous measurement of that house, 6 cubits the upper short side to the west, adjoining the previous measurement of that house, 6 cubits, the lower short side to the east, adjoining the previous measurement of that house. Total: 4 plots, measurement of that house; that house, as little and as much as it is, all of it, (is) of 'Bu'ītu/Anu-bēlšunu, one half of the house and undeveloped lot. — 'Nidintu/Anu-abu-ušur, the wife of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ declared 15 š of pure silver as the full price of one half of the house and undeveloped lot and has bought it from 'Bu'ītu/Anu-bēlšunu. The full price of one half in that house and its undeveloped lot and 1/4 š of silver that she gave as additional amount; total: 15 š and 1/4 š, of silver, including the 1/4 š of silver that is given on top of the silver, as an additional amount. The silver: 15 š and 1/4 š, pure, full price of one half of that house and undeveloped plot of his, 'Bu'ītu/Anu-bēlšunu received it from the hands of 'Nidintu/Anu-abu-ušur, wife of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ. It is paid. There will be no claim, they will not return (to court), they shall have no claim with one another; whoever ... one half of that house and its undeveloped plot and raises a claim saying: 'one half of that house and its undeveloped plot has not been sold, the silver has not been received'. The claimant ... he received ... 'Nidintu/Anu-abu-ušur ...

At the sealing of this tablet:

(Before?)

W1=L.e.1: Tattannu/...//EZ

W2: Ša-Anu-iššû/...//EZ

W3: Balātu/...//EZ

W4=L.e.2: Lâbâši/...//EZ

W5=?: Anu-ahu-iddin/Rihat-lštar//EZ

W6=?: Anu-balässu/Rihat-lštar//EZ

W7=?: Anu-balässu-iqbi/...//SLU

W8=?: .../...-Anu//EZ

W9=?: .../...//EZ

W10=?: .../(Anu[?])-bēlšunu//EZ

W11=?: .../...//H

W12=?: .../...//K

W13=?: .../...-Anu

Scribe: ...

Seller=R.e.1: 'Bu'ītu/Anu-bēlšunu

Clearer(?)=R.e.2: Lâbâši(?)

Buyer: 'Nidintu/Anu-abu-ušur W Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

N-neighbour: lost

S-neighbour: lost

W-neighbour: lost

E-neighbour: lost

Dossier. Lâbâši (Lâbâši's mother; gen 3) + 'Nidinti/Anu-abu-ušur + women

Commentary. The contract features as buyer 'Nidintu/Anu-abu-ušur, the wife of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ, and mother of L/AZ1//EZ. It thus belongs to the third generation of the Lâbâši family.

'Nidintu appears also in the *donatio mortis causa* YOS 20 20 (SE 41) as the recipient of goods, among which is a share in a house, from the hands of her husband, Anu-zēru-iddin. According to the tablet 'Nidintu will enjoy, as long as she lives, one fourth of the house of

Anu-zēru-iddin and will be entitled to dwell in it; after her death, her share (including the house, a prebend and some kitchen tools) will pass into the hands of Anu-zēru-iddin's sons.⁴⁰

'Nidintu is still alive in SE 54 as it is shown by VDI 1955/4 2, where she occurs without her husband's name (the man must have died sometime in between SE 41 and 54); the contract records the purchase of a share of a built-on house and its associated empty plot in the district of the Šamaš Gate, by one of Nidintu's sons (i.e., Lâbāši) from the hands of his brother Rabi-Anu. The document is drawn up in the presence of 'Nidintu, suggesting that she bore some interest in the transaction, perhaps in connection with the disposition of the inheritance which her husband laid down in SE 41.

Interestingly, the description of the plot sold by one of the sons of 'Nidintu to the other in VDI 1955/4 2 largely corresponds to the property bought by 'Nidintu herself in **No. 14-RE**: if it were the same property, the date of VDI 1955/4 2 (SE 54) would represent a *terminus ante quem* for **No. 14-RE**. Moreover, if the property described in **No. 14-RE** also corresponded to the one referred to in YOS 20 20, it would be possible to set the date of **No. 14-RE** earlier than SE 41: the three tablets would give us an interesting insight into the family's management of their properties.

Compass points are indicated by logograms all over the tablet with the exception of Obv. 7, where ^{im}iii replaces ^{im}kur.ra.

Obv. 15': the last few signs were apparently still visible at the time of Kennedy's transliteration; they are no longer (collated November 2017).

Obv. 16', 19' and 23': seller of the property is a woman called 'Bu'itu: the name spelled 'Bu-ít (Obv. 16' and 23') could also have been interpreted as 'Pu-Nāri ('pu-íd, is the suggested reading for the same name in YOS 20 39 by Wallenfels); however, the full syllabic spelling 'bu-'u-i-tu₄ in line 19' of our text suggests that also the first two occurrences are syllabic renderings of the well attested Babylonian name Bu'itu.⁴¹

The document is formulated according to the NB formulary.⁴²

The tablet is portrait oriented (see above, § 2.2.2). Dividing lines traced on the surface characterise both the obverse and reverse (they are marked — in the translation) and are used to organise the texts into paragraphs. On the use of rulings in the tablets' layout, see above § 2.3.3.

The seals of this tablet are not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

Kennedy's transliteration available.

⁴⁰ On 'Nidintu see Doty 1977, pp. 193-197.

⁴¹ The name, spelled 'bu-'u-i-tu₄, occurs also in VS 15 20: 6, 10 and 13. See also **No. 92-RE** below.

⁴² Other examples include OECT 9 7 (+ 1930.561 unpublished?); VS 15 15+29; TCL 13 229; YOS 20 14, 86 and 90; BiMes 24 14 and 30. On the use of the NB formulary see Doty 1977, p. 69 and more recently Jursa 2005, pp. 19-22 (with reference to previous bibliography).

No. 15-AL. Plate XV

Museum no.: BM 109957A (1914-04-04, 23A)

Size: 4×11.2×5 (n-a)

Type: n-a

Date SE: lost

Date BC: lost

Bibl.: Monerie 2018, p. 303, fn. 53.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #778.

Description (type of transaction): sale of arable land, *bīt ritti*

Obv. (... number of missing lines unclear)

- (1') [...] dumu šá ¹ki-din²-^d60 ¹la-ba-ši u ¹r x x² dumu.meš šá ^{1d}[...] ¹ba-la-tu² u ¹r ki-din²-^d60 dumu.meš šá ¹tat-tan-nu ^{1d}60-din-su-e u ¹ki-din²-^d60 dumu.meš šá ¹[...] ¹ki-din² šeš.meš-šú dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-din-it² ^{1d}60-šeš.gál-ši dumu šá ¹šu-^d60 ^{1d}60-din-su-e d[umu š]á ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu.meš šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1d}[x x]-x-x² dumu šá ^{1d}60-ik-šur ¹gal-šú-^hi-ú
- (5') ¹šá-ra'-i-tu⁴ dumu.munus.meš šá ^{1d}60-šeš-gur u [^{1d}en.meš(?) š]e.numun mu.meš gab-bi a-na 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar qa-lu-ú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-nu[mun-mu dumu] ¹šá² ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú it-tan-nu-² kù.babbar a⁴ 1/3 ma.na qa-lu-ú šám ši-iš-šú ina še.numun mu.meš gab-bi ¹su-a dumu šá ¹ki-din²-^d60 ¹ki-din²-^d60 dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši ina šu-ii²
- Rev. ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu [mah-ru-² e]-^hè'-i u⁴-mu-pa-qa-ru a-na mu^h-^hi
- (10') ši-iš-šú ina še.numun mu.meš it-tab-šu-²[ú é rit-t]i níg.ga ^{1d}60 ú-mar-ra-q-qu-ú-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ina-an-din-² ši-iš-šú ina še.numun mu.meš gab-bi é rit-ti šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu² šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú

(1 blank line)

^{1d}mu-kin⁷¹tat-tan-nu² dumu šá ¹ni-din²-tu⁴-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir

- (15') [...] dumu šá
- ^{1d}
- na-na-a-mu a
- ¹
- é-kur-za-kir

(few traces of upper part of signs; then lost)

L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-it² [...]

R.e. [...]

B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-²šeš².meš-mu un-qa ¹r níg. (?)²-[...] un-qa ¹ki²-din²-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši na⁴[kišib] ¹tat-ta[n-nu]

U.e. [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/NI//EZ)

Translation. (Eribāya/Kidin-Anu and Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši... voluntarily) sold forever to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ: one sixth in their arable land (*description missing in lacuna*)... /Kidin-Anu, Lâbâši and.../..., Balātu and Kidin-Anu/Tattannu, Anu-balāssu-iqbi and Kidin-Anu/...,... (and?) Kidin/Anu-uballit, his brothers, Anu-ahu-ušabši/Gimil-Anu (and) Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibit-Anu; Anu-.../Anu-ikšur; ¹Rab-šuhi²u(?) and ¹Šarrahītu/Anu-ahu-utēr and all the co-owners (?) of this arable land, for 1/3 m of pure silver, as its full price. Silver: 1/3 m, pure, full price of one sixth in this arable land, Eribāya/Kidin-Anu and Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši received from the hands of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin; they are paid. Should a claim arise concerning one sixth of this arable land, *bīt ritti makkūr Anu*, (they?) will clear it and 12-fold will give to Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin. One sixth of this arable land is the *bīt ritti* of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.5(?)=lost: Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu//EZW2=?=lost: [...]/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=B.e.1=778e: Anu-ahu-ittannu/[...]

W?=B.e.2=778c: Nidinti²-[...]

W?=B.e.3=778b: Kidin-Anu/[...]

W?=B.e.4=778a: Anu-ahu-ušabši/[...]

W?=L.e.1=778d: Anu-uballit/[...]

Scribe: lost

Seller1=clearer²: Eribāya/Kidin-AnuSeller2=clearer²: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši

Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ

(His) brother1: ... /Kidin-Anu

Brother2+3: Lâbâši and .../...

Brother4+5: Balātu and Kidin-Anu/Tattannu

Brother6: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/...
 Brother7: Kidin-Anu/...
 Co-owner1: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Gimil-Anu
 Co-owner2: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu
 Co-owner3: Anu-.../Anu-ikšur
 Co-owner4: 'Rab-šuhi'u(?) /Anu-ahu-utēr
 Co-owner5: 'Šarrahītu/Anu-ahu-utēr

Commentary. The document has arable land as an object. Despite the fragmentary condition of the tablet, it is possible to notice a number of similarities with **No. 16-AL**: the buyer is in both cases Lābāši's father (Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ) and also one of the sellers of **No. 15-AL** (namely, Kidin-Anu/Lābāši) is the same as the seller of **No. 16-AL**. Moreover, an Eribāya is mentioned in **No. 16-AL** among the co-owners of the share of arable land sold there; it is plausible that he is the same individual acting as seller in **No. 15-AL** alongside Kidin-Anu. The description of the field is lost in **No. 15-AL** but it seems likely that the property is either the same as that recorded in **No. 16-AL** or is located in its vicinity.

A number of prosopographical connections may be established between **No. 15-AL** and YOS 20 18. It is plausible that the Balātu/Tattannu who is mentioned in **No. 15-AL** among the co-owners of the arable land sold in the document is the father of Anu-ahhe-iddin/Balaātu/Tattannu//EZ who sells the arable land recorded in YOS 20 18 to Lābāši, i.e. the son of the buyer of **No. 15-AL**; the Anu-uballit/Kidin of YOS 20 18: 4 is likely the son of the Kidin/Anu-uballit mentioned in **No. 15-AL**: 4' and it is tempting to suggest that the Anu-.../Anu-ikšur who appears in Obv. 4' is Anu-ahu-ittannu, the father of Anu-ikšur, occurring in YOS 20 18: 8. If all these identifications hold true, it is clear that **No. 15-AL** is earlier than **No. 16-AL** and refers to the generation of the fathers of the individuals occurring in YOS 20 18. On the importance of **No. 15-AL** in the context of the dossier concerning the arable land see above § 4.

No. 16-AL. Plate XVI

Museum no.: BM 109952 (1914-4-4, 18)

Size: 7.6×7.9×2.1 (S)

Format: Type 2a, compact

Date SE: lost

Date BC: lost

Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2018, p. 301, fn. 45

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #775

Description (type of transaction): sale of arable land planted and cultivated. WENS. No measurements. Variant formulary

- Obv. ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši a ¹é-[kur-za-kir]
 ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú še.numun.meš-šú zaq-pi u ka [šul-pu]
 šá gú šá ¹ha-ri-ši u bàd šá unug^{ki} [uš an-ú]
^{im}mar.tu ús.sa.du še.numun é lugal-dù-ú-tú ¹é ¹-[... dumu]
- (5) šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 u šeš.meš-šú dumu.meš šá ¹d60-din-su-e uš [ki-ú]
^{im}kur.ra ús.sa.du še.numun šá ¹du-a dumu šá ¹d60-en-šú-[nu]
 sag.ki an.ta ^{im}si.sá da bàd šá unug^{ki} sag.ki ki.[ta ^{im}u₁₈.lu]
 ús.sa.du še.numun šá ¹la-ba-ši u šeš.meš-šú dumu.meš šá ¹r^d[60-numun-mu?]
 šu.nigin uš.meš u sag.ki.meš mi-ših-tu 4 š[e.numun.meš mu.meš]
- (10) [š]e.numun mu.meš i-ši ù ma-a-du ma-la ba-[šu-ú gab-bi]
 [š]i-ⁱⁿ ze-ru-ú ma-la ha.la-šú šá ina š[e.numun mu.meš]
 [šá ki (?) ¹]su-a u ¹la-ba-ši-^d60[?] u dumu[?] [...]
 [...]-^d60 dumu.meš šá ¹tat-tan-nu ana [...]
- Rev. [...]-šú dumu.meš šá ¹na-na-a-m[u]
 (15) [...]-din-su-e u šeš-šú dumu.meš šá ¹x-[...]
 [...] x-^d60 dumu šá ¹d60-x?-x? [...]
 [...] x ši-in-ze-ru-ú ina še.numun mu.[meš]
 [a-na x ma.na 2 1/2 gín kù.babb]ar qa-lu-ú a-na šám ¹til.meš ¹[a-na]
 [...] a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-[mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din]
- (20) [kù.babbar a₄... ma].na 2 1/2 gín qa-lu-ú [šám ši-in-ze-ru-ú]
 [ina še.numun mu.meš] gab-bi¹ki-din-^d60 dumu šá ¹la-[ba-ši ina šu-ii ¹d60-numun-mu]
¹dumu šá ¹na-na-a-mu ma-ḫir e-ṭi-ir u₄.mu [pa-qa-ri a-na muh-ḫi]
 ši-in-ze-ru-ú ina še.numun [mu.meš] it-tab-šu-ú [...]
 x x x a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ¹d60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹na-na-a-mu ina-an-din]
- (25) ši-in-ze-ru-ú ina še.numun mu.meš gab-bi šá ¹d60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹na-na-a-mu]
 [a-na u₄]-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú ¹mu-kin₇¹d60-x-[...]
 [...] x-x-x dumu šá ¹dⁱnanna-mu-kám (?) ¹d60-[...]-x-[...]
 [...] x dumu šá ¹d60-ad-šeš ¹d60-en-šú-nu [...][... umbi]sag dumu šá ¹d60-din-iṭ ¹a ¹r x x [...]
- L.e. [...]-šá-á(?) un-qa ¹d60-en-šú-nu [un-qa] traces
 R.e. lost
 B.e. [...] ¹d60-šeš-gál-ši [...]
 U.e. [un-q]a [...]-šú-^d60 un-q[a] ¹d60-x-x ¹[un-qa] ¹d60-[...]

Dossier. Lâbâši-ANE (Lâbâši's father) + arable land

Translation. Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši//EZ voluntarily (sold to Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin)//EZ, his fields planted (with trees) and cultivated, on the bank of the moat and the Fortress of Uruk: to the west, beside the field of the house of the *rab banûtu*, the house (of PN son) of Nidinti-Anu and his brothers, the sons of Anu-balâssu-iqbi; the lower long side, to the east, beside the arable land of Mukîn-apli/Anu-bêlšunu; the upper short side, to the north, bordering on the Fortress of Uruk; the lower short side, to the south, beside the arable land of Lâbâši and his brothers, the sons of Anu-zêru-iddin (?). In total, the long and the short sides, measurement of this arable land; this arable land, in as much as it is, all of it, i.e. one twelfth, all of his share in this arable land, that he owns jointly with (?) Eribâya(?) and Lâbâši-Anu(?) and...-Anu, the sons of Tattannu, to... the sons of Nanâya-iddin... Anu²-balâssu-iqbi and his brother, the sons of..., ...-Anu son of Anu-... one twelfth in this arable land, for 2 m and 2 1/2 š of pure silver, as its full price. Silver: 2 m and 2 1/2 š, pure, full price of one twelfth in this arable land, Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši has received from the hands of Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin; he is paid. One twelfth in all of this arable land belongs forever to Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanâya-iddin.

Witnesses:

W1=?=? Anu-.../[...]

W2=?=? .../ištâr-šūmu-ēriš(?)

W3=?=? Anu-...]

W4=?=?lost: [...]/Anu-abu-ušur

W5=L.e.2=lost: Anu-bêlšunu/...

W?=B.e.1=775a: Anu-ahu-ušabši
 W?=L.e.1=lost: ...šaya
 W?=U.e.1=lost: ...šu-Anu
 W?=U.e.2=lost: Anu- [...]
 W?=U.e.3=lost: Anu-...

Scribe: .../Anu-uballit//...

Seller: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši//EZ
 Buyer: Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//EZ
 W-neighbour=co-owner4: estate of the gardeners; PN/Nidinti-Anu & his brothers/Anu-balāssu-iqbi
 E-neighbour: Mukīn-apli/Anu-bēlšunu
 N-neighbour: Fortress of Uruk
 S-neighbour: Lâbâši and his brothers/Anu-zêru-iddin

Co-owner1: Eribāya(?)/Tattannu
 Co-owner2: Lâbâši-Anu(?)/Tattannu
 Co-owner3: ...-Anu/Tattannu

Commentary. The text belongs to the early generations of the Lâbâši family and is clearly connected to **Nos. 15-AL** (see above) and **17-AL**. As was extensively shown above (see § 4), these three tablets, together with YOS 20 18 and 19, show the involvement of the Lâbâši family in the management of arable land in Uruk and the possible connection between the family's prebendary activities as gardeners and the possession of arable land in the area of the wall of Uruk. On the arable land of the house of the gardeners see Monerie 2018, p. 301. Obv. 3: gú šá ^{id}ḥa-ri-ši u bàd šá unug^{ki}. Same spelling as **No. 17-AL**: 3.

No. 17-AL. Plate XVII

Museum no.: BM 105193 (1913-4-16, 25)

Size: 6.4×7.4×2.5 cm (XS)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 32-38.V.1, Antiochus I and Seleucus.

Date BC: 280.VIII.16/274.VIII.10

Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2014, 120.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #670

Description (type of transaction): sale of arable land planted and cultivated. NSWE. No measurements

- Obv. [^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1d}60]-¹du-a a ¹[... ina *hu-ud lib-bi-šú*]
 [mi-šil ina ši-in-z]e-ru-ú *ha.la-šú šá ina še*.[numun zaq-pi]
 [u ka *šul-pu šá gú ^{1d}h]a-ri-ši ù bàd šá unug^{ki}*
¹uš an-ú¹ ^{im}si.sá¹ da bàd ša unug^{ki}
- (5) uš ki-ú^{im} u¹⁸.lu¹ gú ^{1d}dam¹-qát-tu⁴
 sag.ki an.ta^{im} mar.tu ús.sa.du še.numun
 šá ^{1d}60-ik-šur dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu sag.ki ki.t[a]
^{im}kur.ra ús.sa.du še.numun šá ¹gal-^d60 du[mu šá ^{1d}60-numun-dù]
 a-na 3 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú a-na šám [til.meš]
- (10) a-na ¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é¹-[kur-za-kir]
 a-na u⁴-¹mu ša¹-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a⁴ 3 g[ín]
 Rev. šám mi-šil ina 12-ú ina še.numun mu.meš
^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a ina šu-ii ¹la-ba-ši
 a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu ma-¹hir e-¹ti¹r mi-šil ina 12-ú šá še.numun mu.meš
- (15) šá ¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a-na u⁴-¹mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
^{1d}mu-kin⁷ ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu šá ¹tat-tan-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ^{1d}30-[ti-è]r
¹ri-¹hat-inanna dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
^{1d}60²-š]eš-gál-ši dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60 ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši ¹ki-din
- (20) [dumu.meš šá ^{1d}šá-6]0-iš-šú¹-ú a.meš ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹ri-¹hat-inanna a šá ¹60-šeš-mu-[nu?]
 [PN ¹u]mbisag dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-mu-kám unug^{ki} ^{im}ne ud.1.kám
 [mu.x-kám ¹a]n-ti-i-muk-su ¹se¹-lu-ku lugal.meš
- L.e. un-qa [(traces)] un-qa ¹ri-¹hat-^dinanna¹ [un-qa...]
 R.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá ^{1d}60-[du-a]
 B.e. un-qa ¹ki-din
 U.e. [un-qa [...] un-qa [(upper traces)] un-qa [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ) and arable land

Translation. Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli//..., voluntarily sold to Lâbâši/AZI/EZ one half in 1/12, his share in the arable land planted (with trees) and cultivated, of the bank of the moat and the Fortress of Uruk: the upper long side, to the north, bordering on the Fortress of Uruk; the lower long side, to the south, on the bank of the Damqat canal; the upper short side, to the west, beside the arable land of Anu-iqšur/Anu-ahu-ittannu; the lower short side, to the east, beside the arable land of Rabi-Anu/Anu-zêru-ibni, for the full price of 3 š of pure silver. The silver, 3 š, price of one half in 1/12 in this arable land, Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli has received from Lâbâši/AZI; he is paid. One half in 1/12 of this arable land belongs forever to Lâbâši/AZI/EZ.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.3/U.e.1-3=? : Kidin-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

W2=L.e.3/U.e.1-3=? : Anu-bêlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//SLU

W3=L.e.3/U.e.1-3=? : Rihat-lštar/Ina-qibit-Anu//EZ

W4=?=? : (Anu¹)-ahu-ušabši/Kidin-Anu//EZ

W5=?=? : Anu-ahu-ušabši/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

W6=B.e.1=? : Kidin/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

W7=L.e.2=670d: Rihat-lštar/Anu-ahu-ittannu¹

Scribe: [...] /lštar-šumu-êreš. Uruk. Abu, day 1, year [32-38], Antiochus and Seleucus, the kings.

Seller=R.e.: Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli//...

Buyer: Lâbâši/AZI/EZ

N-neighbour: Fortress of Uruk

S-neighbour: bank of the Damqat canal

W-neighbour: Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahu-ittannu

E-neighbour: Rabi-Anu/Anu-zēru-ibni

Commentary. The field sold in **No. 17-AL** adjoins the south bank of the Damqat canal; to the north the wall of Uruk and to the east and west the properties of two individuals, Rabi-Anu (patronym lost) and Anu-ikšur/Anu-ahu-ittannu, respectively. We know that Labāši/AZI//EZ bought two shares of the same field in SE 38 (as recorded in YOS 20 18 and 19). Since in these two contracts he is also described as the co-owner of the field, while he is not in **No. 17-AL**, it is clear that the transaction recorded in **No. 17-AL** must have taken place before those recorded in YOS 20 18 and 19; this sets year 38 SE as a *terminus ante quem* for the redaction of our text. According to the date formula, the tablet was written on the first day of the fifth month (Abu) of an unknown year, during the co-regency of Antiochus I and Seleucus; thus the date of composition of **No. 17-AL** may be further restricted to the years SE 32-38.

Obv. 5: ^{idr}damⁿ-qāt-tu₄. The name of the Damqat canal is spelled ^{id}dam^{an}-qa-at in YOS 20 18: Obv. 7; it is likely that this was also the case in YOS 20 19: Obv. 5 (where the name is partially lost in lacuna): the scribe of the two tablets is the same.⁴³ The first occurrence of the Damqat canal is in Montserrat 1: 22' (dated to the mid sixth-century BC), where its name is spelled ^{id}dam-qāt.⁴⁴

Obv. 8: it is possible to safely restore the patronym of Rabi-Anu as Anu-zēru-iddin on the basis of the connections between YOS 20 18 and 19 and the present text (see above).

Rev. 22: 'a]n-ti-i-muk-su. The spelling for the name of Antiochus is a hapax. See Monerie 2014, p. 120.

Rev. 14, 17, 18 and 20: writing spilling onto the right edge.

W3 and W7: two individuals named Rihat-lštar appear among the witnesses. Only one seal (L.e.2) captioned Rihat-lštar is preserved; its attribution to W7 is based on the fact that we know that the seal of an individual named Rihat-lštar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ (who might be the same as W3) is totally different from the one preserved here.⁴⁵

B.e.: only the seal of Kidin-Anu occupies the lower edge.

Seals: note that Mitchell, Searight L1 (#670a) actually corresponds on the tablet to L.e.2 and L2 (670d) to L.e.1.

⁴³ The scribe of YOS 20 18 and 19 is Nazi-muruttaš, possibly a Nippurean. On Nazi-muruttaš see above, § 8.4 and fn. 194. It must be noted that **No. 17-AL** was written by a different scribe: this might explain the different spellings of the name of the canal (and also of the tablet formulary and format).

⁴⁴ See RGTC 8, p. 369, s.v., with the updates by Ermidoro 2016, s.v. Note that in the transliteration of Montserrat 1, line 21' is erroneously repeated twice (while line 22' is missing); the reference to the name of the canal is in line 22' (as is clear from the copy of the text and Ermidoro correctly reports). On Montserrat 1, see Janković 2013, pp. 346-347; for references to this canal and its occurrences in the texts from Uruk, see the discussion in § 4, above.

⁴⁵ We assume here that W3 is the same Rihat-lštar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ who uses AUWE 19, no. 890 in a number of documents in the Yale collection, between SE 51 and 57. The seal, depicting a sheep walking profile right, with a crab on the back, is clearly different from **No. 17-AL**: L.e.2.; it seems more plausible to assume that L.e.2. is the seal of the other witness going by the same name (=W7), than suggesting that Rihat-lštar/Ina-qibīt-Anu used a different seal on this occasion only.

No. 18-P. Plate XVIII

Museum no.: BM 105189 (1913-4-16, 21)

Size: 7.6×9.3×3.2 (S)

Format: Type 1a, split (with irregularities)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 44.XI.30; Antiochus I (no co-regency attested)

Date BC: 267.II.25

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 202-203; Pearce, HBTIN, P342284 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #668

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ)

W1=U.e.3=668f: Ubar/Mušezib-Anu//K

W2=L.e.2=668a: Anu-mukîn-apli/Kidin-Anu//EZ

W3=U.e.1[?]=lost: Sîn-bânûnu/Tattannu//EZ

W4=L.e.3=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zêru-iddin//H

W5=L.e.1=668c: Rihat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin//EZ

W6=B.e.1=668d: Bassiya/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

W7=B.e.2=668b: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//EZ

W8=U.e.2[?]=668e[?]: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU

Seller1=clearer1+Seller2=clearer2: Anu-ahu-ušabši and Anu-ahu-ittannu/lllut-Anu/...//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The document is dated to SE 44 and ascribed to the reign of Antiochus I, only. We would expect here the co-regency with his son Seleucus to be mentioned (see Del Monte 1997, p. 228 and Monerie 2014, pp. 120-121). Mitchell, Searight 2008, L3 corresponds to L.e.1 on the tablet.

No. 19-P. Plate IXX

Museum no.: BM 105204 (1913-4-16, 36)

Size: 8.1×8.7×2.4 (S)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 44.x.x, Antiochus I and Seleucus

Date BC: 268/267.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #669.

Description (type of transaction): lease of *nuhattimmūtu* u *ararrutu* prebend

- Obv. ¹ki-tu-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹ni-[din]-tu₄-^d[60]
 dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a a ¹kur-i ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu a-na
¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹iq-[bu-ú um-m]a
 ši-iš-šú ina ud.5.kám u šal-šú ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.[ba-ka] ¹⁰muhaldim-ú-tú
 (5) u ¹⁰har-ú-tú igi ¹60 an-tu₄ ^qinanna ^qgašan edin ^qna[na-a]
^qga[šan šá é s]ag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su
¹kal [mu.an.n]a gu-uq-qa-né-e u ud še.èš.èš.meš
 [u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš].šub.ba mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki šeš.meš-šú
 [u en.meš ha].¹la-ka¹ gab-bi a-na ¹⁰re-si-nu²-ú-tú <<¹⁰re-sin-e²-nu²-ú-tú¹ (?)>>
 (10) [a-di 5.ta² mu.an.na].meš bi-in-na-šim-ma
 [] x ú² ni-pu-uš-ak(?)
¹la-ba¹-[ši mu.meš] ¹iš-še-mu¹-šú-nu-ti-ma ši-iš-šú
 ina ud.5.kám u šal-šú ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba-šú ¹⁰muhaldim-ú-tú
 u ¹⁰har-ú-tú mu.meš a-na ¹⁰re-sin-nu-ú-tú a-di 5.ta mu.an.na.meš
 Rev. ¹id-daš-šú-nu pu-ut ¹⁰pa-lih u la šá-ka-nu šá baṭ-lu
 šá giš.šub.ba ¹⁰muhaldim-ú-tú u ¹⁰har-ú-tú mu.meš
 a-di mu.an.na.meš 5 i-ia-ši-¹ ni-din-tu₄-^d60
 ab-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a na-ši ina iti 3 mi-šil
^{uz}TIR(?) ninda₂ u 3 mi-šil ^{uz}ri-iq-i-tu₄
 (20) ¹ki-tu-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a-na
¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu i-nam-din-¹ še-la-ni?
¹nu.tés šá ú-mar-ru gi-nu-ú ¹la-ba-ši i-na(?)-ši / i-na igi?
 i-di²-šá a-na ¹⁰re-si-nu-ú-tú ik-kaš-ši-du ul gub-zu (?)
¹ki-tu-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 i-na-šú-ú
 (25) ¹⁰mu-kin₇ ¹ri-hat-^qinanna dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
¹ba-as-si-ia dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-mu-kám ¹60-šeš-mu dumu šá
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu šá ¹60-¹x¹
 (D.f.) ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ¹⁰umbisag dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 unug^{ki} ⁱⁱⁱ[x ud.x.kám]
 mu.44.kám ¹at-ti-¹ku-su u ¹se-lu-¹ku¹ [lugal.meš]
- L.e. ^{1d}60-ad-gur un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu (impaginato a destra)
 R.e. un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu ša ^{1d}60-du-a
 B.e. un-qa ¹ri-hat-^qinanna¹ un-qa ¹ba-as-si-ia
 U.e. un-qa ¹ki-tu-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu ¹un¹-[qa] ¹x

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI/EZ)

Translation. Kittu-Anu and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukin-apli//K voluntarily told Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ: 1/6 in day 5 and 1/3 in day 14, your *nuhattimmūtu* and *ararrutu* prebend in front of Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *esšešu* offerings, and whatever pertains to this prebend, which is with your(?) brothers and co-owners, give us for performance for 5 years. We will perform (the service) for you for 5 years. Lâbâši himself listened to them and gave them for performance for 5 years 1/6 in day 5 and 1/3 in day 14, his *nuhattimmūtu* and *ararrutu* prebend. Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukin-apli, their father, guarantees (for them) the performance and the non-interruption of this *nuhattimmūtu* and *ararrutu* prebend for 5 years. Monthly(?) 3 halves ... Kittu-Anu and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu will give to Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin ... Kittu-Anu and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu ...

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=669b: Rihat-Ištar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ

W2=B.e.2=669c: Bassiya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš

W3=L.e.2=669e: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//EZ

W4=L.e.1=669d: Anu-abu-uṭer/Anu[...]

Scribe: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu. Uruk. (...), day (...), year 44, Antiochus and Seleucus, the kings.

Lessee1: Kittu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//K

Lessee2=U.e.1=669f: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//K

Lessor: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Guarantor=R.e.=669a: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli, father of Lessees1 and 2

Commentary. Record of a lease of a prebend; according to the contract, that is part of the Lâbâši's dossier. Lâbâši is here leasing the title. Obv. 4 ^{lu}muḫaldim-ú-tú: prebend name on the edge.

Obv. 5 *u*: sign written on the left edge; the name of Nanāya can be safely restored on the basis of the fact that the sequence 'Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, NAME, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temples' always records Nanāya between Bēlet-šēri and Bēlet-ša-Rēš. See e.g. **No. 8-P**; **No. 31-P**; **No. 43-P**; **No. 66-P**; OECT 9 19; OECT 9 20; OECT 9 23; OECT 9 21 and OECT 9 44.

Obv. 7, ud še.èš.èš.meš: the scribe mixed up the logographic and syllabic writing; apparently he started writing the syllabic form of the name but after the first sign turned up using the logographic spelling.

Obv. 8, šeš.meš-šú: a 2nd person singular would be expected here.

Obv. 14, mu.an.na.meš: on the edge.

Rev. 19, ^{uzv}ri-iq-i-tu: last sign clear on the tablet.

U.e.1: The two lessees apparently use one seal only, as is clear from the fact that one seal impression is captioned by the names of the brothers. U.e.2 (caption broken) may belong to the guarantor, i.e. their father.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008 L2 (#669d) and L1 (#669e) correspond on the tablet to L.e.1 and L.e.2, respectively.

B.e.1=W1. The scribe erroneously labelled the seal impression (#669b) with the name 'Rihat-Anu' instead of 'Rihat-Ištar' (that Rihat Ištar is meant here is clear from the seal image, which corresponds to Wallenfels 1994, no. 890, and from the fact that no Rihat-Anu is recorded in the WL among the witnesses). Rihat-Ištar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ witnessed among others also YOS 20 25; BRM 2 16; BRM 2 14; OECT 9 11 (seal impression lost); **No. 31-P**; **No. 28-P** (B.e.); **No. 23-P**; OECT 9 8 (seal impression lost); VDI 1955/4 2.

Note that L.e., U.e. and B.e. are all right aligned; the R.e. is centred.

For the formulary see Hackl 2012.

No. 20-P. Plate XX

Museum no.: BM 105200 (1913-4-16, 32)

Size: 6.7×7.6×2.5 (XS)

Format: type 1a, split (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 47.8.25, Antiochus I and Antiochus

Date BC: 265.XI.20

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 148-149; Pearce 2010, p. 323; Pearce, HBTIN, P342274 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #675 and p. 252, #9

Description (type of transaction): sale of *āšipūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ) and Anu-bêlšunu-*āšipūtu*

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=675b: Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//Ah

W2=U.e.3=lost: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah

W3=B.e.3=675e: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zēru-iddin//H

W4=U.e.1=675d: Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA

W5=L.e.2=lost: Anu-ikšur/Nidinti-Anu//LA

W6=L.e.1=675g: Anu-mukīn-apli/Lišir//GA

W7=U.e.2=675c: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//Abu-ṭāb

W8=B.e.2=675f: Kidin-Anu/lštar-ikū'a, alphabetic scribe

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU

Seller=Clearer=R.e.=675a: Anu-bêlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. On the role of Anu-bêlšunu in documents related to the *āšipūtu* prebend see above, § 6.1.2.

W7: for the correct reading of the FN, see HBTIN, CDLI P342274, ad loc.

W8: the correct reading for the patronym of Kidin-Anu is lštar-ikū'a, see HBTIN, CDLI P342274, ad loc.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #675g (labelled L2) corresponds to L.e.1 on the tablet (seal of W6).

No. 21-RE. Plate XXI

Museum no.: BM 109961 (1914-4-4, 27)

Size: 6.3×9.5×3.2 (S)

Format: Type 2b/4b, unknown (fragmentary)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 40-49

Date BC: 272-262

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: fragmentary

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bitu u kišubbû* (?); very fragmentary

- Obv. [...].meš
 [...] [...] x x [...] 'x' da [...] *ki-din-* ^{d60}(?) 'x' [...]
 [...] [...] traces [...] 4'3' [kùš] 'uš ki-ú^{im}kur.ra
 [...] [...] illegible traces 43 kùš sag.ki
 (5') [...] da é u *ki-šub-ba*-[...] meš.mu da é traces
 mu.meš x [...] 'x' 43 kùš sag.ki 'ki.ta^{im}u₁₈.lu da sila *qát-nu*
mu-taq 'un'.meš '...' 43 kùš sag.ki.meš é u *ki-šub-ba*[...]
mu'.meš (traces) *ba-šu-ú gab-bi*
 [...] *'is-ta-tir-ra-nu*' [šá] ^{an}-'[ti-i]-ku-su *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú*
 (10') [...] x x x x x *ina* šu-ii 'x x x' ^{d60}-nu[mun²-x² a¹] 'é-kur'-za-kir a-na u₄.mu
ša-a-tu₄ it-ta-d[in ...] illegible traces mu.meš ¹la-[...]
 dumu šá ¹[...]
 (2 lines lost?)
 Rev. [...]]-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{d60}-ad-šeš a¹'šu'- [...]]
 [...] a ^{d30}-ti-ér'šá-^{d60}-iš-šu-ú dumu šá[...] -ú ¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá
^{d60}-šeš-mu-nu a ¹hun-zu-ú
 (5') [...] ^{d60} u ^{d60}-din-iṭ dumu-šú
 (blank)
^{d60}-din-iṭ ¹⁶umbisag dumu šá ¹[...]
 ud.27.kám mu.40[+x.kám ...]
- L.e. [*un-qa*...]-mu-nu(?) [*un-qa*] ^{d60}-ad-gur² *un-qa* [...] ^{d60}
 R.e. lost
 B.e. lost
 U.e. *un-qa* [...]

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Too fragmentary for translation.

Witnesses:

W1: .../Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//GA

W2: .../...//SLU

W3: Ša-Anu-iššû/...//H(?)

W4: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H

W5: ...-Anu

W6: Anu-uballit/...//...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.1: (Anu²)-ittannu

W?=L.e.2: Anu-abu-utēr

W?=L.e.3: ...-Anu

Scribe: Anu-uballit/...//.... (Uruk)., day 27, year 40⁺ ...

Commentary. The tablet is very similar to those excavated by Loftus as for its size and colour. Due to the fragmentary state of preservation of the edges, only unreadable traces of one seal impression (on the L.e.) are preserved. The tablet is thus not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

No. 22-P. Plate XXII

Museum no.: BM 109936 (1914-4-4, 2)

Size: 7.6×8.9×2.7 (S)

Format: type 3a, unknown

Date SE: (47-49).I.28; Antiochus I and Antiochus, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 266-263.IV/V.?

Bibl.: unpubl. Pirngruber, Waerzeggers 2011, p. 132 (quoted)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #673

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

- Obv. ^{1a}60-ba-šá-an-nu dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹kur-i ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú šal-šú ina 1-en u₄-mu
 ina ud.9.kám ud.10.kám ud.11.kám u ud.12.kám giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1a}gír.sig-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄
^dinanna ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su kal mu-an-na
 gu-uq-qa-né-e u še-šá-an-na u mim-ma gab-bi šá ana giš.šub.ba ^{1a}gír.sig-ú-tú
 (5) mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ^{1a}en.meš ha-la.meš-šú ana 10 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ri. meš
 šá ¹an-ti-i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ¹nu-pe-é-tu₄
 u ¹ana-gal-^dna-na-a dumu.munus.meš šá ^{1a}60-din-su-e dumu-šú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ it-ta-din
 kù.babbar a₄ 10 gín šám šal-šú ina 1-en u₄-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba
^{1a}gír.sig-ú-tú mu.meš ^{1a}60-ba-šá-an-nu dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ina šu-ii ¹nu-pe-é-tu₄
 (10) [u ¹ana-gal-^dna-na-a dumu.munus.meš šá ^{1a}60-din-su-e dumu-šú ma-hir e-ṭir
 u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi giš.šub.ba ^{1a}gír.sig-ú-tú mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú
^{1a}60-ba-šá-an-nu a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq-ma a-na ¹nu-pe-é-tu₄
 u ¹ana-gal-^dna-na-a dumu.munus.meš šá ^{1a}60-din-su-e dumu-šú i-nam-din šal-šú
 ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.9.kám ud.10.kám ud.11.kám u ud.12.kám giš.šub.ba
 (15) ^{1a}gír.sig-ú-tú mu.meš šá ¹nu-pe-é-tu₄ u ¹ana-gal-^dna-na-a dumu.munus.meš šá
^d60-din-su-e a <šá> ^{1a}60-ba-šá-an-nu ⁴⁶a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ šú-nu
 Rev. ¹[^umu-kin,
 [u ^{1a}]60-din-iṭ dumu.meš šá ¹ana-gal-ka-^d60 a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
 [š]á ^{1a}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 (20) [¹mu-ra-šu-ú dumu] šá ¹šu-zu-bu a ¹mu.meš ^{1a}60-din-su-e dumu šá
 [... a ¹] lu-uš-tammar-^diškur ^{1a}utu-mu-nu dumu šá ¹up-pu-lu
 [... ¹] ^{1a}60-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1a}60-ad-šeš a ¹im-bi-^d60
 [¹bul-luṭ dumu šá] ¹numun-ia a ¹šu-^d60 ¹na-na-a-mu dumu šá
 [...] a ^{1a}30-ti-ér ¹šib-qát-^d60 dumu šá ¹ana-gal-^d60
 (25) [a ¹lu-uš-tam-ma]r-^diškur
 [¹ki-^d60-hé.nun ^{1a}umbisag dumu] šá ^{1a}60-en-šú-nu unug^{ki} iti.bár ud.28.kám mu.47+x.kám
 [¹an-ti-i-ku-s]u u ¹an-ti-i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
 L.e. un-qa ^{1a}60-šeš-'-mu-nu un-qa ^{1a}utu-mu-'-nu 'un'-[qa] ^{1a}60-din-su-e
 R.e. un-qa ^{1a}60-ba-šá-an-nu ^{1a}na-din giš.šub.ba mu.meš⁴⁷
 B.e. un-qa [^d] na-na-a-mu un-qa ¹mu-ra-šu-ú un-qa ¹bul-luṭ
 U.e. [un-qa] ^{1a}60-din-iṭ un-qa ^{1a}60-šeš.meš-mu un-qa ¹šib-qát-^d60 un-qa ^{1a}60-mu-nu

Dossier. Women

Translation. Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K voluntarily sold to 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabūti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi, his son, 1/3 of a day, in days 9, 10, 11 and 12, his *gerseqqûtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištār, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *eššešu* offerings and whatever pertains to that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, which is with his co-owners, for 10 š of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 10 š, price of 1/3 of a day, in the given days, that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu received from the hands of 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabūti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi, his son. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, Anu-iqīšanni will clear it 12-fold and will give to 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabūti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi, his son. 1/3 of a day in days 9, 10, 11 and 12, that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, belongs to 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabūti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi/Anu-iqīšanni, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.2=673f: [Anu-ahu-ittannu]/Ana-rabūtika-Anu//Ah

W2=U.e.1+673c: Anu-uballit/Ana-rabūtika-Anu//Ah

W3=U.e.2=673j: [Anu-ahhē-iddin]/Anu-ahu-ittannu//LA

46 *In rasura* (A name beginning with Anu is clearly visible under a on the tablet; traces of other signs are also detectable).

47 Centred.

W4=B.e.2=673k: [Murašû]/Šūzubu//Šumāti
 W5=L.e.3=673e: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/[...]/LA
 W6=L.e.2=673f: Šamaš-ittannu/Uppulu/[...]
 W7=U.e.4=673d: Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu
 W8=B.e.3=673g: Bulluṭ/Zēriya//GA
 W9=B.e.1=673a: Nanāya-iddin/[...]/SLU
 W10=U.e.3=673b: Šibqat-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu//LA

Scribe: Itti-Anu-nuhšu/Anu-bēlšunu. Uruk. Nīsān, day 28, year 47/49, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings.

Seller=Clearer=R.e.=673h: Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qībīt-Anu//K
 Buyer1+Buyer2: 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabûti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi, his son.

Commentary. Small tablet. The transaction is carried out within the family: the buyers of the prebend, 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabûti-Nanāya, are the sellers' granddaughters.

On the basis of the extant part of the date (a 40 followed by a 7, 8 or 9) and since the co-regency of Antiochus I and his son Antiochus is only recorded between SE 46 and 51, the date range for the present contract may be restricted to SE 47-49. The document may be connected to **No. 23-P** (below): it seems that 'Nupetu and 'Ana-rabûti-Nanāya are here acquiring a prebend that only a few years later (SE 50) they will sell to Lâbâši (as recorded by **No. 23-P**), with the addition of an extra fraction of a day, in day 13. The seller in our text is the two sisters' grandfather. The women's father (only mentioned in our text) acts as a guarantor for them in the transaction recorded in **No. 23-P** (for further details, see the commentary to **No. 23-P**, below).

Obv. 2, 9, 11, 15: the name of the *gerseqqûtu* prebend is consistently written with a variant form for *gîr* that is peculiar to this tablet.

Obv. 5, *is-ta-tir-ri.*'meš': last two signs on the edge.

Obv. 7, *is-ta-din*: last two signs on the right edge. Both signs are slightly damaged but still clearly readable.

Obv. 9 and 12: 'nu-pe-é-tu₄': last sign on the edge.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L1 and L3 correspond on the tablet to L.e.3 and L.e.1, respectively.

Rev. 23: the name of Bulluṭ is recorded only on the lower edge of the tablet. It is restored here on the basis of OECT 9 50: Rev. 13 (SE 125), where an individual named Zēriya/Bulluṭ//Gimil-Anu is attested as a witness. Since the name Bulluṭ is not widespread in the Uruk corpus, the restoration, while hypothetical, seems likely.

W4: the son of the name Šūzubu//Šumati may be identified with the Murašû/Šūzubu//Šumati occurring in OECT 9 10, where he is among the principals of a contract dated to year 41 SE, which is written by the same scribe as our tablet; Murašû/Šūzubu//Šumati is moreover recorded among the witnesses to VS 15 23 (year SE 33).

W1 and W3: the two names are broken in the witness list, but can be easily reconstructed on the basis of the captions of the seal impressions.

R.e.: seals centred on the surface.

B.e.: left aligned.

No. 23-P. Plate XXIII

Museum no.: BM 105203 (1913-4-16, 35)

Size: 8.7×9.5×3.1 (S)

Format: Type 1a, continuous?

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 50.IX.04, Antiochus I and Antiochus, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 262.XI.27

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 203-205; Pearce 2010, 308 (also fn. 33) and 323; HBTIN P342285

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #679 and p. 253, #10.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ) + women

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.3=679c: Anu-abu-utêr/Nanāya-iddin//Ah

W2=U.e.4=679j: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûtika-Anu//Ah

W3: [...]/[...]/AhW4=B.e.3=679k: Bassiya/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Ah

W5=?=??: [...]

W6=B.e.4=679n: Rihat-lštar/Ina-qibît-Anu//EZ

W7=?=??: [...]

W8=?=??: [...]

W9=U.e.3/U.e.5=679h/679e: Anu-abu-utêr/Anu-balassu-iqbi//[...]

W10=?=??: [...]

W11=?=??: [...]/[...]/EZ

W12=?=??: [...]/[...]/SLU

W13=?=??: [...]/[...]/LA

Witnesses from the edges:

L.e.1=697f=Nidinti-Anu

L.e.2=697a=Anu-uballit

L.e.4=697m=Kidin-Anu

B.e.1=697l=Kidin-Anu

U.e.1=697d=Anu-zêru-lišir

U.e.2=697g=Rihat-Anu

Scribe: Anu-uballit/[...]

Seller1=Clearer1=Guarantor1=R.e.: 'Nuptis/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi/Anu-iqīšanni//K

Seller2=Clearer2=Guarantor2=R.e.: 'Ana-rabûti-Nanāya/Anu-bālāssu-iqbi/Anu-iqīšanni//K

Clearer3=Guarantor3=R.e.3=679b: Anu-bālāssu-iqbi/Anu-iqīšanni//K (father of Seller1-2)

Buyer=Co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. Between SE 47 and 49, 'Nuptis and 'Ana-rabûti-Nanāya bought 1/3 of a day of the *gerseqqûtu* prebend for days 9 to 12 from their grandfather, as recorded in **No. 22-P**. They are now selling it (with the addition of the service for day 13) to Lâbâši.

The two sisters act in the document also as guarantors, alongside their father (who acted as guarantor for his father in the previous document). Their names are recorded on the right edge of the tablet where the caption for their seals appear, but not the seal impressions. Only the seal of their father, Anu-balāssu-iqbi, is stamped on the surface.

For Lâbâši's interest in the *gerseqqûtu* prebend, see HANE/M 8, pp. 88-91 and Corò 2005b.

It is interesting to note that the document lacks the seal of the sellers on the right edge (a blank space is in fact left beneath the caption), while that of their male co-guarantor, who is the women's father, is impressed.

On the basis of the remaining traces on the tablet, it is plausible that ¹⁰*mu-kin*₇ stood on the same line as the name of W1 (thus 'compact' in the format type description).

L.e.3: the seal of Anu-abu-utêr/Nanāya-iddin//Ah, corresponding to AUWE no. 450, can be identified with 679c.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L2 actually corresponds on the tablet to L.e.3. (the same is true for all the other seal impressions on the edge; thus: L1=L.e.4; L3=L.e.2; L4=L.e.1).

No. 24-P. Plate XXIV

Museum no.: BM 105181 (1913-4-16, 13)
 Size: 8.9×9.5×3.2 (S)
 Format: Type 1b, split
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 51.VIII.28, Antiochus II
 Date BC: 261.XII.9
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 177-179; Pearce, HBTIN, P342277
 Seals: unpubl.
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ērib bītūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1+W2=U.e.1/B.e.3-4: Iqīšaya and Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit/AhW3= U.e.1/B.e.3/4: Nidinti-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

W4=B.e.2: Bassiya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//EZ

W5=L.e.2: Rihat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin//EZ

W6=U.e.3: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zēru-iddin//H

W7=U.e.4: Anu-mukīn-apli/Lišir//GA

W8=L.e.1: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-šumu-lišir//H

W9=U.e.1/B.e.3-4: Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qībit-Anu//Ah

W10=U.e.2/B.e.1: Rabi-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin //EZ

W11= U.e.2/B.e.1: Rabi-Anu/Dumqi-Anu//[...]

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU

Seller=clearer=R.e.: Tattannu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Co-owner1: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Kidin-Anu

Co-owner2: Tattannu/Anu-ahu-ittannu

Commentary. Seals omitted by Mitchell, Searight 2008. On Lâbâši's interest in the *ērib bītūtu* prebend prebend see HANE/M 8, pp. 87-94 and Corò 2005b. See also § 6.1.1 above.

Note the scribe's tendency to particular alignments of last lines of text (end of contract and date formula).

No. 25-P. Plate XXV

Museum no.: BM 78967 (Bu 89-4-26, 262)

Size: 8.9×10.2×2.5 (M)

Format: Type 1a, continuous

Date: SE 46-51.IX.2, Antiochus I and Antiochus

Date BC: 266-261.x.x. BC

Bibliography: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #680

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *hallatu*-garden

- Obv. [¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ¹60-ad]-šeš ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-ba u ¹la-ba-ši dumu.meš šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d[60 du]mu šá ¹
 [PN a FN] ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu šá 3[0-'-ú]
 [šá u₄-mu ma-ṭu-ú ina ud].⁴.kám ud.11.kám ud.12.kám ud.14.kám ud.16.kám ud.1[7.ká]m ud.18.kám
 [ud.19.kám ud.20.kám ud.21].kám pap mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu šá 30-'-ú šá u₄-mu
 (5) [ma-ṭu-ú ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš] giš.šub.ba-šú-nu šá ina é.gal edin é ^{9is}ki[ri₆ hal-l]a-tu₄
 [šá iti]-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.è[š.è]š.meš
 u ¹mim-ma gab'-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ¹⁶en.m[eš ha-l]a.meš-šú-nu
 gab-bi a-na 5/6 ma.na 2 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹an-ti-[i]-ku-su
 bab-ba-nu-ú-tú [a-na] šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá
 (10) ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹[hun-zu]-ú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ it-ta-din-' kù.babbar a₄
 5/6 ma.na 2 gín šám giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš ina-qí-bit-^d60 ¹60-ad-šeš ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-ba
 u ¹la-ba-ši dumu.meš šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60
 ma-hi-ra-nu e-tir-' u₄-mu pa-qa'-ri ana muh-hi giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 it-tab-šú-ú ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ¹60-ad-šeš ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-ba u ¹la-ba-ši
 (15) a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-ra-q-ma-' a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄
 Rev. ina-an-din-' pu-ut a-ha-meš a-na mur-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba mu.meš ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1d}60-ad-šeš
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-ba u ¹la-ba-ši a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ na-šú-' mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu šá 30-'-ú
 šá u₄-mu ma-ṭu-ú ina ud.4.kám ud.11.kám ud.12.kám ud.14.kám ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám
 ud.19.kám ud.20.kám ud.21.kám pap mi-šil u₄-mu šá 30-'-ú šá u₄-mu ma-ṭu ina 1-en u₄-mu
 (20) giš.šub.ba mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹hun-zu-ú
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ šú-nu
¹⁶mu-kin₇ ¹ana-gal-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-gi ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ¹ba-la-ṭu a.meš
 [¹]lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
 [dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-mu-nu dumu šá ¹numun-ia a ¹šú-^d60
 (25) [¹ki-din-^d60] dumu šá ¹du-a a ¹kur-i ¹ba-as-si-ia dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-mu-kám a ¹é-kur-za-kir
 [¹ki-din-^d60 du]mu [šá] ¹dan-na-at-^dgašan ¹ri-hat-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a.meš šá ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 [^{1d}60-du-a dumu šá ¹]i-giš ^{1d}60-du-a dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a.meš ¹šú-^d60
 [¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna du]mu šá ¹ir-^dmaš ¹⁶se-pir
 [^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ki]-^d60-hé.nun a ^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki} ^{1ti}gan ud.2.kám
 (30) [mu.46-51.kám ¹an-ti-'-i-ku-su u ¹an-ti-'-i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-du-a un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu un-[qa] ¹ana-gal-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}60-mu-nu
 R.e. un-qa ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 un-qa ¹60-ad-šeš un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-ba un-qa ¹nu.téš ¹⁶na-din-na-' giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa ¹ri-hat-^d60 un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-du-a un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna
 U.e. [un]-qa ^{1d}60-din-iṭ un-qa ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 un-qa ¹ba-as-si-ia un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60

Dossier. Dannat-bēlti

Translation. Ina-qibīt-Anu, Anu-abu-ušur, Anu-ahhē-iqīša and Lâbâši/Tanittu-Anu/[...]/[...] voluntarily sold in perpetuity to Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-lišir//H 1/2 of one day, which 1/30 of a day is lacking, in days 4, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, a total: 1/2 of one day, which 1/30 of a day is lacking, in the given days, their prebend in the Palace of the Steppe, the palace of the *hallatu*-garden, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *eššešu* offerings and whatever pertains to that prebend, which is with all of their co-owners, for 5/6 m. and 2 š of silver, g. q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price.

That silver, 5/6 m (and) 2 š, full price of that prebend, Ina-qibīt-Anu, Anu-abu-ušur, Anu-ahhē-iqīša and Lâbâši/Tanittu-Anu received from the hands of Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu. They are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that prebend, Ina-qibīt-Anu, Anu-abu-ušur, Anu-ahhē-iqīša and Lâbâši will clear it 12-fold and will give to Anu-uballit. Ina-qibīt-Anu, Anu-abu-ušur, Anu-ahhē-iqīša and Lâbâši mutually guarantee for the clearance from claims of that prebend, in perpetuity. One half of one day, minus 1/30 of a day, in days 4, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, a total of half a day, of which 1/30 of a day is lacking, in one day, that prebend, belongs to Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-lišir//H, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.3=680m: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-ušallim//LA
 W2=U.e.2=680d: Tanittu-Anu/Balaṭu//LA
 W3=L.e.2=680f: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//Ah
 W4=U.e.1=680h: Anu-uballiṭ/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ
 W5=L.e.4=lost: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya/GA
 W6=U.e.4²=680k²: Kidin-Anu/Mukīn-apli//K
 W7=U.e.3=680i: Bassiya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//EZ
 W8=B.e.2²=680g²: Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 W9=B.e.1=lost: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballiṭ//LA
 W10=L.e.1=680a
 W11=B.e.3=680e: Anu-mukīn-apli/Lišir (and) Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhe-iddin//GA
 W12=B.e.4=680j: Nidinti-Ištar/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe

Scribe: Anu-uballiṭ/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU. Uruk. Kislīmu, day 2, year 46-51, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings.

Seller1=clearer1=guarantor1=R.e.1=680c: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/[...]/[...]
 Seller2=clearer2guarantor2=R.e.2=680l: Anu-abu-ušur/Tanittu-Anu/[...]/[...]
 Seller3=clearer3=guarantor3=R.e.3=680b: Anu-ahhē-iqīša/Tanittu-Anu/[...]/[...]
 Seller4=clearer4=guarantor4= R.e.4=lost: Lâbâši/Tanittu-Anu/[...]/[...]
 Buyer: Anu-uballiṭ/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-lišir//H

Commentary. Connections with other texts: the buyer of the prebend is also attested as the seller of the same kind of prebend in VS 15 4 (part of the Dannat-bēlti archive). The scribe Anu-uballiṭ/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU, also wrote VS 15 4 and other documents in the BM collection (see **No. 32-RE** for details and Table 45 above.). This allows the text to be dated to the co-regency of Antiochus I and his son, between 46 and 51 SE. For the scribe's career in Seleucid Uruk see § 8.1 above.

Obv. 1: the scribe wrote here the masculine classifier, but the PN, that we expect must have been placed on the next line. Due to the fragmentary conditions of the beginning of line 2, it is not clear if he repeated it before the name or not.

Obv. 13, *pa-qa'-ri*: the tablet reads šub.

Rev. 26, *lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur*: DN and determinative on the edge.

Rev. 27: The names of the two witnesses may be restored on the basis of BRM 2 14: Rev. 8, where the two Anu-mukīn-apli's are recorded exactly in the same way in the witness list: the scribe of the document is again Anu-uballiṭ/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU; repetition of the clan name when two individuals share the same, is an idiosyncrasy of his.

Rev. 28: Only one alphabetic scribe son of Arad-Ninurta is attested during the time-span covered by this document, namely Nidinti-Ištar; this corresponds to the seal caption on the lower edge: the restoration is thus sure (for the *sepīrus* stem see Clancier 2005, p. 100). R.e.: 'nu.téš, the logographic spelling of Lâbâši is used here only on the tablet. The general layout of the right edge is very unusual.

The text is arranged as follows: row 1 (above the seals impressions): *un-qa* for R.e.1 followed by PN1, PN2, PN3 and *un-qa* for R.e.4. Row 2 (seal impressions): S1 followed by *un-qa* for S2; S2 followed by *un-qa* for S3; S3; S4. Row 3 (below the seal impressions): juridical role for PN1, followed by PN4 (written logographically).

Note that the seals of this tablet are erroneously attributed by Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 208, to BM 105195.⁴⁸ They also omit the position of the seals on the tablet.

If seal impression #680k is the same as AUWE 19, no. 586A and #680g is the same as AUWE 19, no. 237A, as seems likely, they correspond respectively to those of the seals of Kidin-Anu/Mukīn-apli (W6) and Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti (W8).

⁴⁸ I wish to thank Christopher Walker for pointing me the correct tablet number's identification.

No. 26-P. Plate XXVI

Museum no.: BM 116687 (1924-12-13, 1)

Size: 8.2×8.9×3.1 (S)

Format: type 1a or 4a, n-a

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (46-51).x.7?; Antiochus I and Antiochus, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: (266-260).x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #682 and p. 253, #12; Pearce 2010, p. 319 and p. 323

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

- Obv. [']*ap-la-a* u *'ba-la-tu* dumu.meš *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a *'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur* ina hu-ud *'lib`-[bi-šú-nu]* re-bu-ú *šá* u₄-mu ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba-šú-nu ^{1u}ku₄ é-ú-tú igi ^den.líl ^dbe [^d30] ^dutu ^diškur ^damar.utu ^dna-na-a ^dgašan *šá* sag u dingir.meš é-šú-nu *gab-bi šá* iti-us-[su] [k]al mu.an.na *gu-uq-qa-né-e* ud èš.èš.meš u *mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na* giš.šub.ba mu.meš
- (5) *ik-kaš-ši-du šá* ki ^{1a}en.meš ha.la.meš-šú-nu *gab-bi a-na* 2/3 ma.na 2 gín kù.babbar *is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá* 'an-ti-'i-ku-'su' *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na* šá ^{1m}til.meš *a-na* ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a *'é-kur-za-kir a-na* [u₄-mu *ša-a-tu₄* i]t-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 2/3 ma.na 2 gín sám re-bu-ú ina ud.14.kám giš.[šub.ba ^{1u}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš] *'ap-la-a* u *'ba-la-tu* dumu.meš *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu
- (10) *ma-hir-' e-tir-'* u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri* <ana> *muh-hi re-bu-ú* ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1u}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú* *'ap-la-a* u *'ba-la-tu* ^{1u}na-din-na-' giš.šub.ba mu.meš dumu.meš *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a-di 12-ta.àm *ú-mar-<raq>-ma-a'* a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu 'du' mu *šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tu₄* ina-an-din-' *pu-ut a-ha-meš a-na mu-ru-qa* [šá] 'giš.šub.ba mu.meš *'ap-la-a* u *'ba-la-tu a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tu₄* 'na`-[šú-ú]
- Rev (approx. 4 lines lost)
- (1') x x x 'a *'hun-zu-ú* ^{1d}x[...]
[...] dumu *šá* ^{1d}utu-mu-nu dumu *šá* *'ta-nit-tu₄*-^d60 'diš'
[...]-x ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu *šá* *'ina-qi-bit-*^d60 a` [...]
[...]-ú ^{1d}30-ba-nu-nu [dumu *šá*] ' [...]-nu?' 'ni?-[...]
- (5') [...] *'ba-as-si-ia* dumu *šá* ' [... a] ' ¹é-kur-za-k[ir ...]
[...]-x-x-x'kur-i(?) ^{1d}60-ba-[šá]-'an'-nu(?) [dumu *šá*] ' ¹šeš-ki-^d60 a ^{1d}3[0²-ti-ér]
[...]-^d60-gi a *'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur* 'ri-hat-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-i[ṭ]
[...]-mar-^diškur 'ú-'bar' 'dumu *šá* ' [... a] 'kur-i
[... ^{1u}umbisag du]mu *šá* 'ki-^d60-hé.nun a ^{1d}30-[ti-ér un]u^{ki}it'x' [ud.]7.kám
[mu.x.kám ^{1a}]n-ti-'-i-ku-su u 'an-[ti]-'-i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. [un-qa] ^{1d}30-ba-nu-nu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-din-iṭ [un-qa] 'ki-din-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}60-din-iṭ [un-qa] ^{1d}60-š[eš-...]
R.e. un-qa 'ap-la'-a [^{1u}na-din] giš.šub.ba mu.meš un-qa 'ba-l[a-tu]
B.e. un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-[qa...]
U.e. [un-qa] 'ni-din-tu₄-^d60 [un-qa] 'ki-din-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}60-š[eš-m]u-nu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-nu [un-qa] '[...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (?)

Translation. Aplāya and Balātu/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA voluntarily sold in perpetuity to Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ 1/4 of day in day 14, their *ērib bītūtu* prebend before Enlil, Ea, Sin, Šamaš, Adad, Marduk, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqū* and *eššešu* offerings and whatever pertains to that prebend, which is with their co-owners, for 2/3 m 2 š of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 2/3 m 2 š, price of 1/4 of day 14, that *ērib bītūtu* prebend, Aplāya and Balātu/Anu-māru-ittannu received from the hands of Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu. They are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to 1/4 in day 14, that *ērib bītūtu* prebend, Aplāya and Balātu, the sellers of that prebend, sons of Anu-māru-ittannu will clear it 12-fold and give it forever to Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu. Aplāya and Balātu mutually guarantee the clearing from claims of that prebend, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1?: [...]

W2?: [...]/H

W3?: [...]

W4'(?): [...]

W5': [...]/Šamaš-ittannu/Tanittu-Anu

W6': [...]

W7': L.e.2/4(?)=Anu-uballit/Ina-qibīt-Anu(?)//[...]

W8': [...]

W9'=L.e.1: Sîn-bānūnu/[...]

W10': [...]
 W11': Bassiya/[...]/EZ
 W12': [...]/K
 W13'=U.e.4: Anu-iqīšanni/Širki-Anu//SLU?
 W14': [...]/Anu-ušallim/LA
 W15': Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA?
 W16': Ubar/[...]/K

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.2=: Anu-uballit
 W?=L.e.3=: Kidin-Anu
 W?=L.e.4=680i: Anu-uballit
 W?=L.e.5=680b: Anu-ahu-...
 B.e.1=680c: lost
 W?=B.e.2=680d: lost
 W?=B.e.3=680k: lost
 W?=B.e.4=lost: lost
 W?=B.e.5=680j: lost
 W?=B.e.6=lost: lost
 W?=U.e.1=682a: Nidinti-Anu
 W?=U.e.2=682l: Kidin-Anu
 W?=U.e.3=680h: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 W?=U.e.5=680e: lost

Scribe: [Anu-uballit]/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU. Uruk. ..., day 7, year ..., Antiochus and Antiochus, his son, the kings.

Seller1+Clearer1=Co-guarantor1=R.e.1= 680f: Aplāya/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA
 Seller2+Clearer2=Co-guarantor2=R.e.2=680g: Balātu/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA
 Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ

Commentary. It is possible that the buyer of this prebend is Lābāši's cousin: this would fit in well with the fact that its object is a prebend of the temple-enterer of Enlil; Lābāši and other members of his family seem in fact to have had a clear preference for the service of temple-enterer of this god (instead of Anu; see § 6.1.1 above).

The document is clearly connected to **No. 43-P**: they feature the same buyer and scribe, and are both dated to the co-regency of Antiochus I and his son. Despite the fragmentary state of preservation of the year number in the date formula, the date for the present tablet may be set to the time range SE 46-51. It is maybe worth noting that the two tablets feature deep scratches on the reverse, looking like voiding lines. Are the two documents void copies of earlier documents, preserved as memoranda in the archive they originally belonged to, or shall we interpret them as pure accidental? Mitchell's proposal that the document is dated to day 27 must be discarded;⁴⁹ as is clear from the tablet there is no room for any digit before the 7.

Obv. 2-3: same sequence of deities in a number of documents: see Table 27, above.

Obv. 5, ha.la.meš-šū-nu: last sign is added on top of next sign, in smaller script.

Obv. 11, ^una-din-na-': all signs signs are clearly visible on the tablet, while not from the picture.

Obv. 12, ^u60-numun-mu: last sign clearly visible on the tablet.

⁴⁹ Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 208.

No. 27-RE. Plate XXVII

Museum no.: BM 114421 (1920-6-15, 17)

Size: 8.6×9.5×3.2 (S)

Format: type 1b, compact (slightly irreg.)

Date SE: 53.VII.17, Antiochus II

Date BC: 259.X.08

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #686 and p. 253, #15; Pearce 2010, p. 323

Description (type of transaction): sale of *kišubbû*, in the district of the Market Gate. NSWE

- Obv. [...]-mu[?] a.meš^{1d2?}[...]
 [... -t]i ká ganba šá qé-reb unug^{ki}
 [...]'ki-šub-ba-a-šú 20 kùš uš an-ú 'im's[i.sá da] mu[?]
 [... ki]-ú^{im}u₁₈.lu 'da' é^{1d60}-din-su^{-e} (?)
 (5) 'x' [... -d]i-ru-su[?] dumu šá 'man-nu-[...]]^{im}mar.tu da 'é' [...]
 [...]'šeš.meš(?)' [] [i]^mkur.ra da ki-[...]
 'a'' []^{1d60}-en(?)'-[]-x-'ad[?]'-x' [...]
 'x' [...] 'ki-šub-ba-a' mu.'meš'
 (10) 'x []-ú gab-'bi'
 'a-na¹(?)' [...] 'x' ina 'x' [traces] x x x x [...]
 x [] x 'ana-gal-^{d60} dumu šá^{1d60}-su x x []
 'x' [... i]t-tan-nu- kù.babbar a₄ 10 'gín šám' [...] 'mu[?].[meš]
 []^{d60} ^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu u¹ 'ri[?]-x-x' [...]
 (15) ['ana]-gal-^{d60} dumu ša^{1d60}-su dumu šá [...]
 [] 'ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš x []
 Rev. [a]-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq-ú-ma a-'na[?] 'ana-gal-^{d60} [...]
 pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš a-na 'u₄-mu ša-a-tú x x' [x]-'x'-meš
 na-šu-ú ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš šá 'ana-gal-^{d60} dumu šá^{1d60}-su a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
 (20) ¹⁰mu-kin₇ 'tat-tan-nu dumu šá^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu a 'hun-zu-ú
^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá^{1d60} 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} a <šá> ^{1d60}-numun-giš a 'hun-zu-ú
^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá^{1d60} 'tat-tan-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir
^{1d60}-šeš-gál-ši dumu šá^{1d60} 'šá-^{d60}-iš-šu-ú a 'é-kur-za-kir
 'la-ba-ši dumu šá^{1d60} 'inanna-mu-kám a 'šeš-'ú-tú
 (25) ^{1d60}inanna-mu-kám dumu šá^{1d60} 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} a 'hun-zu-ú
^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá^{1d60} 'ana-gal-ka-^{d60} a 'šeš-'ú-tú
^{1d60}ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá^{1d60} 'din-iṭ a 'ba-ša-a a 'šeš-'ú-tú
^{1d60}numun-giš-ir² dumu šá^{1d60} 'dumu-mu-nu a 'šeš-'ú-tú
 'ri-hat-^dinanna dumu šá^{1d60} 'mu-nu a 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ^{1d60}-du-a a <šá> ^{1d60}-šeš.meš-mu a 'šu-^{d60}
 (30) ^{1d60}-ad-šeš dumu šá^{1d60} 'numun-mu a 'hun-zu-ú 'ki-din-^{d60} dumu šá^{1d60} 'kar-^{d60} a 'šá-^{d60}-liš-lim
 (1 blank line, very thin)
 '1^{d60}-su¹⁰šid dumu šá^{1d60} 'gal-^{d60} unug^{ki}iti^{du}₆ ud.17.kám mu.53.kám 'an-ti-'ku-su [lugal]
- L.e. 'un-qa[?] ^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu un-qa 'la-ba-ši un-qa ^{1d60}-ad-šeš un-qa 'ki-din-^{d60}
 R.e. [u]n-qa ^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu un-qa [...] 'un-qa' [...]
 B.e. [un-qa] 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} [un-qa] 'tat-tan-n[un] [un-qa NP]
 U.e. [un]-qa [NP] <un>-qa [NP] un-qa [NP] un-qa [NP] un-qa [NP] un-[qa] [^{1d60}]-'šeš-gál-ši'

Dossier. n-a

Translation. (... -Anu, Anu-ahu-ittannu and ...) sold to Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-eriba ... (in the district of the) Market Gate of the city of Uruk, ... his undeveloped lot: 20 cubits, the upper long side to the north ... lower (long side) to the south, adjoining the house of ... -ros/Mannu-... (?) ... to the west adjoining the house of ... east, adjoining the undeveloped lot ... that undeveloped lot ... all The silver, 10 š, full price of ... -Anu, Anu-ahu-ittannu and ... (received from the hands of) Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-eriba (with regard to) this undeveloped lot ... will clear it 12-fold ... to Ana-rabûti-Anu ...; ... mutually guarantee the clearing from claims of that undeveloped plot, forever. That undeveloped plot belongs to Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-eriba in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.2=lost: Tattannu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H

W2=L.e.1=lost: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zêru-lišir//H

W3=?=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Tattannu//EZ

W4=U.e.5=lost: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

W5=L.e.2=lost: Lâbâši/Ištar-šuma-êreš//Ah

W6=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûtika-Anu//Ah
 W7=B.e.1=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit/lqīšaya//Ah
 W8=??: Anu-zēru-lišir-x/Anu-māru-ittannu//Ah
 W9=??: Rihat-lštar/Anu-ittannu//LA
 W10=??: Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA
 W11=L.e.3=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zēru-iddin//H
 W12=L.e.4=686h: Kidin-Anu/Mušeziḫ-Anu//Ša-Anu-lišlim

Scribe: Anu-erība/Rabi-Anu. Uruk. Tašrītu, day 17, year 53, Antiochus the king

Seller(s)=Clearers: Anu-ahu-ittannu/[...] and [...]

Buyer: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-erība

Commentary. Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-erība, the buyer of the empty plot recorded in our document, might be the same individual who is involved in the quitclaim concerning the rights over a built-on house and its associated empty plot located in the district of the Ištar Gate in SE 67 (YOS 20 31); he is also mentioned in the onomastic chain of his wife, Adēšu-ṭabāt, who buys an undeveloped plot in the same district in SE 36 (BiMes 24 14), selling it to a shepherd 15 years later with a transaction recorded in BRM 2 14 (SE 51); the empty plot had been substantially improved in the meantime (a house now exists on the property) and the property is sold for almost 3 times its original purchase price. It is also likely that the quitclaim recorded in YOS 20 31 involves the same property or one located in its vicinity, as the description of its borders suggest. Judging from the seal impressions on the right edge, the sellers of the property in our tablet might be three in total (or two and the guarantor).

W12 might be the same Kidin-Anu who acts in BRM 2 13 as the seller of shares in the *rab banûtu* prebend to L/AZI//EZ. The two documents date only four years apart (BRM 2 13: SE 49; BM 114421: SE 53). The seal of Kidin-Anu in BRM 2 13 might correspond to AUWE 19, no. 664; while not perfectly preserved it is likely that the same seal is used in our tablet (L.e.4; Mitchell, Searight 2008, #686h)

W2 might be the same Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēr-lišir//H who acts as witness in BRM 2 14; while not perfectly preserved there, his seal might be the same as used here, and a correspondence with AUWE 19, no. 936 seems thus plausible; if this were the case, the identification of W2 with the Anu-ahu-ittannu sealing in first position on the L.e. would be confirmed.

Scribe of the contract is Anu-erība/Rabi-Anu: and individual by the same name, belonging to the Kurî family, acts in the same capacity in a number of other contracts; the identification between the two seems thus plausible.

Although the reverse of the tablet is very neatly written, a number of peculiar features and format mistakes characterise it: first is a mixture of tabulation and continuous lines in the WL: this is tabulated from the third (Rev. 22) to the seventh line (Rev. 28); the last two lines run continuous maybe for the scribe to be able to complete the list, as a result of the fact that he did not correctly calculate the space on the surface. This induced him to use a instead of dumu, and omit šá in Rev. 29, where the writing also spills onto the edge. He moreover traced lines to fill in the blanks that separate the columns of the witness list. In addition, a shorter form of the king's name (not including the sign for the vowel *i*) is used in the date formula, which develops over one line only and the L.e. is written upside down, compared to usual orientation.

No. 28-P. Plate XXVIII

Museum no.: BM 105170 (1913-4-16, 2)
 Size: 8.2×10.3×3.3 (M)
 Format: type 2a, split
 Place: [Uruk]
 Date: SE 55.IV.01, Antiochus II
 Date BC: 257.VII.03
 Bibliography: HANE/M 8, pp. 179-180
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #688
 Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=688f/U.e.4=688e: Anu-uballit/Iqīšaya//Ah
 W2=U.e.2=688o/L.e.2=688l: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Iqīšaya//Ah (son of W1)
 W3=B.e.3=688a: Anu-šumu-lišir/Anu-abu-ušur//H
 W4=L.e.3=688h: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-šumu-lišir/Anu-abu-ušur//H (his son)
 W5=L.e.1=688k: Ištar-šumu-erēš/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W6=U.e.1=688f/U.e.=688e4: Anu-uballit/ Nanāya-iddin//Ah
 W7=B.e.4=lost: Anu-abu-utēr/Anu-ikšur//Ah
 W8=B.e.2=688g: Rihat-Ištar/ Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ
 W9=U.e.3=688b: Rihat-Anu/ Anu-iqīšannu//SLU
 W10=B.e.1=688l: Iqīšaya/Anu-ahu-iddin//H
 W11=U.e.2=688i/L.e.2: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit//H
 W12=L.e.4=688j: Tattannu/...

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU

Seller=co-guarantor=Ri.e.1=688d: Tanittu-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Tanittu-Anu//Ah
 Clearer=co-guarantor=Ri.e.2=c: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Tanittu-Anu/Iqīšaya//Ah
 Co-guarantors: Tanittu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu
 Buyer=Co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The prebend under consideration here is connected to the service of temple-enterer of Enlil. Lâbâši is the buyer and also a co-owner. On Lâbâši and his temple-enterer's prebends, see HANE/M 8, pp. 77-84, Corò 2005b, and above, § 6.1.1. Second line of the date formula, slightly across the edge. The arrangement of the captions on the right and left edge is slightly messy compared to the norm and resembles that of the right edge of **No. 33-RE**. Unfortunately the name of the scribe of that tablet is not preserved. Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008 L1-L4 correspond to L.e.4-L.e.1 here.

No. 29-P. Plate XXIX

Museum no.: BM 105197 (1913-4-16, 29)//BM 109960
 Size: 7.8×9.3×00 (S)
 Format: type 2a, split
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 55.IX.17, Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.
 Date BC: 257.XII.13
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 323-324. Pearce, HBTIN, P342293 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight, #689; Pearce 2010, 306 fn. 28 and p. 324
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=689g: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W2=L.e.1=689c: Anu-ikšur/Ina-qibīt-Anu(?)//Ah
 W3=U.e.2=689j: Tanittu-Anu/Balātu//LA
 W4=L.e.2=689a/L.e.3=689f: Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//Ah
 W5=L.e.2=689a/L.e.3=689f: Anu-uballit/Lâbâši//K
 W6=B.e.3=689h: Līšir...//GA
 W7=B.e.2=689i: Anu-mukīn-apli/Līšir//...
 W8=??: ...//H
 W9=U.e.3=689b: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//...
 W10=??: ...//LA
 W11=L.e.4=689d: Anu-ahhē-iddin//...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.4=689e: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 W?=B.e.1=689k: ?

Scribe: Anu-uballit//...

Seller=co-owner2=guarantor=Ri.e.=689l: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//KM
 Buyer=co-owner1: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. See HANE/M 8, pp. 323-324. Duplicate of **No. 30-P.**

No. 30-P. Plate XXX

Museum no.: BM 109960 (1914-4-4, 26)//BM 105197
 Size: 7.3×8.9×3.6 (S)
 Format: type 2^a, split
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 55.IX.17, Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.
 Date BC: 257.XII.13
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 325-326. Pearce, HBTIN, P342294 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #754 and p. 254, #40
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=lost: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W2=L.e.1=754a: Anu-ikšur/Ina-qibīt-Anu(?)//Ah
 W3=U.e.2=754e: Tanittu-Anu/Balāṭu//LA
 W4=L.e.2=754b/L.e.3=754c: Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//Ah
 W5=L.e.2=754b/L.e.3=754c: Anu-uballit/Lâbâši//K
 W6=B.e.3=754d: Lišir...//GA
 W7=B.e.2=754f: Anu-mukīn-apli/Lišir//...
 W8=?=? : ...//H
 W9=U.e.3=lost: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//...
 W10=?=? : ...//LA
 W11=L.e.4=754g: Anu-ahhē-iddin/...//...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.4=lost: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 W?=B.e.1=lost: ?

Scribe: Anu-uballit/...//...

Seller=co-owner2=guarantor=Ri.e.=lost: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//KM
 Buyer=co-owner1: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. Cf. also Mitchell, Searight 2008, pp. 312 and p. 314.

No. 31-P. Plate XXXI

Museum no.: BM 109946 (1914-4-4, 12)

Size: 6.3×11.1×3.4 (nd)

Format: type 4a, split

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 57.3.13, Antiochus II, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 255.VI.24

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 149-151

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #691 and p. 253, 16.⁵⁰ Pearce, HBTIN, P342275 (collations). Pearce 2010, pp. 316 and pp. 322-323

Description (type of transaction): sale of *āšipūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//GA

W2=??: U.e.3=691e: Rihat-Ištar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ

W3=??: U.e.3=691e: Rihat-Ištar/Anu-ahu-iddin//EZ

W4=L.e.1=691a: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Lâbâši//H

W5=??: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H

W6=L.e.2=691b: Ušuršu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//H

W7: U.e.1=691e: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Dumqi-Anu

W8=U.e.2=691d: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA

W9=??: Anu-bêlšunu/Tanittu-Anu//LA

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.4=691c: lost

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nušū//SLU

Seller1=lost=Ri.e.1=: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Seller2=lost=lost: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Buyer=co-owner1: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. Mitchell's date to be corrected to 255 BC. (Lâbâši is the buyer). See HANE/M 8, pp. 149-151 and pp. 81-84. See also above, ch. 6.1.2.

Note the following correspondences: Mitchell, Searight 2008, L1= L.e.2 and L2=L.e.1.

⁵⁰ Note that the tablet is referred to there as BM 119946, a mistake for 109946.

No. 32-RE. Plate XXXII

Museum no.: BM 109938 (1914-4-4, 4)

Size: 8.4×10.5×3.5 (M)

Format: Type 2a, compact

Date SE: 57.III.16, Antiochus II

Date BC: 255.VI.27

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #692.

Description (type of transaction): quitclaim concerning houses and undeveloped plots; district lost (Šamaš Gate?). NSWE

- Obv. [mim-ma dib-bi di.ku₃ù] 'ra 'ga-mu šá^{1d}60-šeš. 'meš'-mu dumu šá^{1d}[60-šeš-mu-nu ...] x
 [] 'im⁷? ana muh-hi é.meš u ki-šub-ba.meš ki⁷-'[ti]
 ina² [šá qé]-'reb⁷ unug^{ki} uš an-ú^{imr} si.sá da []
 'ina-qí-bit-^d60(?) dumu šá^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir uš ki-ú⁷ [im^u₁₈.lu da]
- (5) 'x x x x' sag.ki an.ta^{im} mar.tu da ki-[šub-ba]
 'x x x x' a 'é-kur-za-kir sag.ki ki.ta^{im} kur.ra [da sila rap-šú]
 [mu-taq dingir]. 'meš⁷ u lugal šá a-na ká⁷ gal^utu ka-x-la-x' 10/u []
 'x x x x' -ú-tú x² ba-šu-ú it⁷-ti 'la-ba-ši dumu šá^{1d}
^{1d}60-'numun-mu' a 'é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú 'ia-a-nu'
- (10) 'ul i-šal-laṭ-ma^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu é.meš u ki-šub-ba.meš 'mu.meš'
 a-na kù.babbar a-na¹⁰ ri-mut-ú-tú u a-na¹⁰ nu-'dun-nu-ú a-na¹⁰
¹⁰e-peš šu-bu-ú-tú u mim-ma 'gab-bi¹⁰ man²-am²-ma
 šá-nam-ma gab-bi e-lat 'la-ba-ši dumu šá^{1d}60-'numun-[mu a 'é-kur-za-k]ir
- Rev. [ul id-di]n u ul i-nam-din u ki-i it-tan-nu u ki-i
- (15) [id-din u]l ú-šu-zu é.meš u ki-šub-ba.meš mu.meš lib-bu-ú
 [é mu.meš u ki-šub-ba.me]š-šú gab-bi šá 'la-ba-ši dumu šá^{1d}60-numun-mu a 'é-kur-za-kir
 [a-na u₄-mu ša]-a-tú šú-nu šá-ta-ri.meš gab-bi šá é.meš u ki-šub-ba.meš
 [ina m]u šá^{1d}60-ses.mes-mu dumu šá^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu u^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši dumu šá
 [...]-'gi⁷? a 'kur-i šá-tar-ri.meš a-šar šá i-kaš-ši-du-'
- (20) [šá 'la-ba]-ši dumu šá^{1d}60-numun-mu a 'é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu
 [1^{1d}]mu⁷-kin⁷ ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá^{1d} ana-gal-ka-^d60 a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}utu-mu-nu
 dumu šá^{1d} ta-nit-tú-^d60 a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}utu-mu-nu u 'ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu.meš šá^{1d}60-din-iṭ
 dumu šá^{1d} ba-šá-a a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}utu-mu-nu dumu šá^{1d} tat-tan-nu a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}
^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu šá^{1d}60-din-su-e a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá^{1d} ta-nit-tú-^d60 a 'šeš⁷-ú-tú^{1d}
- (25) ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá^{1d} man-nu-ki-i-^ddil.bat a 'hun-zu-u^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu 'a ['é-k]ur'
 a 'é-kur-za-kir 'ir-a-de-e-šú dumu šá^{1d} ni-din-tu₄-^d60
^{1d}60-din-iṭ¹⁰umbisag dumu šá^{1d} ki-^d60-hé.nun a^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki} ⁱⁱⁱsig₄ ud.16.kám
- (U.e.) mu.57.kám [] 'an-ti-'i-ku-su lugal
- L.e. [un-qa^{1d}]utu-mu-nu un-qa^{1d} ni-din-tu₄-^d60 un-qa^{1d}utu⁷-mu-nu
 R.e. un-qa^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu¹⁰ na-din zu-ku mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa ['^{1d}]utu-mu-nu un-qa^{1d}60-numun-mu un-qa^{1d} 'ir-a-de-e-šú
 U.e. un-qa [...] un-qa^{1d}60-ad-gur un-qa^{1d} ni-din-tu₄-^d60 un-qa^{1d} [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ)

Translation. There will be no lawsuit, legal proceeding and claim by Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu ... against Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, with regard to these houses and undeveloped plots, in the ... in Uruk, upper long side, to the north, adjoining ... Anu-bêlšunu//EZ; lower long side, to the south, adjoining ...; upper short side, to the west, adjoining the undeveloped plot ... //EZ; lower short side, to the east, adjoining the wide street, way of the gods and the king, ... to the Šamaš Gate, forever. He will have no power of disposition. Anu-ahhē-iddin has not given, nor will he give these houses and undeveloped plots in exchange for money, as a gift, as part of a dowry, for whatever reason, in any way and to anybody else except to Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ and if he will give it or has given it, it will not be valid. The houses and undeveloped plots, as many as there are, belong to Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity. All the written documents of these houses and undeveloped plots ... in the name of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu and Anu-ahu-ušabši/...-iddin//K, the written documents, wherever they are found, belong to Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=692h/U.e.4=692i: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûtika-Anu//Ah

W2=L.e.1=692f/L.e.3=692b: Šamaš-ittannu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah

W3=L.e.1=692f/L.e.3=692b: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-uballit/Iqīšaya//Ah

W4=L.e.2=692k/U.e.3=692g: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Iqīšaya//Ah

W5=B.e.1(?)=692c: Šamaš-ittannu/Tattannu//Ah

W6=U.e.2=692d: Anu-abu-utēr/Anu-balässu-iqbi//Ah

W7=L.e.2=692k/U.e.3=692g: Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah
 W8=U.e.1=692h/U.e.4=692i: Nanāya-iddin/Mannu-ki-lštar//H
 W9=B.e.2=692e: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ
 W10=B.e.3=692a: Arad-adēšu/Nidinti-Anu

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU. Uruk. Simānu, day 16, year 57, Antiochus the king.

Ceding right: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu(//K?)
 Has right: Lābāši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ
 Previous owner1: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu(//K?) – docs written in his name
 Previous owner2: Anu-ahu-ušabši/...-iddin//K – docs written in his name
 N-neighbour: .../Anu-bēlšunu//EZ
 S-neighbour: (lost)
 W-neighbour:...//EZ
 E-neighbour: wide street, way of the gods and the kings, ... to the Šamaš Gate

Commentary. The tablet records Lābāši's rights to properties, consisting of houses and undeveloped plot. The name of the district is lost; however, it is possible that it is the Šamaš Gate, since one of them adjoins the public street "passage-way of the gods and the king" in connection (perhaps leading?) to this Gate and the same street is referred to in **No. 45-RE**, a document recording the purchase of a house and undeveloped plot in the district of the Šamaš Gate by Lābāši himself, 12 years later.

Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU, the scribe of the actual contract, is also the author of a number of other tablets in the BM collection (see **Nos. 18-P; 24-P; 25-P; 26-P(?), 28-P; 31-P; 34-P; 43-P**) and elsewhere (e.g. BRM 2 11; 12; 13; 14 and 15; VDI 1955/4 2; YOS 20 22, 23, 25, 27 and 29). He appears as a guarantor, with his brother Dumqi-Anu, in BiMes 24 5.

Three witnesses named Šamaš-ittannu are mentioned in the WL. The identification of W5 with the one sealing on the B.e. is perhaps possible on the basis of the identity of the seal impression with AUWE 19, no. 391: if this is correct, we are dealing here with Šamaš-ittannu/Tattannu//Ah, who also witnessed BRM 2 15.

The tablet is significantly wider than it is high, showing a definite rectangular shape instead of the more common almost square one. Lines with writing spilling on the edge: Obv. 1, 12-13. Rev. 17-18, Rev. 24-25 and 27.

Obv. 8: sign id written over a preceding gab?

Obv. 11-12: the use of the determinative (lú) in this context is unusual (same use in BiMes 24 48; note that the scribes of the two documents are different).

Obv. 13: two oblique strokes, slightly impressed, crossing the first two signs.

Rev. 15: The order of the two verbs in this sentence is unusual.

Rev. 17, *šú-nu*: both signs written over erasure.

Rev. 25: the sign A is not visible from the photograph but clear on the tablet. The scribe begun to write the clan name EZ at the end of the line, spilling onto the edge; probably he realised it did not fit the available space and decided to erase it (only a few traces are still extant) and re-write it at the beginning of the following line.

W2 and W8: the use of *tú* instead of *tu*₄ for the name of Tanittu-Anu is unusual. It occurs in a few more documents: YOS 20 14 (scribe: Itti-Anu-nuhšu/Anu-bēlšunu; SE 26); BRM 2 14 and HANE/M 8, pp. 149-151 (**No. 31-P**), written by the same scribe as our tablet (Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU: SE 51 and SE 57, respectively); BiMes 24 19 (dated to SE 89), CM 12 2 (SE 72), OECT 9 19 (SE 78) and OECT 9 20 (SE 89), all written by Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU: unsurprisingly they represent three subsequent generations of the same family. For the scribe belonging to the SLU clan, see above § 8.1).

The same spelling is also attested in HANE/M 8, pp. 403-404 (**No. 52-P**), where the name of the scribe is lost: Lābāši is however involved in the transaction.

It is interesting to note that a variant and also not very common spelling is attested for the clan name of W8, too (the scribe writes *'hun-zu-u* instead of the more common *'hun-zu-ú*); among the scribes using it are Anu-ahu-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//EZ (BiMes 24 6, SE 121), Anu-uballit/Anu-ahhe-iddin//SLU (VS 15 51, the name is lost but due to the use of this variant it looks very likely, date lost; YOS 20 4//05, dated SE 12) and again Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU (TCL 13 23, SE 79; OECT 9 27, SE 82; YOS 20 30, SE 65).

The authors of two more documents featuring this spelling (BiMes 24 17 and YOS 20 96) are not known.

Date formula: The second line of the date formula runs across the U.e.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L1=L.e.3; L2=L.e.2; L3=L.e.3 in our tablet.

No. 33-RE. Plate XXXIII

Museum no.: BM 109950 (1914-4-4, 16)

Size: 8.6×10.2×3.2 (M)

Format: type n-a (fragmentary)

Place: (Uruk)

Date SE: 58.x.4, Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 254/253.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #693

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bitu u kišubbû* in the district of the Šamaš Gate; NSWE

- Obv. ^{1d}60-du-a ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu *dumu.meš šá* ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹ki-din-^d60 *u* ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 *dumu.meš šá*
¹na-na-a-mu *šeš-šú-nu dumu šá* ¹ki-din-^d60 a.meš ¹é-kur-za-kir *ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu* 4 *ha-an-za*
 ha.la-šú-nu *šá* ki *ha-an-za* ha.la *ša* ^{1d}60-ik-šur *šeš-šú-nu dumu šá* ¹ki-din-^d60 *šá ina mi-šil* ha.la
šá ¹ki-din-^d60 *ad-šú-nu dumu šá* ^{1d}60-du-a *šá* ki ^{1d}60-din-su-e *šeš-šú dumu šá* ^{1d}60-du-a
 (5) *šá ina é u ki-šub-ba-a šá ina* ki-tì ká gal ^dutu¹ *šá qé-reb unug*^{ki} 40 kùš uš an-ú
^{imsi}.[sá d]a sila *rap-šú mu-taq* dingir.meš u lugal 40 1/3 kùš uš ki-ú^{imsu}₁₈.lu
^da é ¹la-ba-ši ^{1d}ma-hi-ra-nu é u ¹ki-šub-ba-a mu¹.meš ^dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu sag.ki
 an.ta^{imsu}mar.ta da ki-šub-ba *šá* dumu.meš *šá* ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 *dumu šá* ¹ki-din-^d60 sag.ki
 ki.ta^{imsu}kur.ra da sila *rap-šú mu-taq* dingir.meš u lugal šu.nigin uš.meš ù sag.ki.meš
 (10) *meš-hat é u k*[i-šub-ba-a m]u.meš 4 *ha-an-za ina é u* ¹ki-šub-ba-a¹ mu.meš *ma-la*
 ha.la-šú-nu *ga*[b-bi] ¹šá ki¹ *ha-an-za* ha.la *šá* ^{1d}60-ik-šur *šeš-šú-nu šá ina mi-šil* ha.la
¹šá ¹ki-din-60 ¹ad-šú-nu *šá* ki *mi-šil* ha.la ¹šá¹ ^{1d}60-din-¹su-e¹ *šeš-šú dumu šá* ^{1d}60-du-a *i-ši*
u ma-a-du ma-la [ba-šú-ú gab-bi a-na] 1'4 gín¹ kù.babbar *is-ta-tir-ri*.meš *šá* ¹an-ti-'ku-[su]
 [ba]b-'ba-nu'-[ú-tú] a-na ¹la-ba-ši *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir
 (15) [] kù.babbar a₄ 14' gín šám 4 *ha-an-za*
 Rev. [...]
 [...]
 [...]
 4 *ha-an-za* ...]
 (20) ¹ki-din-^d60 *u* ¹ni-[din-tu₄-^d60 *kur-za -kira-di*
 12-ta.àm a-na [¹la-ba-ši *dumu ša* ^{1d}60-numun-mu *é* *pu-ut a-ha-m]eš*
¹a-na¹ mu-ru-qu ^{1d}60-¹m¹[u? ...]
¹ša-a-tú na-šú-ú [... *-ši]*¹a ¹é-kur-za-kir
¹a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú i*[t?-]-¹ri¹ *ana muh-hi*
 (25) *é u ki-šub-b*[a-a mu.meš ...]-tu₄-^d60
na-šú-ú [...] *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-gi
¹a ¹hun-zu-ú(?) [...] ¹tat-tan-nu
 [a ¹é-kur-z[a-kir ...] *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu
 [] ¹x' ¹ir-^dmaš
 (30) [...]
 [] u]d.5.kám mu.58.kám
 [] ¹an-ti-'i-ku-s]u lugal
- L.e. ¹un-qa ¹ir-^dmaš *un-qa* ¹ki-din-^d60 [un-qa] ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60
 R.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}60-du-a *un-qa* ¹la-ba-ši¹ *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu *un-qa* ¹k[i-din-^d60 *un-qa ni-din-tu₄-^d60]* ^{1d}na-din-na-¹ é u
ki-šub-ba mu.meš [...]
 B.e. *un-qa* [...] *un-qa* [...] *un-qa* [...]

U.e. [un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš]-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu [un-qa] ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-din-iṭ

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Translation. Anu-mukîn-apli, Lâbâši, Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu, Kidin-Anu and Nidinti-Anu/Nanāya-iddin, their brother, son of Kidin-Anu, (all) descendents of EZ, voluntarily sold to Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ: four-fifths, their share, which is with one fifth, the share of Anu-ikšur, their brother, son of Kidin-Anu, (all of it which) is part in one half, share of Kidin-Anu, their father, son of Anu-mukîn-apli, which is together with Anu-balâssu-iqbi, his brother, son Anu-mukîn-apli, (all these shares) in the house and undeveloped plot that is in the district of Šamaš Gate in the city of Uruk, 40 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the wide street, alley of the gods and the king; 40 and 1/3 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin, the buyer of this house and undeveloped plot, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the undeveloped plot of the sons of Lâbâši-Anu/Kidin-Anu; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the wide street alley of the gods and the king; total: long and short sides, measurement of this house and undeveloped plot, four-fifths in this house and undeveloped plot, all of their share which is one-fifth, the share of Anu-ikšur their brother, which is part of one half, the share of Kidin-Anu their father, which is with one-half the share of Anu-balâssu-iqbi, his brother, son of Anu-mukîn-apli, as much as there is, of all it, for the full price of 14 š of silver, q.g. staters of Antiochus, The silver, 14 š, price of 4-fifths 4-fifths ... Kidin-Anu and Nidinti-Anu ... 12-fold to Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin ... mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims ...; ... Ekur-zâkir, in perpetuity. ... house and undeveloped plot ...

Witnesses:

W?: .../Anu-ušallim

W?: .../Tattannu//EZ

W?: .../Anu-māru-ittannu

W?: ... Arad-Ninurta

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.1=693d: Arad-Ninurta

W?=L.e.2=693b: Kidin-Anu

W?=L.e.3=lost: Nidinti-Anu

W?=B.e.1=693c: lost

W?=B.e.2=693l: lost

W?=B.e.3=693m: lost

W?=U.e.1=693k: Anu-ahhē-iddin

W?=U.e.2=693b: Anu-ahu-iddin

W?=U.e.3=693f: Nidinti-Anu

W?=U.e.4=693g: Anu-uballit

Scribe: ... day 5, year 58 ... Antiochus, the king.

Seller1(=Clearer)=R.e.1=693a: Anu-mukîn-apli/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Seller2(=Clearer)=R.e.2=693e: Lâbâši/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Seller3(=Clearer)=R.e.3=693i: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Seller4=Clearer=R.e.4=693j: Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Seller5=Clearer=R.e.5=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Co-owner (not selling): Anu-ikšur/Kidin-Anu(//EZ)

Original co-owner1: Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukîn-apli(//EZ)

Original co-owner2: Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli(//EZ)

(mentioned only in the onomastic chain; brother of the Seller1-2-3; uncle of Seller4 and 5): Nanāya-iddin/Kidin-Anu//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

N-neighbour: wide street, way of the gods and the king

S-neighbour=buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin(//EZ)

W-neighbour: sons of Lâbâši-Anu/Kidin-Anu

E-neighbour: wide street, way of the gods and the king

Commentary. Buyer of the property described in this tablet is Lâbâši/AZI//EZ. He purchases the 4/5 of a house and undeveloped plot of urban land, in the district of the Šamaš Gate, that belongs jointly to three brothers (Anu-mukîn-apli, Lâbâši and Anu-ahu-ittannu) and two of their nephews (Kidin-Anu and Nidinti-Anu, who clearly inherited their share from their father Nanāya-iddin, i.e. the brother of Anu-mukîn-apli, Lâbâši and Anu-ahu-ittannu). A further 1/5 share of the property is said to belong to another son of Kidin-Anu, namely Anu-ikšur (who is not selling his part). According to the contract the five shares represent the subdivision of half of a larger property, that originally Kidin-Anu held in conjunction with his brother Anu-balâssu-iqbi. A plausible scenario is that at the time Kidin-Anu died, five of his sons (Anu-mukîn-apli, Lâbâši, Anu-ahu-ittannu, Nanāya-iddin and Anu-ikšur) inherited each a 1/5 share of the part of the property that belonged to him: it is not clear if Nanāya-iddin had already died at the time the hereditary division (that has not come down to us) took place and his sons Kidin-Anu and Nidinti-Anu inherited the 1/5 share instead of him, or if they acquired it upon their father's death). The heirs, with the exception of Anu-ikšur, are now selling their shares in the property to Lâbâši.

Only the size of the northern and southern sides of the property are described, measuring 40 and 40 and 1/3 cubits, respectively. No measurements are provided for the western and eastern borders (maybe because it was an exact rectangle?): the fact that the house of

the buyer lay to the south of the property suggests that Lâbâši's purchase aimed at enlarging the house he already owned in the same area, maybe in order to get access to the processional street, that bordered the property to the north and to the east.

Some details remain unfortunately still obscure. While, it is plausible on the basis of the description, mentioning twice the full ownership status of the property, that 40 and 40 and 1/3 cubits (that is a plot of substantial size) refer to the entire original property, how this was physically divided between the different co-holders is not specified.

A business link between the family of the sellers and that of the buyer in connection to properties located in the Šamaš Gate district may stand at the origin of a transaction, dated some 40 years later, that is recorded in **No. 80-RE**. Here one of Lâbâši's grandsons, Anu-uballit, purchases an undeveloped plot from the hands of a certain Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//EZ. It is tempting to identify him with the grandson of the individual by the same name mentioned in **No. 33-RE**, here, as co-owner. Anu-balâssu-iqbi jr. in fact owns the plot that is the object of purchase jointly with one of the sons of his brother, whose name is unsurprisingly Kidin-Anu (the name is widespread in the family, as far as we can judge from **No. 33-RE**). By the time the transaction in **No. 80-RE** is recorded he had died.

The plot involved in **No. 80-RE** is not the same as the one recorded in our tablet, but still members of the Lâbâši family are conducting business with members of the family of Kidin-Anu and the properties, all in co-ownership, lack the measurements.

Moreover, the property in **No. 80-RE** adjoins the bank of the Ištar canal and a public street: the descendants of Lâbâši are thus still interested in properties located in strategic areas of the city, as their predecessors were 40 years earlier.

Due to the fragmentary state of preservation of the reverse it is not possible to ascertain how the tablet originally looked.

Writing spills on the edges in Obv. 1-3; 9-12 (slightly); 13, 14 (slightly); 15; Rev. 23, 26 and 27 (slightly).

R.e.: five seal impressions are housed on the right edge, corresponding to the five individuals acting as sellers (and guarantors) in the document. The large amount of information that the scribe needed to enter on this edge is the reason for its slightly messy arrangement. The seal impressions of R.e.1 and R.e.5 are vertical, while the others are horizontally impressed. The caption and name of the owner of R.e.1 are written on top of the impression, almost centred; that of R.e.2 is also written above the impression but at a different, slightly lower level, than the other); the same applies to R.e.3 that stands at a slightly lower level than R.e.2 and stretches over the impression of the following seal, that appears on the same line as R.e. 3. The caption and name for it are no longer centred on top of the impression but slightly shifted to the right. The caption and name for R.e.5 are lost. The juridical role (as sellers) of the five individuals is written below the impressions, in one continuous line, centred on the surface of the edge. A similar messy arrangement of the captions (not standing on the same line) occurs on the L.e. of **No. 3-RE**, above.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L1 and L3 correspond here to L.e.3 and L.e.1.

No. 34-P. Plate XXXIV

Museum no.: BM 109959 (1914-4-4, 25)

Size: 8.6×10.5×3.5 (L²)Format: type 4^b, n-a (irregular columns?)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 59ⁱ.x.x, Antiochus II (?); (silver?), staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 253-252.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #678.

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *malîtu* offering

- Obv. ¹ana-gal^{d60} dumu šá ¹ki-din^{-d}[60 a ¹FN ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú š]i-in-ze-ru-ú[...]
 ina giš.šub.ba šá ma-al-[la-a-tú ...] ^éšgal u ^ér^r[e-eš ...]
 šî-in-ze-ru-ú ina 60-[-ú ...] šim].li(?) šá a-na lu-bu-uš.meš šá ^dx[...]
 šî-in-ze-ru-ú ina mim-ma [] ^rmu.meš^r [...]
- (5) giš.šub.ba mu.meš šá iti-us-su ^rkal mu.an^r.[na ...]
 šá ki ¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d60}-numun-mu ¹ni-din-tu₄^{-d60} u ¹x-[...]
 dumu.meš šá ¹ki-din^{-d60} u ^{1a}en.meš ha.la.meš-šú-nu gab-bi a-na 3 [gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu]
 šá ¹an-ti^{-r}-i^{-ku-su} bab-ba-nu-ú a-na šám til.meš a-[na ^{1d60}-...]
 dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši a [¹]é^{-kur-za-kir} a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-t[¹a-din kù.babbar 3 gín]
- (10) šám šî-in-z[e-r]u-ú ina giš.šub.ba šá ma-al-la-a-tú [...]
 [...] mu.meš [¹ana]-gal^{-d60} dumu šá ¹ki-din^{-d60} ina šu-ii ^{1r}d60⁻[...]
 [...] ma-hir e-[¹tir u₄-mu] ^rpa-qa⁻[ri...]
 [.. i]t-tab-šu-ú [...]
- Rev. approx. 3 lines lost
 [...] u₄-mu^r ša-a-tú [...]
 [¹mu-kin_r]
 [^{1d60}-du-a] dumu šá ^{1r}d60⁻[...]
 [¹]a⁻⁶⁰-ad-gu dumu šá ^{1a}na-na-a-m[u a ...]
^{1d60}-ad-gur dumu šá ^{1d60}-din-su-e [a ...]
¹ri-hat^{-d60} dumu šá ^{1d60}-din-s[u-e a ...]
¹ni-din-tu₄^{-d60} dumu šá ¹at-t[an-nu a ...]
¹il-lu-ut^{-d60} dumu šá ¹ni-din-t[u₄^{-d60} a ...]
^{1d60}-gi^r dumu šá ^{1d60}-šeš[... a ...]
 [^{1d60}-din-i^t] ^{1a}umbisag dumu šá ¹ki^{-d60}-hé.nun a ^{1d30}-[ti-ér]
 [unug^{ki} ¹x mu.5]9.kám ¹an-[ti⁻i-ku-su lugal]
- L.e. [un-qa r]i-hat^{-d60} un-qa ^{1d}[60-a]d-gur
 R.e. (lost)
 B.e. (lost)
 U.e. un-qa ^{1d60}-du-a un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄^{-d60} [un-qa ^{1d60}]-ad-gu[r]

Dossier. Lâbâši's son (AZI/L/EZ)

Translation. Ana-rabûti-Anu/Kidin-Anu//[...], voluntarily sold in perpetuity to Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, 1/12 in the prebend of the *malâtu* ... Ešgal, Rêš, 1/12 in 1/60 ... the juniper(?) for the dressing ceremonies of ..., 1/12 in all ... this prebend, which is monthly throughout the year, ... which is with Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin, Nidinti-Anu and /Kidin-Anu and all of their co-wners, for 3 š of silver, good quality staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 3 š, price of 1/12 in that prebend of the *malâtu* ..., Ana-rabûti-Anu/Kidin-Anu has received from the hands of Anu-zêru-iddin; he is paid. Should a claim arise forever.

Witnesses:

W1=Up.e.1=678a: Anu-mukîn-apli/Anu-.../[...]

W2=L.e.2=678c/?: Anu-abu-u^têr/Nanâya-iddin//[...]W3L.e.2=678c/?: Anu-abu-u^têr/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//[...]

W4=L.e.1=lost: Rihat-Anu/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//[...]

W5= U.e.2=678b: Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu//[...]

W6=??: Illût-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//[...]

W7=??: Anu-ušallim/Ana-ah(...)//[...]

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nu^hš/SLU. Uruk..., day ..., year 59, Antiochus, the king.

Commentary. The prebend that is the object of transaction is a *hapax* in Seleucid Uruk: see the discussion in § 6.5.3, above. While partially broken, the name of the buyer can be restored as that of Anu-zêru-iddin (/Lâbâši//EZ), whose father is also recorded in the contract as co-owner of the prebend: the document is thus part of the Lâbâši family dossier. The format and layout of the tablet show a number of notable characteristics: sharp angles, neat writing, with ample spaces between the lines and a very peculiar layout for the WL. This is in fact organised in a single column, housing the PNs, on the left, followed by a large blank column; we expect a second and a third column of text, to the right, to have housed both the patronyms and the family names of the witnesses, as is the case in **No. 43-P**, written by the same scribe. The scribe of the document is Anu-uballit/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU, who wrote a number of documents in the collection, among which **No. 32-RE**, also featuring erasures, graphic peculiarities and a clear rectangular shape, as our tablet.⁵¹ Despite the fragmentary condition of the date formula, where only 9 for the year number is preserved, combining the identity of the buyer, that of the scribe and the fact that only one king's name (Antiochus) is preserved on the tablet, we may precisely date the contract to year SE 59.⁵² L.e., W1: second sign of the name over erasure. A mistaken AD is still partially visible under PA. The date formula is characterised by blanks, used to tabulate the text.

51 See § 8.1., above and the commentary to **No. 32-RE** for further details.

52 The suggestion by Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 207, may be discarded on the basis of the autopsy of the tablet.

No. 35-P. Plate XXXV

Museum no.: BM 30117 (1856-9-3, 1513; W.)
 Size: 9.5×11.6×2.5 (M/L)
 Format: type 1a, compact, RC-a
 Place: Uruk
 Date: 60.[x.x]; Antiochus II
 Date BC: 252/251.[x.x]
 Copy: Bertin 2912-2913
 Bibliography: Loftus 2 = Oppert 1 = HANE/M 8, pp. 154-155
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #695.
 Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=695d: Anu-māru-ittannu/...
 W2'=?=?:Anu-ahhē-iddin/...
 W3'=?=?: Anu-...
 W4'=?=?: .../Mukīn-apli//H?
 W5'=U.e.4=695a: Līšir/
 W6'=U.e.2=695k: Sīn-banūnu
 W7'=B.e.4=lost: līštar-šumu-ēreš

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.1=695j: Ina-qibīt-Anu
 W?=U.e.3=695l: Anu-ahu-ušabšī
 W?=U.e.5=695i: Anu-ušallim
 W?=U.e.6=lost: Kidin-Anu
 W?=B.e.2=695b:Anu-ikšur
 W?=B.e.3=lost: Anu-...
 W?=L.e.1=695c: Kittu-Anu
 W?=L.e.2=695h:Anu-abu-uṭēr
 W?=L.e.3=695e: Ubar
 W?=L.e.4=695g: Nidinti-Anu

Scribe: Lābāšī/...

Seller=clearer2=(co-guarantor2)=Ri.e.1=695f: Līšir/Mukīn-apli/Anu-ikšur//K
 Buyer=RC: Šamaš-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//H
 Co-owner: Rabi-Anu/Dumqī-Anu and his brothers

Dossier. Bēlessunu's family

Commentary. Šamaš-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//Hunzu, the buyer, is possibly attested as a witness in VDI 1955/4 2: 9. He is the uncle of 'Bēlessunu, the wife of Lābāšī's grandson. Apparently while Šamaš-iddin and his brother, Anu-abu-ušur, the father of 'Bēlessunu, had an interest in prebends connected to the service of Enlil, 'Bēlessunu, as seen above specialised in the acquisition of shares in the prebend of temple-enterer of Anu (while, conversely, her male cousins, who owned shares in the *ērib bītūtu* prebend of Anu, sold their shares out). See § 6.1.1- "buyers" and Corò, forthcoming b.

The contract features the registration clause, which is however not physically separated from the main text by rulings.

No. 36-RE. Plate XXXVI

Museum no.: BM 109937 (1914-4-4, 3)

Size: 8.6×9.9×3.6

Format: (type n-a)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 64.III.27, Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 248.VI.20

Bibl.: unpubl.; Mitchell, Searight 2010, #696

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bītu epšu* in the Lugalgirra temple district; NSWE

- Obv. [1]šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} ¹⁰ⁱ.[sur]
ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú é-su ep-šú ki-ti é ^dlugal.gir.ra šá qé-reb un[ug^{ki}]
 18 5/6 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da *ki-šub-ba-a šá ^{1ri-hat-^d60} dumu šá*
^{1d}gašan-a-di-e-ha-i 18 5/6 kùš uš⁵³ ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da é
- (5) ^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} ¹⁰ⁱna-din é mu.meš ¹dumu ^{1šá} ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu u da 12¹ kùš¹
mu-šu-ú šá ina bi-rit-šú-nu a-ha-meš 18 5/6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu
 da *ki-šub-ba šá ^{1ni-din-tu₄-^d60} dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-it 18 5/6 kùš sag.ki*
 ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da é ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu
 šu.nigin 18 5/6 kùš uš 18 5/6 kùš sag.ki *mi-ših-tu₄ é mu.meš*
- (10) é mu.meš *i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na*
 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar *is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ^{1an-ti-¹ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú}*
a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1e^{ki}-i-tu₄} dumu.munus šá ^{1a-ta-¹li-hi-¹}
 dam ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} ¹⁰ⁱ.sur *a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú*
it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 1/3 ma.na šám é mu.meš til.meš ^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú}
- (15) dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu *ina šu-ii ^{1e^{ki}-i-tu₄} dumu.munus šá ^{1a-ta-¹li-h[i-¹]}*
ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi é mu.meš ^{1it-¹[tab-šu-ú]}
^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} ¹⁰ⁱna-din é ¹mu.meš dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu ¹[...]
- Rev. (about 4 lines lost)
- (5?) [¹i?
 [i ...]ki²-[i] ¹id²-din
 [¹e^{ki}-i-tu₄ lú? ir -é.gal(?)
 [k]i-din-^d60
 []x
- (10?) []-za¹-kir
 []-^d60
 []-^d60-šeš-mu
 [] (traces) [...]x-^d60 dumu šá ^{1ni-din-tu₄-^d60}
 [] dumu šá ^{1ki-din-^d60} ¹⁰ⁱir é.gal
- (blank) [PN ¹⁰ⁱumbisag dumu šá PN] a ¹kur-i unug^{ki} ¹⁰ⁱsig₄ ud.27¹.kám mu.64.kám ¹an-ti-¹[i-ku-su lugal]
- L.e. [... un-qa]a [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...]
- R.e. [un]-qa [^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} ¹⁰ⁱna-din é mu.meš un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-šú dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu
- B.e. un-qa [...] un-[qa ...] [...]
- U.e.: [un-qa] ^{1ba-šá-a-un-¹qa^{1d}60-šeš-gál-šiu-n-qa ^{1ri-hat-^d60} un-qa ^{1ri-hat-^d60} [...]}

Dossier. Professions & women

Translation. Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-māru-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû, the oil presser (*šāhītu*) voluntarily sold forever to 'Bābilitu(?)/Ata'-lihi', wife of Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû, the oil presser (*šāhītu*), for the full price of 1/3 m of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus: a built house in the district of the Lugalgirra temple which is in Uruk: 18 5/6 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Rihat-Anu/Bélet-ade-ha'i; 18 5/6 cubits the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-māru-ittannu, the seller of this house and adjoining the 12 cubits alley that they reciprocally share among them; 18 5/6 cubits the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit; 18 5/6 cubits the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Nanāya-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu; total: 18 5/6 cubits in lengths, 18 5/6 cubits in widths, measurement of this house; this house as much as it is, all of it. The silver, 1/3 m, full price of this house, Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-māru-ittannu has received from the hands of Bābilitu(?)/Ata'-lihi'; he is paid. Should a claim arise towards this house, Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-māru-ittannu, the seller of this house ... if he gave ...

Witnesses(?):

... *arad ekalli* son of Rab²-... Kidin-Anu
 ... //EZ
 ...-Anu
 ... Anu-ahu-iddin
-Anu/Nidinti-Anu
/Kidin-Anu, *arad ekalli*

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.1=696g: Iqīšaya
 W?=U.e.2=696d: Anu-ahu-ušabši
 W?=U.e.3=696c/Up.e.=696e: Rihat-Anu
 W?=U.e.3=696c/Up.e.=696e: Rihat-Anu

Scribe: .../...//K. Uruk. Simānu, day 27, year 64 Antiochus, the king.

Seller+S-neighbour=Ri.e.1=696f: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-māru-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû, the oil presser

Guarantor=Ri.e.2=696b: lost

Buyer: 'Bābilitu(?)/Ata'lihi' W Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû, the oil presser (*šāhitu*)

N-neighbour: Rihat-Anu/Bēlet-ade-ha'i

S-neighbour=seller

W-neighbour: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballitE-neighbour: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu

Commentary. No apparent connection may be established between this tablet and others. Buyer of the finished house is a woman, named 'Bābilitu (if our reading is correct), daughter of a certain Ata'lihi'; she is married to an oil presser, who is the son of the seller, also an oil presser.

We have no more evidence of 'Bābilitu; nor of Ata'lihi'; an individual named Ata-'lih'an occurs in YOS 20 2 but no connections can be established between the two.

Spilling of the text onto the edges verified on the original: Obv. 6 and 7 slightly; Rev. 7' heavily.

The scribe left aligns the whole tablet, both on the obverse and the preserved part of reverse; the result is a number of small blanks at the end of the lines.

On the reverse he fills in the blanks at the end of the line (likely in connection with the WL) using slight diving lines.

The (preserved) vertical seal impressions on the U.e. and L.e. all lean to the left.

Writing heavily spilling from the reverse onto the right edge has as a result the fact that the caption of the second seal is pushed towards the left. All other captions tend conversely to be standard.

Obv. 5: number 12 features an oblique extra stroke.

Obv. 6: *ina bi-rit-šú-nu a-ha-meš* written on top of a previous series of signs that have not been erased perfectly (collated November 2017).

L.e. written upside down compared to usual orientation.

No. 37-RE. Plate XXXVII

Museum no.: BM 116694 (1924-12-13, 8)

Size: 8.2×9.8×3.3 (S)

Format: type 2a, split (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 65.XI.15, Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 246.II.18

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #697 and p. 253, #19; Pearce 2010, pp. 308 and 323.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *kišubbû* in the quarter of the Ištar gate. NSWE

- Obv ¹bad₄-^dgašan ^{1d}60-du-a ù ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu.meš ^{šá} ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
dumu ^{šá} ¹bad₄-^dgašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu ki-šub-ba-'
^{šá} ina ki-ti ká gal ^dinanna ^{šá} qé-reb unug^{ki} 23 kùš uš an-ú
^{im}si.sá da mu-šu-ú ^{šá} ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu ^{1u}ma-hi-ra-nu
(5) ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš 23 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da é
¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ^{1gal}-^d60 22 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu
da é ¹ana-gal-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu u da é ^{1d}60-ad-gur
dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu ^{1u}ma-hi-ra-nu ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš
22 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da sila mu-rad id ^dinanna
(10) šu.nigin 23 kùš uš 22 kùš sag.ki mi-ših-tu₄ ki-šub-ba-’
mu.meš ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú
gab-bi a-na 6 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu ^{šá} ¹an-ti-’i-ku-su
bab-ba-nu-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu
dumu ^{šá} ¹bad₄-^dgašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-tan-’
(15) kù.babbar a₄ 6 gín šám ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš ¹bad₄-^dgašan
Rev. ^{1d}60-du-a u ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu.meš ^{šá} ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-ad-gur
dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu mah-hur.meš e-ṭir.meš u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi
ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš iṭ-tab-šu-ú ¹bad₄-^dgašan ^{1d}60-du-a ù ¹ki-din-^d60
dumu.meš ^{šá} ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu ú-mar-raq.meš a-di 12-ta.àm a-na
(20) ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu ina-an-din-’ ki-šub-ba-’ mu.meš
^{šá} ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu dumu ^{šá} ¹bad₄-^dgašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
^{1u}mu-kin₇ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
¹ba-šá-a ^{1d}utu-mu-nu u ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu.meš ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a.meš ¹šeš-’-ú-tú
^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu ^{šá} ¹la-ba-ši a ¹kur-i ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ¹du-a a ¹kur-i
(25) ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ^{1d}60-gi a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ¹kar-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ¹ki-din-^d60
a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu ^{šá} ¹na-na-a-mu a ¹ad-du₁₀.ga
^{1d}30-ba-nu-nu dumu ^{šá} ¹tat-tan-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú dumu ^{šá}
^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹ri-hat-^dinanna dumu ^{šá} ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60
a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹ir-^da-de-e-šú dumu ^{šá} ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60
(D.f.) ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ^{1u}umbisag dumu ^{šá} ¹ri-hat-^d60 a ^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki}
^{im}zíz ud.15.kám mu 65.kám ¹an-ti-’i-ku-su lugal
- L.e. un-qa ¹bad₄-^dgašan un-qa ^{1d}60-mu-nu
R.e. un-qa ^{1d}utu-mu-nu un-qa [’] ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹un-qa ^{1d}60-du-a un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60
B.e. un-qa ¹ir-^da-de-e-šú un-qa ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}30-ba-nu-<nu> un-qa ¹d60-din-iṭ
U.e. un-qa ¹ri-hat-^dinanna un-qa ¹kar-^d60 un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 un-qa ¹ba-šá-a

Dossier. Dannat-Bēlti

Translation. Dannat-Bēlti, Anu-mukīn-apli and Kidin-Anu, the sons of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA, voluntarily sold forever to Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA, for the full price of 6 š of silver, in staters of Antiochus g.q., the unbuilt plot that is in the district of the Ištar gate, in Uruk: 23 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the alley of Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin, the buyer of this unbuilt plot; 23 cubits the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu; 22 cubits the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Ana-rabūti-Anu/Nanāya-iddin and adjoining the house of Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin, the buyer of this unbuilt plot; 22 cubits the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the street of the bank of the Ištar canal; total: 23 cubits the lengths, 22 cubits the widths, (is the) measurement of this unbuilt plot: this unbuilt plot, as much as it is, all of it. The silver: 6 š, price of this unbuilt plot, Dannat-Bēlti, Anu-mukīn-apli and Kidin-Anu, the sons of Anu-ahhē-iddin received from the hands of Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin; they are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this unbuilt plot, Dannat-Bēlti, Anu-mukīn-apli and Kidin-Anu, the sons of Anu-ahhē-iddin will clear it and will give 12-fold to Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin. This unbuilt plot belongs forever to Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.4=697n: Iqīšaya/Anu-uballiṭ//Ah
 W2=R.e.1=697f: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-uballiṭ//Ah
 W3=U.e.3=697k: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballiṭ//Ah
 W4=B.e.5=697o: Anu-uballiṭ/Lābâšī//K
 W5=B.e.3=697i: Kidin-Anu/Mukīn-apli//K
 W6=R.e.2/4=697a/j(?): Kidin-Anu/Anu-ušallim//LA
 W7=U.e.2=697c: Mušēzib-Anu/Kidin-Anu//EZ
 W8=R.e.2/4=697a/j(?): Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//Abu-ṭāb
 W9=B.e.4=697m: Sīn-bānūnu/Tattannu//EZ
 W10=B.e.2=697b: Ša-Anu-iššū/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ
 W11=U.e.1=697l: Rihat-Ištar/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ
 W12=B.e.1=697h: Arad-adēšu/Nidinti-Anu

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU. Uruk. Šabāt, day 15, year 65, Antiochus the king.

Seller1=L.e.1=697d: Dannat-Bēlti/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 Seller2=R.e.3=697e: Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 Seller3=(L.e.2=697g?): Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA (*alias* Anu-ittannu ?)
 Buyer: Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 N-neighbour=buyer: Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 S-neighbour: Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu
 W-neighbour1: Ana-rabūti-Anu/Nanāya-iddin
 W-neighbour2=buyer: Anu-abu-utēr/Nanāya-iddin/Nanāya-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA
 E-neighbour: street of the bank of the Ištar canal

Commentary. The unbuilt plot that is the object of the contract is located in the district of the Ištar Gate: it adjoins to the east the street of the bank of the Ištar canal. It is plausible that the buyer is the brother of the Dannat-Bēlti in gen. 4, i.e. the grand-uncle of the sellers; the transaction is carried out within the family exactly as the one recorded in **No. 63-RE**, a further proof of the interest of the Dannat-Bēlti (LA-branch) family members for properties located in this particular area of the city (see commentary to **No. 63-RE** below).

Of the three brothers who act as sellers, the youngest, (Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin) was not known to Doty at the time he studied the family dossier; the other two are already included in his reconstruction of the Dannat-Bēlti family tree.⁵⁴

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 214 ascribe the tablet to 247; the year must be amended to 246 BC.

W4=B.e.3=697i: Kidin-Anu/Mukīn-apli//K; identification on the basis of the identity between 697i and AUWE 19, no. 365.⁵⁵

W8: Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//Abu-ṭāb also acts as a witness in OECT 9 19 (Rev. 8), a prebend sale dated to SE 78. None of the seal impressions captioned Kidin-Anu on the R.e. of our tablet corresponds to the seal he used in OECT 9 19.⁵⁶

W9: an individual named Sīn-bānūnu/Tattannu/EZ is also mentioned in BRM 2 54//BiMes 24 28⁵⁷, but he is clearly not the same individual mentioned here (BRM 2 54//BiMes 24 28 is in fact dated to SE 150).

W12: Arad-adēšu/Nidinti-Anu appears as a witness also in OECT 9 20 (SE 80); NBDM 91 (with Tattannu/Sīn-bānūnu, perhaps the son of our Sīn-bānūnu; SE 80) OECT 9 19 (SE 78; witness; see also seal impression damaged); OECT 9 21 (SE 80).

The sealing procedure on this tablet is not standard. The name of the sellers is not followed by the indication of their juridical role. Seller1 seals on the left edge; seller2 on the right edge.

It is difficult to identify the position of the seal of seller3, Kidin-Anu, since three of the witnesses bear the same name. Among them, only the seal of W5 can be located (=B.e.3); two more seals captioned Kidin-Anu, both on the R.e., can be spotted; however it is not possible to identify their owner. Since four individuals in total are named Kidin-Anu and only three impressions are captioned with this name, either seller3 or one of the witnesses by the same name did apparently not seal the tablet. Now, the left edge of the tablet houses a seal captioned Anu-ittannu, but no individual going by this name is known from the tablet: it seems thus plausible that either one of the Kidin-Anus bore an alias that he used instead of his other name for the sake of convenience, or seller3 was represented by a proxy who sealed the contract instead of him.

A number of graphic peculiarities may be noted, as follows.

Obv. 2 and *passim*, *ki-šub-ba-*: uncommon spelling.

Obv. 14: the spelling *it-tan-* is rare and occurs, to my knowledge, only in OECT 9 10. The texts are not written by the same scribe.

Rev. 17: the spelling *mah-hur.meš* is a hapax.

Rev. 22: note the unusual layout of this line, housing the end of the contract to the right and the caption for the WL to the left.

W12= B.e.1: Arad-adēšu; the spelling of this name (here consistently) with the classifier is a hapax in the corpus.

B.e.4: the scribe omitted the last *-nu* sign for the name of Sīn-bānūnu.

54 Doty 1977, p. 229, Fig. 6.

55 The seal is used on YOS 20 32 (L.e.3), where he acts as a witness.

56 See AUWE 19, no. 167B

57 For the duplicate see Weisberg BiMes 24 (1991), p. 5

No. 38-P. Plate XXXVIII

Museum no.: BM 109957 (1914-4-4, 23)

Size: 6.7×10.6×4.3 (M)

Format: type 1 or 2a, compact (fragmentary), RC-a

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (38-66.x.x); Antiochus I and ?; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: (274-245.x.x)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 277-279; Pearce, HBTIN, P342291 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #777

Description (type of transaction): sale of *sirašûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ)

Witnesses:

W1': .../H

W2': Anu-ahhê-iddin/...

W3': .../Gimil-Anu

W4'=B.e.4=777e: Ina-qibīt-Anu

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=B.e.1=777d: Anu-zêru-iddin

W?=B.e.2=777c: Anu-uballit

W?=B.e.3=777a: Anu-ahu-iddin

W?=L.e.1: Anu-zêru-līšir

W?=L.e.4=777b: lost

Seller=co-guarantor1=Ri.e.1=: (Nidinti-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-ahu-ušabši//...

Clearer=co-guarantor2=Ri.e.2: Ša-Anu-iššû/ Nidinti-Anu/(Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-ahu-ušabši)

Buyer=RC: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The date range is established on the basis of the occurrence of Lâbâši in the document. Since the price is paid in staters of Antiochus the date range may be restricted as a maximum to SE 66.

Date in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 240 to be corrected.

No. 39-P. Plate XXXIX

Museum no.: BM 109968 (1914-4-4, 34)
 Size: 7.3×8.25×0.0 (S)
 Format: type 1 or 2a, split? (fragmentary)
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: (38-66).x.x+4, staters of Antiochus g.q.
 Date BC: (274-245).x.x
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 279-280; Pearce, HBTIN, P342292 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #755. Pearce 2010, p. 303, fn. 12
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *sirāšûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ)

Witnesses from the edges:
 W?=U.e.1=755j: ...- Ištar
 W?=U.e.2=755f: Nanāya-iddin
 W?=B.e.1=755a: Anu-uballit
 W?=B.e.2=755c: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 W?=B.e.3=755g: Anu-ahhē-iddin
 W?=B.e.4=755h: Lâbâši
 W?=L.e.1=755d: Kidin-Anu
 W?=L.e.2=755b: Ša-Anu-iššû

Scribe: lost

Seller1=(clearer1)=Ri.e.1=Illūt-Anu=Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//
 Seller2=clearer2=(Ri.e.2)=Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//...
 Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ
 Co-owner1: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši
 Co-owner2: Kidin-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi (brother of Sellers)

Commentary. Dated on the basis of Lâbâši. See edition in HANE/M pp. 279-280. Collated by Pearce, HBTIN.

No. 40-P. Plate XL

Museum no.: BM 105178 (1913-4-16, 10)

Size: 7.6×8.6×2.3 (S)

Format: type 4a, split

Place: Uruk

Date: (approx. 38-66 SE), staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 274-246/45.x.x

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 151-152.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #769 and p. 255, #41; Pearce 2010, p. 306, fn. 28, p. 309, fn. 40 and p. 324; Pearce, HBTIN, P342276

Description (type of transaction): sale of *āšipūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ). Mini-dossier Anu-bêlšunu-*ašipūtu*.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.2=769: Kidin-Anu/.../Ah

W2=L.e.3=769g: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-ušallim//LA

W3=U.e.3.?=: Anu-zêru-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//Ah

W4=L.e.2=769d: Lâbâši/Mukîn-apli//K

W5=B.e.3=769a: Anu-ikšur/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah

W6=?=: lost

W7=L.e.1=: Anu-ahu-ittannu/...-Anu//Ah

W8=?=: Anu-.../Nidinti-Anu//LA

W9=?=: .../Rihat-Anu//Ah

W10=?=: ... Anu-ab-ušur/

W11=?=: ... lqīšaya ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=B.e.1=769e: Nidinti-Anu

W?=B.e.4=769b: Balātu

Scribe: lost

Seller=clearer=Ri.e.1=769c: Anu-bêlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Co-owner1: Anu-ikšur/Nanāya-iddin

Co-owner2: Nidinti-Anu/Mannu-iqabbu and his brothers

Commentary. Combining the fact that Lâbâši/AZI//EZ is the buyer in this contract and that the price is paid in staters of Antiochus, the tablet, whose date is not preserved, can tentatively be ascribed to the years range SE 38-66.⁵⁸

Date in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 238 to be corrected.

The tablet belongs to the dossier concerning the *ašipūtu* prebend, that has been extensively discussed above (see § 6.1.2); see also

Corò 2005, pp. 81-84 and pp. 87-99; Corò 2005b, pp. 77-84.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, R3= R.e.1. No more seals preserved on this edge.

⁵⁸ On the activities of Lâbâši between SE 38-77 see Doty 1977, p. 197; HANE/M 8, p. 88; also Corò 2005b; on the money used for payments during the reign of Antiochus II, see most recently Monerie 2018, Annexe 4.

No. 41-P. Plate XLI

Museum no.: BM 109965 (1914-4-4, 31)
 Size: 6.3×9.3×2.4 (S)
 Format: type n-a,b (irregular)
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: (38-66).x.x+4, staters of Antiochus g.q.
 Date BC: (274-245).x.x
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 235-237; Pearce, HBTIN, P342288 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #672
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *nuhatimmūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=?=? : ...//LA
 W2=?=? : Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//...
 W3=L.e.2=672a: Anu-uballit//...//EZ
 W4: Anu-iqīšanni//...//SLU
 W5=L.e.1=672c: Nanāya-iddin//...//LA
 W6=?=? : Nidinti-Anu//...-Anu//H
 W7=?=? : Anu-mukīn-apli/Lišir//...
 W8=?=? : Rabi-Anu/Anu-ahhē?-iddin//...
 W9=?=? : Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//GA
 W10=?=? : Rabi? -Anu/Dumqi-Anu//...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.1=672d: Šamaš-ittannu
 W?=L.e.3=672c: Kidin-Anu(?)

Scribe: Kidin-Anu(?)/Anu-uballit//...

Seller=(Ri.e.)=? : Anu-iqīšanni/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K
 Buyer=co-owner1: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ
 Co-owner2: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Rihat-Anu//...//H and his brothers

Commentary. For the date of the tablet see the commentary to **No. 40-P**, above.

The possibility that a second king name, indicating a co-regency, followed the name of Antiochus in Obv. 7 is unlikely based on the tablet's size.⁵⁹ Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L3=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.3, here.

⁵⁹ pace Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 205.

No. 42-RE. Plate XLII

Museum no.: BM 105176 (1913-4-16, 8)

Size: 15.9×8.2×3⁷ (portrait)

Format: portrait, with dividing lines on Rev.

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (51-66⁷).XI.1⁷, Antiochus I⁷ and Antiochus (early Seleucid?)Date BC: (260-245⁷)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bītu* and *kišubbû*; district lost; anomalous formulary; NSWE

Obv. (approximately 2-3 lines lost)

- (1') 40 kùš 'uš⁷[]
 šá é mu⁷.m[eš⁷]
 [...]mi⁷- x⁷-mu.meš mu [...](traces) [...]dumu šá 'šá^{d60}-iš-šu-ú
- (5') (traces) x-nu mu [...]zu-ú
 [...] x da é '1[... dumu šá^{d60}-din]-su²-é a šá 'bár^{d60}
 (traces) din⁷-tu₄ [...] hun-zu-ú(?)
 [...]mar^{d60}-iškur
 [...] 'i^uapin
 [...] sag.ki an].ta 'mmar.tu da
- (10') [...] sa]g.ki ki.ta 'im[kur.ra da]
 [...] x dumu šá 'd60-en-šú-nu dumu šá 'tat-nit-t[u₄...]
 [...] meš-hat šá-lul-tu₄ é ki-šub-ba-a [...]
 [...] kùš uš an-ú] 'im si.sá da é
 (illegible line) šeš-ú(?)-tú(?)
- (15') [...]lu₁₈ lu da meš-hat igi-tu₄ é x[...]
 [...] 'd60-en⁷ -šú-nu a 'ršeš⁷-[ú-tú]
 [...] illegible line
 [...] da é '1[x-x]-nit-t[u₄ ? ...]
 [...] ki-šub-ba-a [...]
- (20') [...] 'd60-din-iš⁷ dumu šá
 [... šu.nigin...] ki.meš mi-ših-tu₄
 [...]meš u ki-šub-ba-a.meš [mu].meš
 [...] ú mu.meš šá 'd60⁷-din⁷-[...]
 [...] dumu šá 'dutu-mu a.meš 'šes-[ú-tú]
- (25') [...]meš [x x] 'x-x⁷
 [...] 'ta-nit-tu₄ -^{d60} [...] [...] x dumu šá 'd60-šeš-[...]
 [...] 'ki⁷-šub.ba mu.⁷meš⁷
 [...] šá iti x [...]
 [...] x-x- [...]
- Rev. [x]-na kù.babbar a₄ 10⁷ ma.na(?) šám [...]
 mu.meš til.meš 'd60-din-iš [dumu šá 'd60-na-na-a-mu [...]
 ina šu-ii 'd60-ik-šur u 'ni-din-t[u₄-^{d60}] 'a⁷.meš šá 'ta-nit⁷-tu₄ -^{d60}...]
 a 'mah-ru-ú ma-hir e-šir ad-šu (?) [...]
- (35) a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú x [...] x-x-x-x [...]
 šá x-nam-ma mi-šil? é.meš u ki-šub-ba mu.meš [...]
 x-x- é.meš ú u ki-šub-ba mu.meš [...]
 x-x-mu ú pa-qa-ri ki-šub-ba-a [...] x-x [...]
 [...]

 ina ka-nak-ku 'im^udub mu.meš

- (40) i-gi
 ['d60-din-iš⁷ dumu šá 'ba-šá-a 'd60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá 'ni-din-tu₄ a.meš 'šes⁷-⁷-ú-tú⁷
 ['la]-ba-ši dumu šá 'ni-din-tu₄ -^{d60} 'd60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá 'd60-ad-gur a 'ršeš⁷-[...]
 ['dutu-sur u 'ta-nit-tu₄ -^{d60} dumu šá 'ba-la⁷-tu a '[...]
 'd60⁷-ik-šur dumu šá 'ina-qí-bit^{d60} 'ki-din^{d60} dumu šá '1⁷ [...]
- (45) ['d60]-mu-nu u 'ki-din^{d60} dumu šá 'd60-x[... du]mu šá 'x-[...]
 'd60-šeš.meš-mu u 'ni-din⁷-[tu₄-^{d60} ...] x [...] a] 'šes⁷-⁷-ú-tú
 'd60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá [...] x
 'du-a a 'kur-i 'd60-du-[...]
 'd60-ad-gur u '1⁷x[... a 'šes⁷-⁷-ú-tú

(50) x x x dumu šá¹la-^rba⁻šⁱ a¹kur-i^{1d}60-x x x dumu šá
[¹ni-din(?)]-tu⁴?^d60 a¹hun-zu-ú

(blank)

[...] x-mu a¹é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki} itⁱzíz ud.^r1[?].k[ám]
[mu.x.kám¹an]-ti-^r-i-ku-su u¹an-ti-^r-i-ku-su¹ dumu-šú l[ugal.meš]

R.e. [...]meš u ki-šub-ba mu.meš un-qa^{1d}60-šeš

Dossier. n-a

Translation. too fragmentary for translation.

Witnesses:

W1: Anu-uballit/Iqīšaya//Ah

W2: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidintu//Ah

W3: Lābāši/Nidinti-Anu//Ah

W4: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-abu-utēr//Ah[?]

W5: Šamaš-ētir/[...]

W6: Tanittu-Anu/Balāṭu//[...]

W7: Anu-iksūr/Ina-qibīt-Anu

W8: Kidin-Anu/...

W9: Anu-ittannu/...

W10: Kidin-Anu/Anu- ... /...

W11(?): Anu-ahhē-iddin

W12(?): Nidinti-Anu/...//Ah

W13(?): Anu-ahhe-iddin/...

W14(?): .../Mukīn-apli//K

W15(?): Anu-abu-utēr

W16(?): .../...//Ah

W17(?): .../Lābāši//K

W18(?): Anu-.../Nidinti(?)-Anu//H

Scribe. .../...-iddin//EZ. Uruk. Šabāṭu, day 1[?], month Antiochus and Antiochus his on, the kings.

Commentary. W1: is perhaps also attested in HANE/M 8, pp. 177-179 (dated SE 55) and in VDI 1955/4 1 (SE 15). If this is the case and given the strange apparently old portrait format of the tablet, it is possible to date the contract to the early Seleucid period, and therefore to the co-regency of Antiochus I and Antiochus (51-66 SE). Notwithstanding the format and the division by lines of the tablet, the formulary is not nB.

The nB formulary is also attested in: VS 15 9+29; TCL 13 229; YOS 20 90, 86, 14; OECT 9 7 (+ 1930.561); BiMes 24 30; BiMes 24 14.

No. 43-P. Plate XLIII

Museum no.: BM 116689 (1924-12-13, 3)

Size: 9.2×10.2×3.4 (M)

Format: type 1b, split, RC-a

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 60-66.VIII.16[?], Antiochus II; staters of Antiochus g.q.Date BC: 252.XI.18[?]-246.XI.12[?]

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #694

Description (type of transaction): multi-prebend sale, *ērib bītūtu*; *ṭābihūtu*

- (Obv.) ¹ni-din-tu₄ ^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄ ^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú e-še-ru-ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.17.kám ud.18.kám pap 10-¹ú šá u₄-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1u}ku₄ é-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dgašan edin u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi ší-iš-šú šá u₄-mu šá 16-¹ú šá ší-iš-šú šá u₄-mu ma-ṭu-ú ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.11.kám
- (5) [ud].12.kám 'giš'.šub.ba-šú ^{1u}gír.lá-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dgašan edin ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi giš'.šub.ba.meš mu.meš šá iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e 'ud eš'.eš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš gab-bi ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ^{1d}60-numun-mu [^{1d}ma-hi-ra-nu šá] 'giš'.šub.ba.meš mu.meš u ^{1u}en.meš ha.la.meš-šú-nu gab-bi a-n[a 1] ma.na 3 g[ín] [kù.babbar is-ta-ti-ra-nu] šá ¹an-ti-'i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na š[ám til].meš a-na
- (10) [^{1d}60-num]un-'mu' dumu šá ^{1d}60-'dumu-mu'-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-[ta-din] [kù.babbar] a₄ 1 ma.na 3 gín sám giš'.šub.ba'. [meš mu.meš] gab-bi ¹ni-din-tu₄]-^d60' ina šu-ii ^{1d}60'-numun-mu ma-hir eṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi giš.šub.ba.meš m[u].meš it-tab-šu-ú ¹ba-šá-a dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ú-mar-raq-[ma a]-di 12-ta.àm a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a-na u₄-mu ša-a-t[ú i-nam]-din'' pu-ut a-ha-m[eš]
- (15) a-na ^{1u}mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš ¹ni-din-tu₄]-^d60 u ¹b]a-šá-a dumu šá ¹60[-šeš-m]u a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú giš.šub.ba.meš m[u].meš šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-[nu u₄-mu ma-la ^{1d}60-numun-m]u
- (Rev) 'ši-bu-ú' giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš ina ^{1u}da šá giš.šub.ba.meš šá ina é din[giš meš ina mu-šú] 'ú'-šál-lim ^{1u}mu-kin₇ ¹ta-nit-tú-^d60 dumu šá ¹'ba-as'-si-a(?) 'a ¹lu-uš-tam(?)...' [...] x [...] dumu šá ^{1d}60-ik[?]-šur[?] ¹é-kur-[za-kir] [...]' dumu šá ¹'[...] a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú' [...]' [dumu šá ¹'...] a ¹é-kur-za-'kir' [...]' [dumu šá ¹'...] 'x' a ¹é-kur-'za'-ki[r] [...]' [dumu šá ¹'...] a ¹hun-zu-[ú'] [¹ú][?][bar[?]] dumu šá ^{1d}'na[?][...] 'a ¹'kur-[i] [¹'x-x' dumu šá ¹du-a[?] a ¹'kur[?][...] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu u ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 dumu.[meš] šá ¹tat-tan-nu [...] ^{1d}60-din-iṭ- ^{1u}umbisag dumu šá ¹'ki-^d60'-hé.nun a ^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki}iii ap[in] ud.16[?].kám mu.60+x.kám ¹an-ti-'i-ku'-su lugal

L.e. un-[qa] ¹ta-nit-tú-^d60 [un]-qa [...]-'x' u[n-qa] ¹li-gišR.e. [un]-'qa' [...] u'' ^{1u}na-din-[na] 'giš.šub.ba mu.meš [un-qa... ^{1u}mu]-ru-qu'B.e. un-qa ¹nu.'tés'-^d60 'un'-[qa] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}30-'ba' [...]U.e. un-qa ¹ú-bar un-qa ¹ta-nit-tú-^d60 'un-qa' ¹ba-as-si-ia un-[qa] ¹'x-^d60- [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši (?)

Translation. Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//H voluntarily sold in perpetuity to Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-mâru-ittannu//EZ one tenth of day in day 17, 18: in total 1/10 of day in those days, his *ērib bītūtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri and all the gods of their temple, one sixth of day less 1/16 of one sixth of a day, in one day, in day 11, 12, his *ṭābihūtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Reš and all the gods of their temple, those prebends, those prebends, which are monthly throughout the year, the *guqqū* and *eššešu* offerings and whatever pertains to those prebends, which are with Anu-zêru-iddin, the buyer of those prebends and their co-owners, for 1 m 3 š of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 1 m 3 š, full price of those prebends, Nidinti-Anu received from the hands of Anu-zêru-iddin. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to those prebends, Iqīšāya/Anu-ahu-iddin//H will clear and will give 12-fold to Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-mâru-ittannu, in perpetuity. Nidinti-Anu and Iqīšāya/Anu-ahu-iddin mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of those prebends, in perpetuity. Those prebends belong to Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-mâru-ittannu//EZ, forever. When Anu-zêru-iddin wishes, he may enter those prebends in his own name in the wooden registry of prebends, which is in the temple.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.1=lost/U.e.2=lost: Tanittu-Anu/Bassiya//LA(?)
 W2=?=? : .../Anu-ikšur(?)//EZ
 W3=?=? : .../...//Ah
 W4=?=? : .../...//EZ
 W5=?=? : .../...//EZ
 W6=?=? : .../...//H
 W7=U.e.1=694b: Ubar/Na...//K
 W8=?=? : .../Mukīn-apli(?)//K
 W9=B.e.2=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Tattannu//...
 W10=B.e.1=694e: Lâbâši-Anu//Tattannu//...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.3=lost : Līšir
 W?=B.e.3=lost: Sîn-banūnu
 W?=U.e.3=694a: Bassiya

Scribe: Anu-uballiṭ/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 16, year 60*, Antiochos, the king

Commentary. The tablet can be tentatively connected to the Lâbâši family dossier, if the identification of the buyer, Anu-zêru-iddin, with Lâbâši's cousin proves correct. Anu-zêru-iddin is also attested in **No. 34-P**, where he purchases a share in the *êrib bītūtu* prebend of Enlil. The contract includes the registration clause, not separated from the main text.

Obv.: surface fully written with very small signs.

WL: is organised in three columns, the second being separated from the previous one by a blank column, larger than usual. The layout is very similar to that of **No. 34-P**, also by the hand of Anu-uballiṭ/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU.

Two big obliques scratches on the Rev. similar to those on the Rev. of **No. 26-P**. On their interpretation see the commentary to that text, above.

No. 44-P. Plate XLIV

Museum no.: BM 93002=W.111 (1856-09-03, 1517)

Size: 9.5×8 (S)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 68.I.18

Date BC: 244.iv.28

Copy: Bertin 2890-2891

Bibl.: Loftus 4=Oppert 2=HANE/M 8, pp. 156-158.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #698

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of the Sky gods *etc.*

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.3=698: Anu-zēru-iddin/Nanaja-iddin//Ah

W2=B.e.1=?/L.e.1=698h: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//GA

W3=U.e.1=698f: Līšir/Zēriya//GA

W4=L.e.4=? : Anu-zēru-līšir/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin//H

W5=L.e.2=698a: Lâbâši/Anu-uballiṭ//H

W6=U.e.2=698g: Rabi-Anu/Dumqi-Anu

W7=L.e.3=698e: Libluṭ/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W8=B.e.1=?/L.e.1=698h: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//H

W9=B.e.2=698: Tanittu-Anu/Kidin-Anu//H

W10=B.e.3=698j: Mušeziḫ-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Iddin-Amurru

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU

Seller1=clearer1=Ri.e1=689d: Lâbâši/Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

Seller2=clearer2=Ri.e2=698c: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

Buyer=co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. On the identification and discovery of the tablets excavated by Loftus see above § 1.1, with relevant bibliography.

This is one of the four tablets in the BM collection written by Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU: his career and his connections with the other scribes stemming from the SLU family are discussed above (see § 8.1). On the type of prebend recorded in the contract see § 6.5.1. For the complete editorial history of the tablet see HANE/M 8, p. 156.

No. 45-RE. Plate XLV

Museum no.: BM 105172 (1913-4-16, 4)

Size: 8.6×10.7×2.8 (M)

Format: type 2a compact, irregular

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 69.x.x, Seleucus II, staters of Antiochus, g.q.

Date BC: 243-242.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #699 and p. 253, #21; Pearce 2010, pp. 310 and 323

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bītu u kišubbū* in the district of the Šamaš Gate. NSWE

- Obv. ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1t}at-tan-nu u ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu.meš šá ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-[nu] ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 u ^{1šib}-qát-^d60 dumu.meš šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu šeš-šú-nu dumu šá ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a.meš ^{1é}-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu é u ki-šub-ba šá ina ki-ti ká gal ⁴utu šá qé-reb unug^{ki} 49 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá
- (5) da é ¹ⁱ-a dumu.munus šá ^{1la}-ba-ši šá en-na šá ^{1la}-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu 49 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da é ^{1la}-ba-ši ^{1a}ma-hi-ra-an é u ki-šub-ba-šú mu.meš dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{1é}-kur-za-kir 13 5/6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da ki-šub-ba šá dumu.meš šá ^{1ú}-ma-as²-ta-nu šá en-na šá dumu.meš šá ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1a}na-din-an.meš é ki-šub-ba-šú mu.meš 12 5/6 kùš sag.ki
- (10) ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da sila rap-šú mu-taq dingir.meš u luḡal šá a-na ká gal ⁴utu ka-šid šu.nigin 49 kùš uš 13 5/6 kùš sag.ki mi-ših-tu₄ é u ki-šub-ba-šú mu.meš é u ki-šub-ba-šú mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-đu ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 8 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ri.meš šá ^{1an}-ti'-i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.'meš'
- Rev. a-na ^{1la}-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{1é}-kur-za-kir a-na [u₄-mu ša-a-tú] it-ta-din- kù.babbar a₄'8' gín [šám x x x x] é u ^{1ki}-šub-ba'-[šú mu.meš] ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1t}at-ta[n-nu u ^{1d}60-din-iṭ] ¹dumu.meš šá ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 u ^{1šib}-qát-^d60 dumu.meš šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu šeš-šú-nu ina šu-ii ^{1la}-[ba-ši] dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu ma-hir-' e-ṭir-' [u₄-mu pa]-qa-r[i] ana ¹muh'-hi é
- (20) u ki-šub-ba-šú [mu].meš iṭ-tab-šu-ú ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1t}at-tan-nu u [^{1d}60-din-iṭ] dumu.meš šá ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 u ^{1šib}-qát-^d60 dumu.meš šá ^{1d}na-[a-a-mu] šeš-šú-nu [ú-ma]r-ra-q-ma-' a-di 12.ta-àm a-na ^{1la}-ba-ši dumu šá [^{1d}60-numun-mu] a ^{1é}-kur-[za]-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din- é u ki-šub-ba-šú [mu.meš] šá ^{1la}-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{1é}-kur-[za]-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
- (25) kùš.meš a-tar ¹mu².meš šá ina² é u ki-šub-ba-šú mu.meš ^{1ik}-kaš'-ši-du-' šá [^{1la}-ba-ši] dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a-na [u₄]-mu ša-a-tú ¹ši-na ¹mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-numun-mu a šá ¹šá-^d60-iš'-šú-ú ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš' a.meš ^{1hun}'-zu'-[ú] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá [¹] ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ^{1li}-giš' a ¹mu¹⁷.^d60 a.meš ¹šu-^d60 ¹d60-[din-iṭ(?)] a ¹ⁿⁱ-din-tu₄-^d60 ¹d60-din-iṭ' a šá ^{1ki}-din-^d60 ^{1ba}-šá-a ^d60-šeš-mu-nu
- (30) a ¹ⁱⁿanna-mu-kám a.meš ^{1hun}-zu-ú ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ(?) ¹lu kuš.sar? ^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá ^{1na}-na-a-mu ^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá ^{1ri}'-hat-^d60 a ^{1lu}-uš-tam-mar-^diškur (?)
- (U.e.) ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ^{1u}mbisag dumu šá ^{1ri}-hat-^d60 a ^{1d}30-ti-ér [unug]^{ki} [iti]ab² [ud.x.kám] mu.69.kám ^{1se}-lu-'ku lu'gal
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-e un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-[e]
R.e. [un]-qa [...]-x^{-d}60² un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] ¹un'-[qa...] [un-q]'a'
B.e. un-qa ^{1li}-giš' un-qa ¹d60²-šeš.meš-mu un-qa ^{1d}na-na-a-[mu] un-[qa ^{1ba}-šá-a(?)]
U.e. un-'qa' ^{1d}60-din-iṭ un-'qa' ^{1d}60-numun-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-din-iṭ

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI/EZ)

Translation. Anu-bêlšunu, Tattannu and Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu, Nidinti-Anu and Šibqât-Anu/Nanāya-iddin, their brother, son of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu, (all of them) descendants of EZ, voluntarily sold forever to Lâbâši/AZI//EZ, for 8 š of silver, in g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price, the house and the unbuilt plot that are located in the district of the Šamaš gate, in Uruk: 49 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of 'lîlā/Lâbâši that now is (the property of?) Lâbâši/AZI; 49 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Lâbâši/AZI//EZ, the buyer of this house and unbuilt plot; 13 5/6 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the unbuilt plot of the sons of Umastanu, that is now (the property) of the sons of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu, the sellers of this house (and) its unbuilt plot; 12 5/6 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the wide street passage-way of the gods and the king, that leads to the Šamaš gate. Total: 49 cubits the lengths; 13 5/6 the widths, measurement of this house and its unbuilt plot; this house and its unbuilt plot, as much as it is, all of it. Silver: 8 š, price ... of this house and its unbuilt plot, Anu-bêlšunu,, Tattannu and Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu, Nidinti-Anu and Šibqât-Anu/Nanāya-iddin, their brother received from the hands of Lâbâši/AZI; they are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house and its unbuilt plot, Anu-bêlšunu, Tattannu and Anu-uballit/

Nidinti-Anu, Nidinti-Anu and Šibqāt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin, their brother will clear it and will give 12-fold to Lâbâši/AZI//EZ. This house and its unbuilt plot belong to Lâbâši/AZI//EZ, in perpetuity. Any extra cubits in this house and unbuilt plot belong to Lâbâši/AZI//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=699f: Anu-zêru-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû(?)//H
 W2=B.e.2=699d: Anu-ahhe-iddin/Anu-zêru-lîšir//H
 W3=U.e.3=699k: Anu-ahhê-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur//GA
 W4=B.e.1=699c: Lîšir/...-Anu//GA
 W5=U.e.1/4: Anu-uballiṭ/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W6=U.e.1/4: Anu-uballiṭ/Kidin-Anu//H
 W7=B.e.4=699b: Iqîšāya/lîštar-šuma-êreš//H
 W8=L.e.2=699l: Anu-ahu-ittannu/lîštar-šuma-êreš//H
 W9=B.e.3=699j: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ ...
 W10=L.e.1/3=699e/g: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Nanāya-iddin//Ah
 W11=L.e.3=699e/g: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/[Ina-qibit-Anu//Ah]

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU. Uruk. Ṭebētu?, day ..., year 69, Seleucus, the king

Seller1: Anu-bêlšunu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

Seller2: Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

Seller3: Anu-uballiṭ/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

Seller4: Nidinti-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

Seller5: Šibqāt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu//EZ

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

N-neighbour: 'Ilā/Lâbâši

N-neighbour-new=buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

S-neighbour: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

W-neighbour: sons of Umastanu

W-neighbour-new=sellers: sons of Nidinti/Anu-bêlšunu

E-neighbour: wide street alley of the gods and the king, that leads to the Šamaš gate

Mentioned: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu (brother of Anu-bêlšunu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu; brother Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu, brother of Tattannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu = brother of Sellers1, Seller2; Seller3 and uncle of Seller4 and Seller5)

Commentary. The document records the purchase by L/AZI//EZ of a house and associated plot of land, adjoining to the south and to the north properties that were already in Lâbâši hands.

The sellers in the document are five, three brothers and their two nephews, the sons of their brother, who must have died by the time this sale took place.

The contract formulation is anomalous in that it refers in a number of cases to the ownership history of the properties adjoining the one that is the object of the transaction: it seems that the scribe of the document is interested in underlining the right of ownership of the neighbours who are mentioned in the document. In particular, the property north of the main one used to belong to an otherwise unknown daughter of Lâbâši himself and the document states that it 'is now' his own property. Moreover, the sellers are the actual owners of the property laying west of the one they sell, which originally belonged to the sons of a certain Umastanu, an individual who bears an Elamite name. The registration of the ownership history of the adjoining properties is not common in the corpus and it is not clear why it appears in this document. A possibility is that **No. 45-RE** was written in a period when the properties located in the area of the Šamaš Gate were undergoing substantial changes in the ownership pattern, so that the reference to the previous and new owners of the estates was conceived as a way to help identify more clearly the property under consideration.

In VDI 1955/4 2 (that dates to SE 54, i.e. 15 years earlier) Lâbâši bought from his brother Dumqi-Anu (who is otherwise unknown in the corpus so far) a fully finished house and associated unbuilt plot in the same area; the 'sons of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bêlšunu' are among the neighbours and the property adjoins the processional street to the east. It is not clear if this is the same house, belonging to Lâbâši, that borders the main property of our document to the south (or to the north!); be that as it may, it is clear that L/AZI//EZ had an interest in properties located in this district and in particular those overlooking the processional street. Should we connect this to his activity as a prebend holder of the temple?

W3=U.e.3=699k; the seal of W3 (699jk) corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 668 (used to seal YOS 20 30); the same individual acts as a witness also in VDI 1955/4 2.

The tablet, whose reverse is badly damaged, exhibits a number of layout anomalies. The date formula is written on the U.e., with its second line centred. The end of the text lays on the same line as ¹⁰mu-kin₇ (Rev. 26) separated by an even gap that shifts ¹⁰mu-kin₇ right aligned.

A small (but visible) blank separates the last word of the last line of the obverse (Obv. 14: til.meš) from the previous one (šām): no specific reason for it nor erasure on the surface of the tablet may be detected.

Obv. 13, *is-ta-tir-ri*.meš: on the use of this form to render the Greek word 'stater' see Monerie 2014, pp. 58-59 (and fn. 75).

Obv. 2, 6 and 8: writing spilling onto the right edge.

Date formula: the scribe did not properly calculate the space he needed for the text and had to write the date formula across the edge. As a result of this and text spilling from the obverse, the alignment of the R.e. is irregular; captions tend to overwrite the seal impressions and instead of being regularly distributed on top of the horizontal seal impressions, align to its right and left as usual with vertical impressions.

Rev. 25-26: the formula is not very widespread⁶⁰ in the corpus; our text is the latest example of its use, known so far.

B.e.1, 'li-giš: written over previous signs.

N-neighbour, 'lā: a woman by the same name is recorded in YOS 20 6, a dialogue document date to SE 14, where she is (probably) identified as the daughter of a certain Anu-ahu-ittannu.

Note the following correspondences between Mitchell, Searight 2008, #699 and our identification of the seal impression positions, based on the direction of writing: L1=L.e.3; L2=L.e.2; L3=L.e.1.; R1=R.e.4; R2=R.e.3; R3=R.e.2 and R4=R.e.1.

⁶⁰ See, among others, YOS 20 14 and 31; VDI 1955/4 2; VS 15 51; NCTU 8 and OECT 9 7.

No. 46-RE. Plate XLVI

Museum no.: BM 109969 (1914-4-4, 35)

Size: 9.8×11.4×2.8 (M/L)

Format: type 1a, compact (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 70.XI.14, Seleucus II; staters of (Seleucus) g.q.

Date BC: 239.II.22

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #701

Description (type of transaction): sale, one third of a house, size and location lost

Obv. (approx. 3-4 lines lost)

(1') traces of few illegible signs

[(illegible traces)] (illegible traces) -^d60 dumu šá
[(illegible traces)] (illegible traces) ri-hat-^dinanna dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur'(5') ['uš.meš u sag.ki'.meš mi-ših-tu₄ é mu.meš-šú šal-šú]
[kji]?' šeš.meš-šú a-na 50 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu[šá ^{1se-lu-ku bab-ba-nu}]-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1ni-din-tu₄^dna-na-a}
[dumu.munus šá ^{1ri-hat-^dinanna}] dam ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši} dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e
[a ^{1é-kur-za-kir a}]-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 50 gín
[šám šal-šú ina] 'é' mu.meš til.meš ^{1ki-din-^d60} dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši} ina šu-ii(10') [^{1ni-din-tu₄^dna-na}]-a' dumu.munus šá ^{1ri-hat-^dinanna} ma-hir e-šir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri[a-na muh-hi é mu].meš it-tab-šu-ú ^{1ki-din-^d60} dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši}
[u ^{1ki-din-^d60} dumu šá ¹] 'la'-[ba-ši]-^d60' a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq'-ma'Rev. [a-na ¹]ni-din-tu₄-na-na-a dumu.munus šá ^{1ri-hat-^dinanna} ina-an-din' a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú [pu-ut]'a-ha-a'-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá šal-šú ina é mu.meš ^{1ki-din-^d60} ^{1na-din} [šal-šú](15') ina é mu.meš dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši} u ^{1ki-din-^d60} dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši-^d60} a-na'^{1ni-din-tu₄^dna-na-a} a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú šal-šú ina é mu.meš šá
[^{1ni-din-t}]u₄-^dna-na-a] dumu.munus šá ^{1ri-hat-^dinanna} dam ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1la-ba-ši}
[dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su]-e a ^{1é-kur-za-kir a-na} u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
[^{1mu-kin}, ¹] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1ni-din-tu₄^d60} dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ^{1hun-zu-ú}(20') [^{1ri-hat-^d60} dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-it] a ^{1lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur} li-giš u ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu[dumu].meš šá ^{1numun-ia} a ^{1šu-^d60} ^{1d}60-numun-giš u ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-numun-x
[a ^{1hun}]-zu-ú ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu šá ^{1šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú} a [^{1hun}]-zu-ú ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu
[dumu šá ^{1ta-nit-tu₄^d60} a ^{1lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur} ^{1d}utu-sur dumu šá ^{1ki-din-^d60}
[a ^{1lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur} ^{1d}utu-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ^{1lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur}(25') [¹] ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-mu'-nu a ^{1lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur} ^{1li}-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giša ^{1hun-zu-ú}

(blank)

[^{1inanna}]-mu'-kám ^{1ú}-umbisag' du[m]u šá ^{1d}60-su 'unug^{ki}' iti-zíz ud.14.kám mu.'70'.kám ^{1se-lu-ku} [lugal]

L.e. (captions lost; only part of three seal impressions partially visible)

R.e. un-qa [^{1ki-din-^d60} ^{1na-din} é mu.meš un-qa ^{1ki-din-^d60}B.e. [un]-qa [x x]'x x' un-[qa] ¹ina-qí-bit'-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-giš un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-gur'

U.e. 'un'-[qa] ... [un]-qa ... un-'qa' ... un-q[a ...]

Dossier. Women

Translation. ... -Anu/... .. Rihat-lštar/Anu-abu-utēr ... the lengths and the widths, measurement of this house of his, one third ... his brothers, for the full price of 50 š of silver, g.q. staters of Seleucus, to ¹Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-lštar, wife of Anu-abu-ušur/Lâbâši/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//EZ, forever. Silver: 50 š, full price of one third in this house, Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši has received from the hands of ¹Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-lštar; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu ... will clear it 12-fold and will give to ¹Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-lštar, forever. Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši, the seller of this one third of a house and Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this one third of a house, in perpetuity. This one third of a house belongs to ¹Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-lštar wife of Anu-abu-ušur/Lâbâši/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//EZ, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H

W2: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA

W3=??: Lišir/Zēriya//GA

W4=??: Anu-bêlšunu/Zēriya//GA

W5=B.e.3=701e: Anu-zēru-lišir/Anu-zēru-x//H

W6=B.e.4=701c: Anu-zēru-līšir/Anu-zēru-x//H
 W7=?=? : Anu-abu-uṭēr/Anu-zēru-x//H
 W8=B.e.2=701g: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//H
 W9=?=? : Anu-bēlšunu/Tanitti-Anu//LA
 W10=?=? : Šamaš-ētir/Kidin-Anu//LA
 W11=?=? : Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA
 W12=?=? : Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ittannu//KA
 W13=?=? : Līšir/Anu-zēru-līšir//H

Scribe: Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Anu-eriba. Uruk. Šabāt, day 14, year 70 Seleucus, the king

Seller= co-guarantor1=R.e.1=701h: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=701b: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu
 Buyer: 'Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-Ištar W Anu-abu-ušur/Lâbâši/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//EZ

Commentary. The date is partially broken. Both a reading 10 or 70 is possible for the year number, on the basis of the extant traces of the signs. Mitchell, Searight (2008, p. 215, #701) date the document to SE 70 'as a hypothesis': the date is now confirmed by both the identity of the scribe and the currency used for the payment. The scribe of the document, Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Anu-eriba writes, in fact, a set of contracts all dating to the period between SE 77 and SE 99.⁶¹ Moreover, if the contract dated to year 10, the king mentioned in the document would be Seleucus I and we would expect a payment in staters of Alexander, with the additional qualification of silver as refined (*qalû*).⁶² Conversely, here the price of the property is paid in staters of Seleucus and no qualification is added to silver: a date in the reign of Seleucus II (SE 66-86) is thus more appropriate.

Buyer of the property is 'Nidinti-Nanāya/Rihat-Ištar: we have no further evidence of this woman in the corpus. The seller is a certain Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši: he is probably the brother of 'Nidinti-Nanāya's husband).

R.e.: Reading of the signs on the R.e. is based on the photograph provided by the BM; collation of the original shows that they are no longer visible on the tablet.

Rev. 13', -^d60: clearly visible on the edge, on the original.

Format: note that the date formula is written on one line only.

61 see e.g. BM 105206 : SE 99; BRM 2 22//BiMes 24 1: SE 77; BRM 2 26: SE 85; BRM 2 27: SE 87; BRM 2 29: SE 96; BiMes 24 21: SE 82; BiMes 24 34: SE 96; BiMes 24 45: SE 92; CM 12 3: SE 87; OECT 9 24: SE 84; OECT 9 36: SE 97; OECT 9 38: SE 99; RIAA² 298: SE 96; VS 15 35: SE 86).

62 See in particular Monerie, PhD, Annexe V.

No. 47-P. Plate XLVII

Museum no.: BM 30119 (1856-9-3, 1515=W. 68?)/BM 109942
 Size: 8.1×9.9×2.7 (S)
 Format: type 2a, compact
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 74.XI.7 Seleucus II, staters of Seleucus, g.q.
 Date BC: 238.II.1
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 422-425; Pearce, HBTIN, P342299
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #703 and p. 254, #23; Pearce 2010, p. 323
 Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *hallatu*-orchard

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=703j: Anu-bêlšunu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah
 W2=U.e.2=703a: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//GA
 W3=L.e.3=703g: Līšir/Zēriya//GA
 W4=B.e.1=703h/B.e.2=lost: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Līšir//H
 W5=B.e.1=703h/B.e.2=lost: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//H
 W6=B.e.3=703b/L.e.2=703i: Rihat-Anu/Anu-iqīšanni//SLU
 W7=B.e.4=703d: Rihat-Anu and Anu-uballit/Anu-iqīšanni//SLU
 W8=B.e.3=703b/L.e.2=703i: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA
 W9=L.e.1=703e: Balātu/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA
 W10=U.e.3=703f: Anu-abu-utēr/Anu-zēru-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//H

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU

Seller=Clearer1=Guarantor1=R.e.1=703k: Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu
 Buyer=co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ and co-owners
 Clearer2=Guarantor2=R.e.2=703c: Anu-ahu-tuqqin/Anu-ittannu/(Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu)
 Clearer3=Guarantor3=R.e.3=: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ittannu/(Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu)

Commentary. Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu sells Lâbâši also another share of the same title for days 16-21 with **No. 53-P**. Clearer2=Guarantor2: Anu-ahu-tuqqin: the new reading by Pearce, HBTIN corrects HANE/M 8. The excavation number (W.68) is not visible on the surface of the tablet. Note that the scribe stamped the seals and wrote the captions on the surface of the L.e. of **No. 47-P** using a different orientation from that used on the L.e. of **No. 48-P**. Thus, the captions *un-qa* on the L.e. of **No. 48-P** appear next to the obverse; while, on the L.e. of **No. 47-P** are the names of the witnesses that appear next to the obverse. Both the impressions of the seal of W9 (Balātu) correspond to L.e.1 on the surface: what changes is the orientation of the edge.⁶³ W9, Balātu: Aramaic notation for the name of this individual in the seal impression (see Mitchell, Searight 2008, #703g and p. 254, #23; Pearce 2010, p. 323).

⁶³ Mitchell, Searight 2008, #703g=L3 and #704g=L3, must both be corrected into L.e.1. Correct also Pearce 2010, p. 323, fn. 105: her observation is in fact only true if the direction of writing on the edge is ignored.

No. 48-P. Plate XLVIII

Museum no.: BM 109942 (1914-4-4, 8)//BM 30119

Size: 8.3×9.5×2.8 (S)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 74.XI.7 Seleucus II, staters of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: 238.II.1 BC

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, 422-425

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #704 and p. 254, #23; Pearce 2010, p. 323; Pearce, HBTIN, P342272

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *hallatu*-orchard

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=704j: Anu-bêlšunu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah

W2=U.e.2=704a: Anu-ittannu/Zêriya//GA

W3=L.e.3=704g: Lîšîr/Zêriya//GA

W4=B.e.1=704h/B.e.2=lost: Ina-qibîr-Anu/Lîšîr//H

W5=B.e.1=704h/B.e.2=lost: Ina-qibîr-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//H

W6=B.e.3=704b/L.e.2=704i: Rihat-Anu/Anu-iqîšanni//SLU

W7=B.e.4=?: Anu-uballîṭ/Anu-iqîšanni//SLU

W8=B.e.3=?: L.e.2=703i: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballîṭ//LA

W9=L.e.1=704e: Balâṭu/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA

W10=U.e.3=704f: Anu-abu-utêr/Anu-zêru-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//H

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU

Seller=Clearer1=Guarantor1=R.e.1=704k: Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu

Buyer=co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ and co-owners

Clearer2=Guarantor2=R.e.2=?: Anu-ahu-tuqqin/Anu-ittannu/(Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu)

Clearer3=Guarantor3=R.e.3=?: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ittannu/(Anu-abu-ušur//Imbi-Anu)

u/Anu-māru-ittannu//LA

W10=U.e.3: Anu-abu-utêr/Anu-zêru-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//H)

Commentary. See commentary to the duplicate **No. 47-P**, above.

No. 49-P. Plate XLIX

Museum no.: BM 109939 (1914-4-4, 5)//YOS 20 37

Size: 8.6×10.2×2.6 (M)

Format: type 2b, split, RC-b

Place: Uruk

Date SE: [77.II.22 Seleucus II]

Date BC: 235.V.23

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 186-188; Pearce, HBTIN, P342281

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #712 and p. 254, #28; Pearce 2010, p. 324; Doty 2012, p. 27

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=712j: Līšir/Zēriya/[Anu-ušallim//GA]

W2=L.e.4=712h/U.e.5=712q: Anu-abu-ušur/[Nanāya-iddin/Lâbâši//K]

W3=L.e.2-3=712l-c/B.e.1=712f: Lâbâši]/Nidinti-Anu/[Anu-abu-ušur//K]

W4=L.e.2-3=712l-c/B.e.1=712f: [Lâbâši]/[Anu-ahu-iddin//Ah]

W5=B.e.5=712n: Anu-mukīn-apli

W6=B.e.4/U.e.5: [Anu-abu-ušur]/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//Ah]

W7=U.e.1=712j: [Ana-rabûti-Anu/Rabi-Anu//K]

W8=B.e.2=712a: Balātu/[Bassiya//EZ]

W9=L.e.4=712h/U.e.5=712q: [Anu-abu-ušur]/Mušēzib-Anu/[Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA]

W10=L.e.2=712c/L.e.3=712c/B.e.1=712f: [Lâbâši]/Anu-zēru-līšir/[...//Ah]

W11=L.e.1=712e: [Ana-rabûti-Anu]/Anu-bēlšunu/[...//K]

W12=U.e.3=712g: [Anu-abu-utēr/Ina-qibīt-Anu/...-līšir//H]

W13=U.e.2=712i: Nidinti-Anu/[Tanittu-Anu/Balātu//LA]

W14=U.e.4=712k: Anu-māru-ittannu/Nidinti-Istar, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/[Anu-uballit//SLU]

Seller1=clearer2=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=712m: Anu-ušallim/Lâbâši-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

Seller2=clearer3=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=712o: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

Seller3=clearer4=co-guarantor3=R.e.3=712b: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Balātu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

Clearer1=co-guarantor4=R.e.4=712p: Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-ikšur/[...]

Buyer=co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ) + alphabetic scribe

Commentary. The document can now be precisely dated on the basis of its duplicate, YOS 20 37.⁶⁴ Notably, the tablet was written the day before **No. 50-RE**. For Lâbâši's interest in title concerning the *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil, see above, § 6.1.1 "buyers" and Corò, forthcoming b. For the Aramaic in the seal impression of 711i, see Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 254, #28 and Pearce 2010, p. 324.

The contract includes the registration clause, highlighted by means of rulings.

WL: the names of the witnesses are reconstructed on the basis of the duplicate.

W1: the patronym of Līšir is Zēriya, as correctly recorded in YOS 20 37.⁶⁵

Scribe: patronym corrected on the basis of the duplicate.⁶⁶

712g=711i⁶⁷

Clearer1=co-guarantor4=R.e.4: both the name and the patronym appear on the edge.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L1=L.e.4; L2=L.e.3; L3=L.e.2; L4=L.e.1 here.

⁶⁴ Update Corò 2005, p. 153 and Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 220 accordingly. Duplicate identified by Wallenfels (see Doty 2012, p. 27).

⁶⁵ The translation Anu-zēru-iddin of the name in Corò 2005, p. 188 is a mistake for Zēriya (note that the transliteration is correct).

⁶⁶ Corrects the hypothetic reading of the sign in Corò 2005, p. 187. See also the edition of YOS 20 37 in HBTIN, P303993.

⁶⁷ As noted by Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 220.

No. 50-RE. Plate L

Museum no.: BM 116691 (1924-12-13, 5)

Size: 8.2×9.5×3.1 (S)

Place: Uruk

Format: type 1a, n-a.

Date SE: 77.II.23, Seleucus II

Date BC: 235.V.24

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #705

Description (type of transaction): division of property

- Obv. [im]dub ha.la šá 'ni-din-tu₄]-^{d60} 'ta-nit-tu₄-^{d60} [^{1d6}]0-šeš-mu u 'ina-qí-bit-^{d60}
 [x-x-x-x-x]-gal'-ši a 'kur-i i-na 'ki-šub-ba.meš šá bi-rit-šú-nu
 [x-x-x-x-'se]-lu-ku lugal i-na hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu ki a-ha-meš a-na u₄-mu 'ša'-[a-tú]
 ----- i-zu-zu -----
 ki-šub-ba-a x²-ka šu-x x-ka-šú 2-x da pu-ut-ía gab²-x²
 (5) an² ga² 'x-x' unug^{ki} 5 kùš uš an-ú 'imsi.sá da šà a.šà [...]
 [x] ki -ú 'im^u.lu₁₈ da šà a.šà 5 kùš sag.ki an.ta im^{mar}.tu₄ [...]
 5 kùš sag.ki ki.ta im^{kur}.ra da šà a.šà ma-šú(?) '5' kùš 'x' [...]
 sag.ki.meš-x' ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš 2-ta šu-ii ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš [...]
 ma-la ba-šú-ú gab-bi an-na-' ha.la šá 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} [x] nit'-tu₄ [...]

 (10) ki-šub-ba-a ki-ṭi' ká gal ^{di}škur šá qé-reb unug^{ki} 'uš' an-ú 'x' [...]
 da x x-nu mu. 'meš?' a.šà ú(?) uš ki-ú 'im^u.lu₁₈ da ki-šub-[ba-a ...]
 x-x-ši da² [x x] an.ta im^{mar}.tu₄ da é¹ [] x x [...]
 sag.ki ki.'ta' [im^{kur}.ra] da silá² rap-šú mu-taq dingir.m[eš ...] x
 é x mu.meš ù ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš [] da? i[...]
 (15) [x x] na-di (?) ina šu-ii 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá 'ri-x-tu₄-^{d60} [...]
 Rev. x x.meš x x 2-ta šu-ii ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la
 ba-šú-ú gab-bi an-na-' ha.la šá ^{1d60}šeš-mu u 'ina-qí-bit-^{d60} dumu.meš šá
^{1d60}din-iṭ a 'kur-i-----
 (20) x x ha.la-šú-nu ul i-ra-gu-ma ki a-'ha'-meš a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú ul i-šal.meš²
 x-nu ina ha.la-šú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú u [x x] pu-ut a-ha-meš a-na mu-ru-qu
 šá ha.la-šú-nu a-na a-ha-meš a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú u man-nam-ma
 šá ri-ik-su šá sur-ra an-na-'-ú šá-nu-ú šá la di.ku₅ u la ha-ra-ra
 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar šá 'se-lu-ku ina-an-din
 (25) 'ki-din-^{d60} dumu šá ^{1d60}gi 'ri-hat-^{d60} dumu šá ^{1d60}din-iṭ 'a'. [meš 'l]u-uš-tam-mar-^{di}škur
^{1d60}mu-nu dumu šá 'numun-ía 'li-giš dumu šá 'numun-í[a ...]^{d60}gi a.meš 'hun-z[u-ú]
 'ni-din-tu₄-^{di}štar dumu šá 'ni-din-tu₄-^{di}štar a 'kur-i 'šá-^{d60}iš-šú-ú x x] 'hun-z[u-ú]
^{1d60}ad-gur dumu šá ^{1d60}ad-šeš a 'hun-zu-ú 'ri-[...]]-šeš-mu a.meš x
^{1d60}šeš-x dumu šá 'ki-din-^{d60} a 'kur-i ^{1d60}en-šú-nu]-x a 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^{di}škur
 (1 blank line)
 'dum-qí-^{d60} ^{lu}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d60}din-iṭ a ^{1d30}ti-ér unug^{ki} it^x ud.23.kám
 mu.77.kám 'se-lu-ku lugal
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d60}en-šú-nu un-qa ^{1d60}ad-gur un-qa 'ri-hat-^{d60}
 R.e. un-qa 'ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} un-qa 'ta-nit-tu₄-^{d60} un-qa [^{1d60}šeš]-mu un-'qa' [...]
 B.e. un-qa 'šá-^{d60}iš-šú-ú un-qa ^{1d60}mu-nu un-qa 'ki-din-^{d60}
 U.e. un-qa 'ni-din-tu₄-^{di}štar un-qa ^{d60}ik-šur un-qa 'li-giš

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Tablet of the share in the undeveloped plots that (Nidinti-Anu), Tanittu-Anu, Anu-ahhē-iddin and Ina-qibīt-Anu ... have voluntarily divided among them forever ... Seleucus king. --- The undeveloped plot ... front (?) Uruk, 5 cubits the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the middle of the field ... lower (long side), to the south, adjoining the middle of the field, 5 cubits the lower long side, to the west... 5 cubits the lower short side to the east adjoining the middle of the field ... 5 cubits ... the short sides ? these undeveloped plots, half of the undeveloped plot, ... the whole of it, this is the share of Nidinti-Anu --- The undeveloped plot in the district of the Ištar Gate in Uruk, the upper long side ... field (?), the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the undeveloped plot ... the upper ... to the west adjoining the house (?) ..., the lower short side to the east, adjoining the wide street, alley of the gods ... this ... house and this undeveloped plot ... from the hands of Nidinti-Anu/Ri-...-Anu ... a half of this undeveloped plot, (as much as there is), the whole of it, this is the share of Anu-ahū-iddin and Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballit//K. --- concerning their share he will not bring suit forever; he will not ... concerning his share forever ... guarantees forever against claim concerning their share and whoever makes a change to this written contract will pay 1/3 m of silver of Seleucus without lawsuit or contestation.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3=705h: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ušallim//LA
 W2=L.e.3=705c: Rihat-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA
 W3=B.e.2=705a: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//H
 W4=U.e.3=705g: Lišir/Zēriya//H
 W5=?=? : .../Anu-ušallim//H
 W6=U.e.1=705j: Nidinti-Ištar/Nidinti-Anu//K
 W7=B.e.1-0705f: Ša-Anu-iššû/...//H
 W8=L.e.2=705b: Anu-abu-uṭēr/Anu-abu-ušur//H
 W9=?=? : Ri...// ?
 W10=?=? : .../Anu-ahu-iddin//?
 W11=?=? : Anu-ahu-x/Kidin-Anu//K
 W12=L.e.1: Anu-bēlšunu/...//LA

W?=U.e.4=705e
 W?=L.e.4=705i
 W?=U.e.2=705k

Scribe: Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU. Uruk, ..., day 23, year 77, Seleucus king

Owner1=R.e.1=705d: Nidinti-Anu/...//...
 Owner2=R.e.2=lost: Tanittu-Anu/...//...
 Owner3=R.e.3=lost: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit//K
 Owner4=R.e.4=lost: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballit//K

Commentary. The text records a division of undeveloped plots. It is not clear where the first share is located, while the second is in the district of the Ištar Gate.

The tablet is characterised by dividing lines separating the different text sections. The scribe runs out of space twice and writes the text on the diving lines. As Mitchell, Searight 2008 note the text is connected via seals to **Nos. 48-P, 54-P** and **56-P**.

Note that Mitchell, Searight L1-3 correspond to L.e. 3-1 here

There is a chance that the left alignment of the left and lower edges is due to the fact that some of the witnesses are not sealing the document.

The witness list is not introduced by *mukinnū*.

No. 51-P. Plate LI

Museum no.: BM 105191 (1913-4-16, 23)
 Size: 7.9×9.7×3.0 (S)
 Format: type 1a, split
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 77.[x].3
 Date BC: 235-234.x.3
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 273-275; Pearce, HBTIN, P342289
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #706
 Description (type of transaction): lease of *sirāšûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=706e: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//GA
 W2=B.e.2=706b: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ⁶⁸
 W3=?=? : Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu
 W4=?=? : Anu-māru-ittannu/Mannu-ki-lštar
 W5=L.e.2=706c: Anu-.../Nidinti-lštar⁶⁹, alphabetic scribe
 W6=?=? : Anu-ahhē-iddin/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe
 W7=?=? : Anu-ahhē-iddin and Ušuršu-Anu/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe
 W8=?=? : Kidin-Anu/llūt-Anu, alphabetic scribe

Scribe: Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit

Lessor=R.e.1=706a: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Tattannu
 Lessee=R.e.2=706d: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin

Commentary. On the importance of this text for the dossier concerning Lâbâši's activities as prebend holder, see HANE/M 8, pp. 89-92 and Corò 2005b, p. 79. See also § 6.2.2, above.

Despite the absence of clan affiliation for the scribe, it is clear that the Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit belonging to the SLU family is meant here. W5-W8: a number of alphabetic scribes are mentioned in the witness list⁷⁰.

A clause specifying that each party took a copy of the contract is added to the main text, separated from it by means of a blank. The scribe uses blanks also to separate the text of the second line of the date formula into blocks.

Kennedy's preliminary transliteration available.

68 Since the clan name is here missing, it seems more likely that the extant traces are those for É and KUR (and the clan name is to be read Ekur-zākīr): corrects both HANE/M 8, p. 274, line 24 and Pearce, HBTIN, P342289: Obv. 9.

69 Reading in HBTIN, P342289: l. 11 corrects HANE/M 8, p. 274, Rev. 26.

70 On the alphabetic scribes of Uruk see Clancier 2005. A full reconsideration of their role and their families in Seleucid Uruk is the object of an article by the present author, currently in preparation.

No. 52-P. Plate LII

Museum no.: BM 105194 (1913-4-16, 26)

Size: 10.2×12.4×2.1 (L)

Format: Type 3a, n-a (fragmentary)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (38-77.x.x); pure silver, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: (274-234.x.x)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 403-405; Pearce, HBTIN, P342271 (collations)

Seals: unsealed

Description (type of transaction): sale of food prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:⁷¹

W1': [...]/Kidin-Anu//EZ

W2': [...]/Ah

W3': [...]/Illut-Anu//K

W4': [...]/Ah

W5': [...]/Zêriya//GA⁷²

W6': [...]/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

W7': Anu-ahhe-iddin/...

[...]

W8': [...]/Anu-abu-ušur//Ah

W9': [...]/Nidinti-Anu

Scribe: lost

Seller=co-guarantor1: Šibqat-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu

Buyer: Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Co-owner: Nanāya-iddin/Rabi-Anu//LA

Clearer=co-guarantor2: Ina-qibit-Anu/Rihat-Anu

Commentary. The document belongs to the Lâbâši dossier. Šibqat-Anu is recorded as witness in BRM 2, 15 (SE 56 a sale of a prebend, featuring again Lâbâši as buyer), as neighbour in OECT 9 5 (SE 28).

The edges of the tablet are unsealed and anepigraphic; if the idea that *gab-ri-šú* in Rev. 2' is a reference to the fact that this tablet was a copy of another document this might be the reason why it is not sealed.

71 The exact number of witnesses cannot be reconstructed; numbering is purely hypothetical and only refers to single individuals, not to their actual position in the list. No attempt at reconstructing the number of actual missing witnesses in the breaks has been done here.

72 For the clan name see collation in HBTIN, P342271, r. 3.

No. 53-P. Plate LIII

Museum no.: BM 105198 (1913-4-16, 30)

Size: 8.9×10.3×3.1 (M)

Format: type 1a, split

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (66-77.x.x), staters of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: (246-234.x.x)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 425-426; Pearce, HBTIN, P342300 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #772 and p. 255, #42; Pearce 2010, p. 306 fn. 28 and p. 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *hallatu*-orchard

Dossier. Lâbâši-L (L/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.1=772f: Lâbâši

W?=L.e.2=772b: Bêlšunu

W?=L.e.3=772c: Ištar-šumu-ibni

W?=B.e.1=772i: Bassiya

W?=B.e.2=772a: Nanāya-iddin

W?=B.e.3=772e: Anu-ahhe-iddin

W?=U.e.1=lost: Anu-ikšur

W?=U.e.2=lost: Anu-uballiṭ

W?=U.e.3=lost: Nidinti-Anu

W?=U.e.4=lost: Anu-abu-ušur

Seller=Clearer1(=co-guarantor1?)=R.e.1=772d: Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nādin-Anu//Imbi-Anu

Buyer=co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Clearer2(=co-guarantor2?)=R.e.2=772g: Ištar-ahhe-iddin/Anu-ittannu

Clearer3(=co-guarantor3?)=R.e.3=772h: Ištar-ahhe-iddin and Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ittannu

Commentary. The date of the tablet can be assigned to the range SE 66-77, combining the fact that Lâbâši appears in the document as buyer (and co-owner) and that the price for the prebend is paid in staters of Seleucus.

Witnesses: the names of the witnesses can only be reconstructed on the basis of the seal captions; the numbering does not reflect the order in which they appear in the witness list (which is completely broken).

Direction of writing on the right edge runs contrary to usual;⁷³ note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, 667h (labelled R1) actually corresponds to R.e.3 and 667d (labelled R3), is located on R.e.1.

⁷³ As noted already in HANE/M 8, p. 426, fn. 14.

No. 54-P. Plate LIV

Museum no.: BM 109940 (1914-4-4, 6)//BM 93003 (Oppert 3)
 Size: 8.6×9.8×2.8 (S)
 Format: type 2a, split, RC-b
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 78.I.27, Seleucus II; staters of Seleucus g.q.
 Date BC: 234.V.17
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 180-183; Pearce, HBTIN, P342279 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #709
 Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

Dossier. Lâbâši's son (AZI/L//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=lost: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//GA
 W2=U.e.4=lost: Anu-abu-utēr/Zēriya//GA
 W3=B.e.3=709h: Līšir/Zēriya/Anu-ušallim//GA
 W4=U.e.2=709g: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah
 W5=U.e.3=709c/L.e.2=709f: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W6=B.e.5=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//LA
 W7=B.e.4=709a: Balātu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//LA
 W8=B.e.1=lost: Bassiya/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//EZ
 W9=U.e.5=709e/L.e.1=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin(?)//K
 W10=L.e.4=lost: Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ
 W11=U.e.1=709e: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit//H
 W12_L.e.3=709b: Anu-mukīn-apli/ Anu-ahhe-iddin//Ah
 W13=L.e.2=709f/U.e.3=709c: Anu-uballit/Anu-iqīšanni//SLU
 W14=U.e.5=709e/L.e.1=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU

Seller1=clearer3=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=lost: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA
 Seller2=clearer4=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=lost: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Balātu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA
 Clearer1=co-guarantor3=R.e.3: Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/ Balātu//LA
 Clearer2=co-guarantor4=R.e.4: Anu-ušallim/Nanāya-iddin//LABuyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ
 Co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The document features Anu-zēru-iddin, the son of Lâbâši, as buyer.⁷⁴ For the involvement of members of the Lâbâši family in transactions concerning the *ērib bītūtu* prebends of Enlil see above, § 6.1.1, especially the section 'buyers'. The connection of this tablet with **No. 49-P** is clear: Ana-rabûti-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu, jointly with Ana-rabûti-Anu's eldest brother, Anu-ušallim, sold Anu-zēru-iddin's father a share in the same type of prebend and for same days, the year before (see **No. 49-P**, above).

The text is the duplicate of one of the tablets excavated by Loftus. Although the reverse of the tablet is very badly preserved, it is clear from what remains of it that the contract (as it duplicate) included the registration clause and that the scribe framed it within rulings. On the use of rulings see above, § 2.3.3. The possibility that the use of rulings to frame the clause reflected a particularly visual way of organising the text on the surface of the tablet that particular scribes (especially those of the SLU family) learned in the context of scribal education is explored above (see § 8.1.)

Upper edge written upside down with

⁷⁴ On his activities see HANE/M 8, p. 94.

No. 55-P. Plate LV

Museum no.: BM 93003 (Oppert 3)=W.112 (1856-09-03, 1518)//BM 109940
 Size: 8.8×10.3×2.9 (M)
 Format: type 2a, split[?], RC-b
 Place: Uruk
 Date: SE 78.I.27, Seleucus II, staters of Seleucus g.q.
 Date BC: 234.V.17
 Copy: Bertin 2892-2893
 Bibliography: Oppert, Mènant 1877, pp. 306-312; HANE/M 8, pp. 160-161
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #708.
 Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

Dossier. Lâbâši's son (AZI/L//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=708a: Anu-ittannu/Zēriya//GA
 W2=B.e.4=708n: Anu-abu-utēr/Zēriya//GA
 W3=U.e.3: Līšir/Zēriya/Anu-ušallim//GA
 W4=B.e.2=708f: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah
 W5= B.e.3=708c/L.e.2=708b: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W6=U.e.5=708l: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//Ah
 W7=U.e.4=708q: Balātu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//LA
 W8=U.e.1=708r: Bassiya/līštar-šumu-ēreš//EZ
 W9=B.e.5=708k/L.e.1=708p: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin(?)//K
 W10=L.e.4=708o: Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ
 W11=B.e.1=708m: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit//H
 W12=L.e.3=708e: Anu-mukîn-apli/ Anu-ahhe-iddin//Ah
 W13=B.e.3=708c/L.e.2=708b: Anu-uballit/Anu-iqīšanni//SLU
 W14=B.e.5=708k/L.e.1=708p: Anu-abu-ušur/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU

Seller1=clearer3=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=708i: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA
 Seller2=clearer4=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=708g: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Balātu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA
 Clearer1=co-guarantor3=R.e.3=708d: Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/ Balātu//LA
 Clearer2=co-guarantor4=R.e.4=708h: Anu-ušallim/Nanāya-iddin//LA
 Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ
 Co-owner: Lâbâši/Anu-zēru-iddin//(EZ)

Commentary. See **No. 54-P**. For the identification of this text with one of the tablets excavated by Loftus see above, § 1.1.

No. 56-P. Plate LVI

Museum no.: BM 105205 (1913-4-16, 37)

Size: 8.7×10×3.0 (S)

Format: type 2b, split (slightly irregular), RC-b

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 78.x.x., Seleucus II; stators of Seleucus

Date BC: 234/233.x.x

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 275-277; Pearce, HBTIN, P342290

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #707 and p. 254, #26; Pearce 2010, pp. 310 and 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of *sirāšûtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši's son (AZI/L//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.4=707f: Anu-zêru-iddin Ša-Anu-iššû//H

W2=U.e.1=lost: Anu-bêlšunu/Lâbâši/Nidinti-Anu//Ah

W3=L.e.3=707a: Anu-ittannu/Zêriya//GA

W4=U.e.2=707g/B.e.1=707d: Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Ina-qibîr-Anu//Ah

W5=L.e.2=707h: Bassiya/Ištar-šumu-êreš//EZ

W6=U.e.4=707e: Ina-qibîr-Anu/Anu-abu-utêr//Ah

W7=U.e.3=707c: Anu-ušallim/Zêriya//GA

W8=U.e.2=707g/B.e.1=707d: Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu//LA

W9=L.e.1=707b: Anu-mâru-ittannu/Mannu-ki-Ištar, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU

Seller=clearer1=co-guarantor3=Ri.e.1=lost: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Rihat-Anu//H

Clearer2=co-guarantor2=Ri.e.2=lost: Sumuttu-Anu/(Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Rihat-Anu//H)

Clearer3=co-guarantor3: Illût-Anu/(Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-uballit/Rihat-Anu//H), his sons

Commentary. The buyer is again the son of Lâbâši, i.e. Anu-zêru-iddin and the scribe of the document is the same Nidinti-Anu who wrote, among others, **Nos. 54-P//55-P**. Also this contract includes the registration clause. See commentary to **No. 54-P**, for further comments. The witness list is organised into columns. The symmetry of the columns is broken in Rev. 28 and Rev. 35; in the first case, due to the fact that Anu-bêlšunu (W2) is identified by a four-tier onomastic chain; in the second case, just because the name of the individual, Mannu-ki-Ištar, is particularly long. The clan name is replaced, in this case, by the name of profession.

Note the following correspondences between Mitchell, Searight 2008 and our labels: L1=L.e.4; L2=L.e.3; L3=L.e.2; L4=L.e.1.

No. 57-RE. Plate LVII

Museum no.: BM 114407(1920-6-15, 3)

Size: 9.5×10.8×3.0 (M)

Format: type 1b, split

Date SE: 82.V.18, Seleucus II.

Date BC: 230.VIII.20

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #710.

Description (type of transaction): quitclaim, *bītu epšu* in the quarter of the Adad temple. NSWE

- (1) *'mim'-ma dib-bi 'di.ku₅' u [ra]-'ga'-mu šá 'še-zib-ba-ta-na-''*
 [¹]^{d60}-ad- šeš 'ir-^d[sag] ù 'lu-la-^dinanna
 [... du]mu[?].meš šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá 'še-zib-ba-ta-na-'
 [a-na muh-hi] é ép-šú šá ina ki-tì é ^diškur šá qé-reb
- (5) [unug^{ki} x kùš u]š an-ú ^{imsi}.sá da é ep[?]-šú[?] šá [^{d60}]-mu-nu
 [dumu šá 'ta]t-tan-nu u da é ¹ana-gal-^{d60} dumu šá 'ri-hat-^dinanna
 [x kùš uš ki]-ú ^{imu₁₈}.lu da é ^{1d60}-din-su dumu šá
 [^{1d}gašan-a-d]e-ha-na-at u da é ^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu 'dumu šá'
 [¹]^{d60}-x x 10[?] kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{imm}mar.tu da sila 'qat-nu[?] [x x] 'x'
- (10) [x kùš sag.ki ki.t]a ^{imm}kur.ra da é 'ki-din-^{d60} [...]
 [...] lugal[?] it-ti 'še-zib-ba-ta-na-[?] u ^{1d60}[din-su]
 [dumu.meš šá ^{1d}gašan-a-de]-ha-na-at a-na u₄-mu [ša-a]-'tú' 'ia'-a-[nu]
 [ú-ul i-šal-la-tu-ma 'še-zib]-ba-ta-na-[?] ^{1d60}-ad-šeš[?] 'ir-s[ag]
 [ù ']¹lu-la-^dinanna[?] [dumu.meš šá] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu é mu.meš a-na [kù.babbar]
 (15) [a-n]a ri-'mut-tú' a-na nu-dun-nu-ú a-na e-peš šu-[bu-ú-tú]
 [a-na] ma-'nam šá-nam'-ma gab-bi e-lat 'še-zib-ba-t[a-na-']
 [u ^{1d60}-din-su du]mu.meš šá ^{1d}gašan-a-de-ha-na-at u[l id-din-']
 Rev. [u ul i]-nam-din-[?] ù ki-i id-din-[?] ù it-tan-[nu-']
 [ul] 'u-šú-zu é mu.meš šá 'še-zib-ba-ta-na-[?] [u[?]]
 (20) [^{1d60}-di]n-su dumu.meš šá ^{1d}gašan-a-de-ha-na-at a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú
 [šú-ú]
^{1d}mu-kin₇
¹la-ba-ši-^{d60} dumu šá 'tat-tan-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir
^{1d60}-šeš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}utu-mu a 'hun-zu-ú
 (25) ¹gi-^{d60} dumu šá ^{1d60}-ad-šeš a 'šeš-ú-tú
¹ta-nit-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá ^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu a 'šeš-ú-tú
¹su-mut-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá 'ta-nit-tu₄-^{d60} a 'šeš-ú-tú
¹šá-^{d60}-iš-šú-ú dumu šá ^{1d60}-numun[?]-giš[?] a 'im-bi-^{d60}
^{1d60}-numun-giš dumu šá 'x[...] (blank)
 (30) 'il-lu-ut-^{d60} dumu šá 'ina-'qí'-bit-^{d60} (blank)
 (blank line)
^{1d60}-šeš-mu-nu ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá 'ri-hat-^{d60} a ^{1d30}-ti.ér
 unug^{ki} ^{iti}ne ud.18.kám mu.82.kám 'se-lu-ku lugal

L.e. [un]-qa [¹su-mut-tu₄-^{d60}] un-qa 'ta-'nit-tu₄-[^{d60}] un-qa '^{1d60}-šeš-mu'

R.e. [un-qa 'še-zib-ba-ta-na-[?] un-qa ^{1d60}-ad-šeš[?] un-qa 'ir-^dsag un-qa 'lu-la-^dinanna

B.e. [un]-qa [¹g]i-^{d60} un-qa 'il-lu-ut-^{d60}

U.e. un-qa [¹šá]-^{d60}-iš-šú-ú un-qa ^{1d}[60-numun-gi]š un-qa 'la-ba-ši-^{d60}

Dossier. Foreign names

Translation. There will be no lawsuit, legal proceeding, or claim on the part of Sezibatanā, Anu-abu-ušur, Arad-rēš and 'Lulā-lštar (...) sons of Nanāya-iddin/ Sezibatanā with regard to the built house located in the district of the Ištar Gate inside Uruk, x cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of ... -ittannu/Tattannu and adjoining the house of Ana-rabūti-Anu/Rihat-Ištar; x cubits the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat and adjoining the house of Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-...; x cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoin the narrow street ...; x cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Kidin-Anu/ ... -šarri with Sezibatanā and Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat, in perpetuity. They will not have power of disposition. Sezibatanā, Anu-abu-ušur, Arad-rēš and Lulā-lštar/Nanāya-iddin have not given, nor will give this house for silver, as a gift, as a dowry, for disposal, for anything and to anyone else except to Sezibatanā and Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat; and if they have given or will give it, it will not be valid (or they will not stand?). This house belongs to Sezibatanā and Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.3=710g: Lâbâšî-Anu/Tattannu//EZ
 W2=L.e.3=lost: Anu-ahu-iddin/Šamaš-iddin//H
 W3=B.e.1=710a: Mušallim-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//Ah
 W4=L.e.2=710d: Tanittu-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Ah
 W5=L.e.1=lost: Sumuttu-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah
 W6=U.e.1=710f: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-zêru-līšir(?)/Imbi-Anu
 W7=U.e.2=710e: Anu-zêru-līšir/[PN]
 W8=B.e.2=710c: Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu

Scribe: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//SLU. Uruk. Ab, day 18, year 82, Seleucus, the king

Waiver1=R.e.1=lost: Sezibatanā/Nanāya-iddin/Sezibatanā
 Waiver2=R.e.2=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin/Sezibatanā
 Waiver3=R.e.3=710h: Arad-rēš/Nanāya-iddin/Sezibatanā
 Waiver4=R.e.4=710b: Lulâ-līštar/Nanāya-iddin/Sezibatanā
 Beneficiary1: Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat
 Beneficiary2: Sezibatanā/Bēlet-adehanat
 N-neighbour1+N-neighbour2: x-ittannu/Tattannu and Ana-rabûti-Anu/Rihat-līštar (house)
 S-neighbour1+S-neighbour2: Anu-uballissu/Bēlet-adehanat and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-... (house)
 W-neighbour: narrow street
 E-neighbour: Kidin-Anu/... -šarri (house)

Commentary. The document sets the property rights over a house in the district of the līštar gate in Uruk. The three sons and one daughter of Nanāya-iddin waive any claims they might have to the aforementioned house in favour of Anu-uballissu and Sezibatanā, sons of Bēlet-adehana. It is not clear if v/Bēlet-adehanat is in any way related to the waivers.

The beneficiaries already own a house located south of the one that is the object of transaction.

The WL is organised into columns but the columns are separated by very small blanks. Note that writing develops on the R.e. and L.e. opposite the usual orientation. Thus 710b (R1) and 710h (R2) correspond on the tablet to R.e.4 and R.e.3, respectively.

No. 58-RE. Plate XVIII

Museum no.: BM 105177//109948 (1913-4-16, 9)

Size: 8.6×9.8×3.0 (S)

Format: type 1/2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 82.x.26, Seleucus II; staters of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: 230/229.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2014, pp. 130-131; 135 (names)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #768; Pearce 2010, p. 324

Description (type of transaction): sale, *bitu epšu sippi raksu* in the district of the Adad temple. WENS-I; NSWE-II

- Obv. [i]^rna-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-numun-gál-ši dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-gál-ši
[i]na hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu é ép-šú sip-pi rak-su ki-ti é ^diškur šá qé-reb unug^{ki}
24 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}mar.tu da é ¹a-pùl-lu-ni-su dumu šá ¹ka-ar-mu-ú-nu
24 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}kur.ra da é ¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu-nu
(5) ¹⁶ga-la-bi 21 5/6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}si.sá da sila la-šu-ú mu-rad
íd ^dinanna šá ina lib-bi mu-šu-ú šá é mu.meš u da é ¹a-pùl-lu-ni-su 21 kùš
sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}u₁₆.lu da é ^{1d}60-numun-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur meš-hat ša-ni-tu₄
šá é mu.meš 9 šal-šú kùš uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da meš-hat igi-ti šá é mu.meš
9 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₆.lu da é ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš a
(10) ¹im-bi-^d60 4 1/2 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é ¹a-pùl-lu-n[i-su]
4 1/2 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da é ^{1d}60-numun-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-[gur]
[pap] 2.ta ¹meš-hat šá é mu.meš ¹i-ši u ma-[a]-du ma-la ba-šu-ú
[g]ab-bi a-na 2 1/3 ma.na kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-ku
[bab]-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-šes¹-mu-nu dumu šá
(15) [k]i-din-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-šes¹.meš-mu a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din-¹ kù.babbar ¹a₄
[2] 1/3 ma.na šám é mu.meš ¹na-na-[a-mu u ^{1d}60-numun-gál-ši]
Rev. [ina šu]-ii ^{1d}60-šes¹-mu-n[u] dumu šá [k]i-din-^d60 [ma-hir]-¹ e-[t]ir-¹ u₄-mu]
pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi é mu.meš ¹it-tab-šu-ú [ú ^{1d}na-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-numun-gál-ši]
¹⁶na-din-na-¹ é mu.meš dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 ¹ú-mar-raq-ma a-di [12-ta.àm]
(20) a-na ^d60-šes¹-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ki-[din-^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú ina²-an-din-¹
é mu.meš šá ^d60-šes¹-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹dumu šá ^{1d}inanna-šes¹.meš-mu]
a-na u₄-mu ¶ ša-a-tú ¶ šu-ú
¹⁶mu-k[in₇] ^{1d}60-din-iš dumu šá ¹la-ba-š[i ¹a ¹kur-i ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 [dumu šá ^{1d}60-mu-giš]
a ¹hun-¹[zu-ú ina]-qí-bit-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}utu-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹na-na-šes¹-gur [dumu šá]
(25) ¹numun-ia [a ¹šu]-^d60 ¹la-ba-ši u ^{1d}60-šes¹-mu dumu.meš šá ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu
¹a ¹kur-i ¹na-na-a-mu dumu šá ¹numun-ia a ¹šu-^d60 [...] (rest lost)
- L.e. [u]n-qa [^{1d}60-ad-šes¹] un-qa [^{1d}6]0-dumu-mu-nu un-[qa] ¹gi-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}[...]
R.e. [...] ¹⁶na-din-¹x [...]]
B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-¹it un-qa ^{1d}60-gi un-[qa] ^{1d}na-na-a-m[u] [un-qa ¹la-ba-ši]
U.e. [un-qa ¹ina]-¹qí-bit-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šes¹-gur [un-qa] ¹[PN un-qa PN un-qa ¹ina]-¹qí-bit-^d60

Dossier. No clan, professions

Translation. Nanāya-iddin and Anu-zēru-ušabši/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-ušabši voluntarily sold in perpetuity to Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/lštar-ahhē-iddin, for 2 m of silver, g.q. staters of Seleucus, as the full price: a built house, door jambs fixed, in the district of the Adad temple, within Uruk; 24 cubits, the upper long side, to the west, adjoining the house of Apollōnios/Charmōn; 24 cubits, the upper long side, to the east, adjoining the house of Lābāši/Nanāya-ittannu, the barber; 21 5/6 cubits, the upper short side, to the north adjoining the dead-end street of the bank of the lštar canal, that is in (the middle of) the alley of that house and adjoining the house of Apollōnios; 21 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the house of Anu-zēru-lišir/Anu-abu-utēr; second measurement of this house: 9 and one third cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the preceding measurement of this house; 9 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-zēru-lišir//Imbi-Anu; 4 1/2 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Apollōnios; 4 1/2 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Anu-zēru-lišir//Anu-abu-utēr; total: two measurements of this house, as much as there is, all of it. The silver: 2 m, price of this house, Nanāya-iddin and Anu-zēru-ušabši received from the hands of Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu; they are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Nanāya-iddin and Anu-zēru-ušabši/Nidinti-Anu, the sellers of this house, will clear it; 12-fold they will give to Anu-ahu-ittanni/Kidin-Anu, in perpetuity. This house belongs to Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/ lštar-ahhē-iddin, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=768d: Anu-uballit/Lâbâši//K
 W2=U.e.1=lost: Ina-qibîr-Anu/Anu-šumu-līšir//H
 W3=U.e.5=lost: Ina-qibîr-Anu/Šamaš-iddin//H
 W4=U.e.2=lost: Anu-ahu-utêr/Zêriya//GA
 W5=B.e.4=768c: Lâbâši/Mannu-iqabbu//K
 W6=?=lost: Lâbâši and Anu-ahu-iddin/Mannu-iqabbu//K
 W7=B.e.3=768b: Nanāya-iddin/Zêriya//GA
 (W8=L.e.1=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin//K)
 (W9=L.e.2=lost: Anu-māru-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//K)
 (W10=?=lost: Anu-šumu-līšir/Anu-zêru-iddin//H)
 (W11=L.e.3=lost: Mušallim-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//Ah)
 (W12=B.e.2=768a: Anu-ušallim/Kidin-Anu//H)
 (W13=?=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zêru-iddin//Ah)
 (W14=?=: Lâbâši/.../Ebabbar-šumu-ibni)

Seller1=Clearer1: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zêru-ušabši

Seller2=Clearer2: Anu-zêru-ušabši/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zêru-ušabši

Buyer: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Ištar-ahhê-iddin

W-neighbour: Apollōnios/Charmōn (house)

E-neighbour: Lâbâši/Nanāya-ittannu, the barber (house)

N-neighbour: dead-end street of the bank of the Ištar canal+alley+Apollōnios/Charmōn (house)

S-neighbour: Anu-zêru-līšir/Anu-abu-utêr (house)

N-neighbour-II: previous measurement

S-neighbour-II: Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-zêru-līšir//Imbi-Anu (house)

W-neighbour-II: Apollōnios/(Charmōn) (house)

E-neighbour-II: Anu-zêru-līšir/Anu-abu-utêr (house)

Commentary. The tablet records the sale of a finished house in the district of the Adad temple. The two sellers and the buyer are all identified without the clan name. The date, lost in lacuna, can be safely restored as SE 82 on the basis if the duplicate, **No. 59-RE**.⁷⁵

The house is longer than it is wide, as reflected in the description of the sides, that is, unusually, WENS-oriented (see above, § 5.1).

It is irregularly shaped, as is clear from the fact that it is described as the sum of two different plots; with the exception of the N side, which opens up to the dead-end street of the banks of the Ištar canal, the house is bordered by other houses.

The barber Lâbâši/Nanāya-ittannu owns the house east of the main property; Anu-zêru-līšir/Anu-abu-utêr that laying south. The house to the west belongs to a certain Apollōnios/Charmōn, who can be identified with the individual who sold Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zêru-ušabši (the father of the sellers of our document) a house in the district of the Adad temple in YOS 20 96 (date lost).⁷⁶ It is clear from the description of the house in the two documents that the property is the same, which the sons of Nidinti-Anu inherited upon their father's death.⁷⁷ YOS 20 96 can thus be dated earlier than SE 82.

Obv. 5, ^uga-la-bi: usually spelled gal-la-bi in Uruk.

Obv. 8 and Rev. 21, mu.meš: meš written over erasure

Rev. 19, ⁿⁱdin-tu⁴: ^d60: ^d60 over erasure.

Rev. 22: a u sign here represented by ¶ to distinguish it from ordinary transliteration symbols, is used as a dividing sign to tabulate the text of this line. This format does not apply to the duplicate document.

It is not possible to determine if the tablet is type 1 or 2, due to the fact that the lower part of the reverse is broken.

⁷⁵ Both Monerie 2014, p. 131 (“sous le regne de Séleucos II ou de Séleucos III”) and Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 237, that include it among the ‘Hellenistic: not precisely dated’ tablets, can now be corrected.

⁷⁶ Although Apollōnios’ patronym reads *Ka-ši-pi-mu-ú-nu* in the copy of YOS 20 96 (and Doty 2012, p. 43), it is likely that this is either a scribe or a copyist’s mistake for *ka-ar-mu-ú-nu* (note Monerie 2014, p. 135: *ka-ar-mu-ú-nu*). This second spelling is in fact consistently used in **No. 58-RE//59-P**. Note also that a reading *‘a-pùl-lu-ni-su* for Apollōnios’ name seems to be preferred to *‘a-pal-lu-ni-su* of Doty 2012, p. 42 (followed by HBTIN, P304007, Obv. 3 and passim). Apollōnios also bore the Babylonian name Rihat-Ištar (YOS 20 96: Obv. 1).

⁷⁷ See Monerie 2014, p. 131; the date of BM 105177 (= **No. 58-RE**) can now be updated on the basis of the duplicate of the tablet (**No. 59-RE**), that was not known to him. In addition, the date of YOS 20 96 can now be set at least earlier than SE 82.

No. 59-RE. Plate LIX

Museum no.: BM 109948//105177 (1914-4-4, 14)

Size: 8.9×9.8×3 (S)

Format: type 2a, split

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 82.x.26, Seleucus II; staters of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: 230/229.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #711 and p. 254, #27; Pearce 2010, 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of a house (fragmentary)

- (Obv.) [^{1d}na-na]-⁷a-mu u ^{1d}60-numun-gál-[-š]i dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-gál-š]i ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu]
[é ép]-šú sip-pi-rak-su ki-ti é [^diškur ša qé-reb unug^{ki} 24 kùš uš an-ú]
[^{im}mar].tu 'da é ¹a-pùl-lu-ni-[-s]u dumu šá ¹ka-[-ar-mu-ú-nu 24 kùš uš]
[ki-ú] ^{im}kur.ra' da 'é ¹la-ba-š]i dumu šá ^{1d}[na-n]a-[-a-mu-nu ^{1d}ga-la-bi 21 5/6 kùš sag.ki]
- (5) [an.t]'a ^{im}si.sá da ' [sila la-šu-ú mu-rad šá id ^dinanna [šá ina lib-bi mu-šu-ú]
[šá é mu.m]eš [u da é ¹a-pùl-lu-ni-su [x] kùš sag.[ki ki.ta ^{im}u₁₈.lu da é]
[^{1d}60-num]un-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur 'meš-hat ša-ni-tu₄' šá é mu.meš 9 šal-šú kùš [uš an-ú]
[^{im}si.sá d]ja m[eš-hat igi-ti šá]é mu.m[eš 9] kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da [é]
[¹šá-^d60-iš]-šú-ú dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹im-bi-^d60 4 1/2 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.'tu da é'
- (10) [¹a-pùl]-lu-ni-su 4 1/2 kùš sag.ki ki.ta [^{im}kur.ra da é ^{1d}60-numun-giš]
[dum]'u šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur' pap 2.ta meš-hat šá é mu.meš é 'mu.meš i'-[š]i u ma-a-du]
[ma]-la ba-šu-ú 'gab-bi a-na 2 1/3 ma.na k[ù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu]
[š]á ¹se-lu-ku bab-ba-[nu]-ú-tú' a-na šám til.meš a-[na]
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60' du[mu šá] ^{1d}inanna-šeš.meš-m[u a-na]
- (15) u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din-' kù.babbar a₄' 2 1/3 ma.na 'šám é' [mu.meš]
[¹'^dna-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-'numun-gál-š]i ina 'šu'-ii ^{1d}60-'šeš-mu'-[nu ma-hir-']
- (Rev.) e-tir-' u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi é mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú ^{1d}na-na'-[a-mu]
u ^{1d}60-numun-gál-š]i ^{1d}na-din-na-['> é mu.meš dumu.meš šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 ú-mar-ra-q-m[a-']
a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-[tú]
- (20) ina-an-din-' é mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a'-[tú]
šú-ú
^{1d}mu-kin₇
^{1d}60-din-iš' dumu šá ¹la-ba-š]i a ¹kur-i ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-mu-giš a ¹hun-zu-ú
¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}utu-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-šeš-gur dumu šá ¹numun-ia a ¹šu-^d60
- (25) ¹la-ba-š]i u ^{1d}60-šeš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu a ¹kur-i ¹na-na-a-mu du[mu šá]
¹numun-ia a ¹šu-^d60 ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-[nu]
dumu šá ¹ri-hat-^d60 a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-mu-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹gi-^d60]
dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹šeš-'ú-tú ^{1d}60-gi dumu šá ¹ki-din-^d60 a ¹hun-[zu-ú]
^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹šeš-'ú-tú ¹la-ba-š]i dumu šá ^{1d}60-[...]
a ¹é.babbar-mu-dù
- (30) ¹dum-qí-^d60 ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iš' a ^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki} i[^{ti}x]
ud.26.kám mu.82.kám ¹se-lu-[ku lugal]
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-šeš un-qa ^{1d}[60-dumu-mu-nu] un-qa [¹gi-^d60] un-qa [...] un-qa 'x'-[...]
R.e. (lost)
B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-iš' un-qa ^{1d}60-gi un-qa ¹na-na-a-mu un-qa ¹la-ba-š]i
U.e. un-qa [¹]ina-qí]-bit-^d60' un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš'-[gur] un-qa [PN] un-[qa PN un-qa ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60]

Dossier. No clan, professions

Translation. See duplicate No. 58-RE.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=711g: Anu-uballit/Lâbâši//K

W2=U.e.1=711i: Ina-qibit-Anu/Anu-šumu-lišir//H

W3=U.e.5=lost: Ina-qibit-Anu/Šamaš-iddin//H

W4=U.e.2=711b: Anu-ahu-utēr/Zēriya//GA

W5=B.e.4=711c: Lâbâši/Mannu-iqabbu//K

W6=??: Lâbâši and Anu-ahu-iddin/Mannu-iqabbu//K

W7=B.e.3=711d: Nanāya-iddin/Zēriya//GA

W8=L.e.1=711k: Anu-abu-ušur/Nanāya-iddin//K

W9=L.e.2=711f: Anu-māru-ittannu/Rihat-Anu//K

W10=?=: Anu-šumu-līšir/Anu-zēru-iddin//H
W11=L.e.3=711h: Mušallim-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//Ah
W12=B.e.2=711a: Anu-ušallim/Kidin-Anu//H
W13=: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin//Ah
W14=?=: Lâbâši/.../Ebabbar-šuma-ibni

L.e.4=711j
L.e.5=711l
U.e.3=711e

Commentary. Rev. 29 and 31: note blanks resulting from short lines (last line of contract formulation and last line of WL).

Date formula: last line tabulated.

Seal impressions 711e, 711i and 711k bear Aramaic inscriptions. See Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 254, #27 and Pearce 2010, p. 324. Note that the following correspondences between locations in Mitchell, Searight 2008, #711 and on the tablet: L1=L.e.5; L2=L.e.4; L4=L.e.2; L5=L.e.1
W5=B.e.4=711c: the seal impression is probably the same as AUWE 19, no. 576.

Two small fragments are registered with the tablet. One reads *ki-din*^a[60]. It is not clear where it belongs (and if it belongs to this tablet at all). The other bears three isolated and not identifiable signs; it is not clear whether they belong to the tablet, too.

No. 60-RE. Plate LX

Museum no.: BM 105169 (1913-4-16, 1)

Size: 8.1×9.5×2.8 (S)

Format: type 1a, split

Date SE: 84.[x].07; Seleucus II, (...)

Date BC: 228/227.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #713

Description (type of transaction): sale, finished *kuruppu*. WENS

- Obv. ¹an¹-tu₄-dù-at [dumu.munus šá... dam ¹il-lut-^d60(?)] ¹dumu šá ¹šib-qát⁻[^d60]
¹inanna⁻mu-kám¹ ina ¹hu⁻ud lib-bi-šu é ku-ru-up]-¹pu¹ ép-šú ki-ti é [...]
 šá ¹qé⁻[reb unug^{ki} 16 kùš uš an-ú] ^{im}mar.tu da é ¹t[at²-...]
 [...] 16 kùš uš ki-ú [^mkur.ra...]
 (5) [...] ¹é¹ [¹]tat-tan-nu an-[na-a 5 1/2?] kùš
¹sag.ki an¹.t[^a ^{im}si.sá da ... ¹PN u] ¹id60-x⁻[...]-¹x¹ dumu.meš [šá]
¹id60-numun-giš 5 1/2² kùš sag.ki k[i.ta ^{im}u₁₈.lu da sila] rap-š[ú]
 mu-taq dingir.meš u lugal šu.nigin 16 kùš [... mi]-ših-t[^u₄]
 é ku-ru-up-pu [mu.meš] ¹é¹ ku-ru-[up-pu mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du] ma-la
 (10) ba-šu-ú¹ [gab-bi a-na...] ¹se⁻lu-[ku]
 bab-ba-n[^u-ú-tú ...] ¹dumu šá¹
¹[...] x
 [...] x
 [...] x x [...] ku]-ru-up-pu
 (15) [...] a-na ¹id60-du-a
 Rev. [...] pu-ut] a-ha-meš a-na mur-ru-qu
 [é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš ¹šib]-qát-^d60 u ¹an-tu₄-dù-at
 [...]-x [a-na ^u₄-mu] ¹ša-a⁻tu₄ na-šu-ú é ku-ru-up-[pu mu.m]eš
 [šá ¹id60]-du-a dumu šá ¹id60-din-su⁻e dumu¹ šá ¹ri⁻hat-^d60 a-na ^u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ šu-ú
 (20) [^{im}u]-kin₇
¹[^d60]-du-a¹ dumu šá ¹id60-[... ...] ¹dumu¹ šá [¹ki]-¹din⁻^d60 ¹na-na-a-mu u ¹id60-din-su-e dumu.meš-šú
 [a.m]eš ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹id60-en-šú-nu ¹dumu¹ šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a ¹šeš⁻-ú-tu
¹[^d60]-šeš-mu-nu ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 u [¹] ¹id60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá ¹tat-tan-nu
 [a.meš] ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹li-giš dumu šá ¹[...]-a dumu šá ¹id60-gi a ¹šu-^d[60]
 (25) [^d60]-du-a dumu šá ¹id60-šeš.meš-m[^u a ¹šeš⁻]-¹ú-tú ¹tat-tan-nu dumu ¹šá¹
¹[^dum]-qí-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹ki⁻din⁻^d60 dumu šá ¹id60-šeš-gál-ši a ¹é-kur-za-k[ir]
 [...]-^d60¹ dumu šá ¹id60-din-i^ṭ a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 (one blank line)
¹[^d60-en-šú-nu] ¹ú¹umbisag dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a ¹id30-ti-ér unug^{ki}
 (30) [^{im}x.kám] ud.7.kám mu.84.kám ¹se⁻lu-ku lugal¹
- L.e. [un-qa PN un-qa] ¹id60-šeš.meš-mu [un-qa] ¹ki-din-^d60 [u]n-q[a] ¹[¹na]-na-a-mu
 R.e. [un-qa ¹an-tu₄-dù-at na-din-at(?)] ¹un⁻qa ¹il-lut-^d60 dam-šú [... ^{im}] ¹mur⁻[r]u-qu
 B.e. [un-qa PN un-qa PN un-qa PN un-qa] ¹tat-tan-nu un-qa ¹nu.téš⁻^d60
 U.e. un-qa ¹id60-din-su-[e] un-qa [PN] un-[qa PN] [un-qa]a [...]

Dossier. women and shops

Translation. ¹Antu-banât/... (the wife of Illūt-Anu?)/Šibqat-Anu/Ištar-šumu-ēreš, voluntarily sold to (Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu for the full price of ...), g.q. (stators of) Seleucus the finished shop in the district of the temple ... within Uruk, 16 cubits, the upper long side, to the west, adjoining the house of Tattannu(?)/... 16 cubits, the lower long side, to the east, ... house of this Tattannu, 5 1/2 (?) cubits, the upper short side, to the north, adjoining ... and Anu-... /Anu-zēru-lišir; 5 1/2 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the wide street, passageway of the gods and the king; in total: 16 cubits ... measurement of this shop; this shop, as much as it is, all of it to Anu-mukīn-apli ... Šibqat-Anu and Antu-banât mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this shop, in perpetuity. This shop belongs to Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-.../EZ

W2=??: PN?/Kidīn-Anu//EZ

W3=L.e.4=lost: Nanāya-iddin/PN/Kidīn-Anu//EZ

W4=U.e.1=713b: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/PN/Kidīn-Anu//EZ

W5=??: Anu-bēlšunu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah

W6=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/ Tattannu//EZ

W7=B.e.5=713d: Lâbâši-Anu//Tattannu//EZ
 W8=L.e.2: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Tattannu//EZ
 W9=?=: Līšir/.../Anu-ušallim//GA
 W10=?=: Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah
 W11=B.e.4=lost: Tattannu/Dumqi-Anu//H
 W12=L.e.3=lost: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ
 W13=?=: ...-Anu/Anu-uballit//LA
 W?=U.e.2=713b
 W?=L.e.1=713e

Scribe: (Anu-bēlšunu)/Nidinti-Anu//SLU. Uruk; ..., day 7, year 84, Seleucus, the king

Seller=R.e.1=(clearer?)=co-guarantor2=lost: 'Antu-banât/... (W Illūt-Anu?)/Šibqat-Anu/lštar-šumu-ēreš
 Buyer=(clearer?)=co-guarantor1=R.e.2=713a: (Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu)
 W-neighbour: Tattannu(?)/... (house)
 E-neighbour: Tattannu (house)
 N-neighbour1 and N-neighbour2(?): ... and Anu-... /Anu-zēru-līšir
 S-neighbour: wide street, way of the gods and the king

Commentary. The text is one of the rare examples of contracts having shops as object in the BM collection, has been discussed above (See § 5.6). Seller is a woman; on the connections between women and shops, see above, § 5.6.1.

Rev. 16: *mur-ru-qu* variant for the more usual spelling *mu-ru-qu*. While its use cannot be ascribed to a specific individual, it is generally preferred by scribes claiming descent from the SLU clan, in particular Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti-Anu//SLU and Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//SLU.⁷⁸ It is thus possible to ascribe the present document to the hand of Anu-bēlšunu.

⁷⁸ Note among others, Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti-Anu//SLU: BRM 2 37 and 38; BRM 2 56//?YOS 20 71; VS 15 11 and 34; Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//SLU: BiMes 24 20; 24 46 (broken); HANE/M 8, 186-88 (broken); HANE/M 8, pp. 275-277 (broken); VS 15 14;

No. 61-P. Plate LXI

Museum no.: BM 109935 (1914-4-4, 1)//BM 105185
 Size: 9.5×10.8×3.1 (M)
 Format: type 1a, split; RC-a
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 86.XII.2, Seleucus III⁷⁹, staters of Seleucus g.q.
 Date BC: 225.III.13
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 328-229.
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #715.
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-AZI (AZI/L//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=715i: Anu-zêru-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//H
 W2=U.e.3=lost: Anu-šumu-līšir/Ša-Anu-iššû//H
 W3=U.e.2=715j: Anu-mukîn-apli/līštar-šumu-ēreš//H
 W4=U.e.4/B.e.2=715a/lost: Nanāya-iddin/Tattannu//EZ
 W5=U.e.5=715d: Anu-ikšur/Tattannu//EZ
 W6=B.e.1/L.e.4=715g/715h: Tanittu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//Ah
 W7=L.e.1=715e: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA
 W8=L.e.3: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA
 W9=L.e.2=715l: Anu-uballit/Kidin-Anu//LA
 W10= B.e.1/L.e.4=715g/715h: Tanittu-Anu/Kidin-Anu//H
 W11=B.e.3=lost: Dannat-Bêlti/Nanāya-iddin//LA
 W12=B.e.4=715m: Anu-uballit/Bassiya//EZ
 W13=B.e.5=715k: Anu-abu-ušur//Anu-mukîn-apli//GA
 W14=B.e.2=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu//H

Scribe: Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=715b: Šamaš-ētir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli/Rabi-Anu

Buyer: Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=715c: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//H

Commentary. Duplicates **No. 62-P**. The document features Anu-zêru-iddin, the son of Lâbâši, as buyer: on the activities of Anu-zêru-iddin in the context of his family dossier, see HANE/M 8, p. 94 and Corò 2005b, pp. 84-85.

Following Del Monte it is likely that the document, dated to the twelfth month of year SE 86, was written in the reign of Seleucus III. Note, that **No. 61-P//62-P** pre-date by ten days the earliest document ascribed to Seleucus III known so far.⁷⁹

Seller: Šamaš-ētir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli/Rabi-Anu; for the family name of this individual see the commentary to **No. 66-P**, below.

Note the following correspondences between Mitchell, Searight 2008 and the actual location of the seal impressions on the left edge:

L1=L.e.4; L2=L.e.3; L3=L.e.2; L4=L.e.1.

⁷⁹ Apparently Seleucus III was appointed king during the second semester of SE 86 (Oelsner 1986, p. 272, f); the earliest document (presumably) dated to his reign known to date is OECT 9 25 (12.XIII.86): see Del Monte 1997, pp. 232-233.

No. 62-P. Plate LXII

Museum no.: BM 105185 (1913-4-16, 17)//BM 109935
Size: 9.8×11.1×2.7 (M/L)
Format: type 1a, split; RC-a
Place: Uruk
Date SE: 86.XII.02, Seleucus (II or III?)
Date BC: 225.III.13
Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 326-327; Pearce, HBTIN, P342295
Seals: unpubl.
Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/L//EZ)

Commentary. See commentary to the duplicate **No. 61-P**.
The seal impressions on the edges of this tablet are not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.
The format and the layout of the two duplicates is exactly the same.

No. 63-RE. Plate LXIII

Museum no.: BM 109945 (1914-4-4, 11)

Size: 10.5×12×3.0² (L)

Format: (type n-a)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (approximately 51-88?)

Date BC: (261-224?)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bīt epšu u kišubbû* in the Ištār Gate district; WENS

- Obv. [I ¹] šá mu-šú šá-nu-ú¹ ^{1d60}šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1ki-din-d60} ^{1dan-na-at-d} [gašan a ¹]
 [ina hu-ud] lib-bi-šú re-bu-ú ma-la ha.la-šú gab-bi šá ki ^{1d60}din-it^{1d60} [...]
 [^{1d60}din]-it(?) dumu.meš šá ^{1ki-din-d60} šá ina é ép-šu u kiš-šub-ba.meš-šú šá ina ki-ti ká.gal ^{dinanna} ina [qé-reb]
 [unug^{ki} 2]4 kùš uš an-ú^{immar}.tu da é ^{1ap-la-a} dumu šá ^{1man-nu-ki-i-d}dil.bat 24 kùš u[š ki-ú^{imkur}.ra]
 (5) [da] meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄ šá é mu.meš 6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{imsi}.sá da é ^{1ap-la-a} dumu šá ^{1m[an-nu-ki-i-d]}dil.bat]
 '6' kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im₁₈}.lu da é ^{1ap-la-a} dumu šá ^{1man-nu-ki-i-d}dil.bat meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄
 [šá] é mu.meš xx 62 kùš uš an-ú^{immar}.tu da é ^{1ap-la-a} dumu šá ^{1man-nu-ki-i-d}dil.bat u [da]
 [meš]-hat igi-ti šá é mu.meš 67 šal-šú kùš uš ki-ú^{imkur}.ra da meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄ šá é mu.meš
 [u d]ja é ^{1gašan-su-nu} dumu.munus šá ^{1ki-din-d60} dam ^{1d60}šeš.meš-mu ^{1ma-hi-ra-nu} re-bu-ú ina é mu.[meš]
 (10) [dumu šá] ^{1dan-na-at-d}gašan 19 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{imsi}.sá da ki-šub-ba šá ^{1la-ba-ši} dumu šá ^{1du-a}
 [1]9' kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im₁₈}.lu da é ^{1a-ta-d60} ^{1sipa} gu₄ ki-šub-ba šá ^{1na-[na-a-mu]} u
^{1dan-na-at-d}gašan meš-hat šá-lul-tu₄ šá é mu.meš 45 kùš uš an-ú^{imkur}.ra da
 [me]š-hat igi-ti šá é mu.meš 45 kùš uš ki-ú^{imkur}.ra da meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄ kiš-šub-ba šá é mu.meš
 [u d]ja é ^{1ni-din-tu₄-d60} dumu šá ^{1gal-d60} 18 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{imsi}.sá da é ^{1gašan-su-nu} dumu.munus šá
 (15) ^{1ki-din-d60} dam šá ^{1d60}šeš.meš-mu ^{1ma-hi-ra-nu} re-bu-ú ina é mu.meš 18 kùš sag.ki ki.ta
 [^{im₁₈}.lu da] ki-šub-ba šá ^{1na-na-a-mu} u ^{1d60}šeš.meš-mu¹ dumu.meš šá ^{1dan-na-at-d}gašan meš-hat 4-tu₄
 [šá é mu.meš 2]8' kùš uš an-ú^{immar}.tu da meš-hat igi-ti šá é mu.meš 28 kùš uš ki[-ú^{imkur}.ra]
 [da sila sig l]a a-šu-ú mu-ra-du id ^{dinanna} 22 kùš sag.ki 'an.ta' [^{imsi}.sá da é]
 [^{1gašan-su-nu} dumu.munus šá ^{1ki-din-d60} dam ^{1d60}šeš.meš-mu ^{1ma-hi-ra-nu} re-b[u]-ú' [ina é mu.meš]
 (20) [22 kùš sag.ki] ki.ta ^{im₁₈}.lu da é ^{1ni-din-tu₄-d60} dumu šá ^{1ga}[l-d60]
 [¹ x 'mu. meš' (only traces extant)
 (rest lost)
 Rev. (lost)
 L.e. (lost)
 R.e. (lost)
 B.e. [un-qa] [un-qa]-mu-nu [un-qa]'ba-as-si'-[ia] [(two more lost?)]
 U.e. (illegible traces of two seal impressions extant)

Dossier: Dannat-Bēlti (?)

Translation. ... *alias* Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti//... voluntarily sold to Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti, one fourth, all of his full share which is with Anu-uballiṭ, Anu- ... x? /Kidin-Anu, in the built house and undeveloped plot, which is in the district of the Ištār Gate, in the quarter of Uruk: 24 cubits, the upper long side to the west, adjoining the house of Aplāya/Mannu-ki-Ištār; 24 cubits the lower long side to the east, adjoining the second measurement of this house; 6 cubits, the upper short side, to the north, adjoining the house of Aplāya/Mannu-ki-Ištār; 6 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the house of Aplāya/Mannu-ki-Ištār; second measurement of this house: 62 cubits the upper long side, to the west, adjoining the house of Aplāya/Mannu-ki-Ištār and adjoining the first measurement of this house; 67 cubits, the lower long side, to the east, adjoining the second measurement of this house and adjoining the house of 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu, the wife of Anu-ahhē-iddin, buyer of one fourth in this house, son of Dannat-Bēlti; 19 cubits, the upper short side, to the north, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Lābāši/Mukīn-apli; 19 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the house of Atta'-Anu, the oxherd, the undeveloped plot of Nanāya-iddin and Dannat-Bēlti; third measurement of this house: 45 cubits the upper long side to the west, adjoining the first measurement of this house; 45 cubits the lower long side to the east, adjoining the second measurement of the undeveloped plot of this house and adjoining the house of Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu; 18 cubits, the upper short side, to the north adjoining the house 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu, the wife of Anu-ahhē-iddin, buyer of one fourth in this house; 18 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the house of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti; 4th measurement of this house: 28 cubits, the upper long side to the west, adjoining the first measurement of this house; 28 cubits the lower long side, to the east, adjoining the dead-end narrow street at the bank of the Ištār Canal; 22 cubits, the upper short side, to the north adjoining the house of 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu, the wife of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti, buyer of one third of this house; 22 cubits, the lower short side, to the south, adjoining the house of Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=B.e.2: ...-ittannu

W?=B.e.3: Bassiya

Seller: PN=Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti/[...]

Buyer: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti

W-neighbour: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar

W-neighbour-II1: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar

W-neighbour-II2: 1st measurement

W-neighbour-III: 1st measurement

W-neighbour-IV: 1st measurement

E-neighbour: 2nd measurement

E-neighbour-II1: 2nd measurement

E-neighbour-II2: 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu W Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti

E-neighbour-III1: 2nd measurement

E-neighbour-III2: Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu

E-neighbour-IV: dead-end narrow street at the bank of the lštar Canal

N-neighbour: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar

N-neighbour-II: Lābāši/Mukīn-apli

N-neighbour-III: 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu W Anu-ahhē-iddin, the buyer

N-neighbour-IV: 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu W Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti, the buyer

S-neighbour: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar

S-neighbour-II1: Ata'-Anu, the oxherd

S-neighbour-II2: Nanāya-iddin and Dannat-Bēlti

S-neighbour-III: Nanāya-iddin and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti

S-neighbour-IV: Nidinti-Anu/Rabi-Anu

Commentary. The property, of irregular shape, is described as the sum of at least four different sub-plots (the tablet is broken after the description of the fourth measurement so that it is not possible to ascertain if any further measurement was added).

The seller, whom we know only by his alias Anu-ahu-ittannu, is the son of Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti (the clan name is not preserved). He sells a share of a house and undeveloped plot of land in the lštar Gate district to his uncle.

Due to the fragmentary conditions of the tablet, the name of the buyer is only indirectly preserved in the onomastic chain of his wife, who appears as the owner of one of the neighbouring properties (N-neighbour-II2; III and IV: 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu W Anu-ahhē-iddin, the buyer). Among the owners of the properties adjoining the main one are two more uncles of the seller, namely Nanāya-iddin and Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti.

It is not clear if 'Bēlessunu/Kidin-Anu is also the sister of the seller (as her surname might suggest), in addition to being married to his uncle. If this were the case, the document might belong to the Dannat-Bēlti' dossier (branch Luštammar-Adad) and 'Belēssunu, Nanāya-iddin and Anu-ahhē-iddin would all be the (so far unattested) nephews of the Dannat-Bēlti married to 'Bēlessunu in gen. 4 of the family.⁸⁰ If this were the case, it would be tempting to identify her with the un-named 'daughter of Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti' mentioned in BRM 2 14: 5.

A further connection between the present document and BRM 2 14 (dated SE 51), also recording the purchase of a property in the district of the lštar Gate and in the area of the bank of the lštar canal, might be suggested by the fact that the buyer of the property described in BRM 2 14 is the same Ata'-Anu, the oxherd, who appears in our document as the owner of the property adjoining, to the south, the second sub-plot that makes up the main property (S-neighbour-II1).⁸¹

Via Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar, owner of the properties laying west, south and north of the first sub-plot described in our document (W-neighbour; W-neighbour-II1; S-neighbour; N-neighbour), it is moreover possible to connect **No. 63-RE** to BRM 2 26 (SE 85), where Aplāya appears as the owner of the properties adjoining the main one to the S and W. Here again the area involved is that of the district of the lštar Gate (but no mention is made of the bank of the lštar canal).⁸² If the Mattanat-Anu/Ati'-Anu who is recorded in this document were the son of the Ata'-Anu (perhaps a variant for Ata'-Anu?) acting in BRM 2 14 and also in our document, we would have a third link between the three documents, which might suggest a date for **No. 63-RE** some time between the reigns of Antiochus II and Seleucus II (a scenario that would also fit well with the hypothesis that the document belong to the sixth generation of the Dannat-Bēlti dossier, branch Luštammar-Adad). The tablet is extremely interesting from the point of view of its layout. Unless fragmentary, it is a large tablet, written with a clear and regular handwriting. The scribe (whose name is unfortunately not preserved) leaves a blank space in the text any time he introduces the description of a new sub-plot, which is in general unusual.

Obv. 18. *mu-ra-du* (for the more common *mu-rad*) is a hapax. Due to the fragmentary conditions of the few remaining seal impressions, the tablet is not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

80 See Doty's reconstruction of the family tree (Doty 1977, p. 229, Fig. 6): 'Belēssunu/Kidin-Anu would have been named after her grandmother.

81 The relevant data regarding the ownership status of the areas adjoining the property described in BRM 2 14 are summarised here for the sake of clarity: BRM 2 14 (51 SE). Sale of finished house; Buyer: Ata'-Anu, oxherd. Borders: W: Anu-zēru-lišir/Nanāya-iddin//KM; E: house of the daughter of Kidin-Anu/Dannat-Bēlti (= our Belēssunu?); N: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar; S: street at the bank of the lštar canal.

82 The relevant data regarding the ownership status of the areas adjoining the property described in BRM 2 26 are summarised here for the sake of clarity: BRM 2 26 (85 SE). Sale of share in finished house. Buyer: 'Nidintu/Anu-ahu-ittannu W Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur. Borders: N: Mattanat-Anu/Ati'-Anu; S: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar; W: Aplāya/Mannu-ki-lštar + Mattanat-Anu/Ati'-Anu; E: Sumuttu-Anu and Anu-abu-ušur.

No. 64-P. Plate LXIV

Museum no.: BM 105209 (1913-4-16, 41)

Size: 8.2×10×2.8 (S)

Format: type 1b, split; RC-b

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (66-89).III.09; staters of Seleucus g.q.

Date BC: (246.VI.10-223.VI.25)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #773.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *sirāšûtu* prebend

- Rev. [1numun-ia u ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ... (?) dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60]-¹du-a¹ a.meš [šú-d60]
[ina hu]-ud¹ lib¹-[bi-šú-nu mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.16.kám] ¹ud.17.kám¹ ud.18.kám ud.19.kám
u mi-šil ina [ud.20.kám giš.šub.ba] ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú pap u₄-mu.meš
(5) šá a-na mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-m[ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš] ¹a-na giš.šub.ba ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú
ik-kaš-ši-du šá it-ti ^{1d}[šeš.meš] u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú-nu gab-bi a-na 1 ma.na
kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-ku bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na
^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din-¹u
(10) kù.babbar a₁ 1 ma.na šám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú mu.meš til-ri ¹numun-i[a]
u ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-du-a ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši mah-ru-¹
e-ṭir-¹ u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-ḫi mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám
ud.19.kám u mi-šil ina ud.20.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú
¹numun-ia u ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-du-a a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq-ma-¹
(15) a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹la-[-ba-ši] ¹a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú id-din-¹
pu-ut a-ha-meš a-na ¹[mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba] ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú mu.meš ¹numun-ia
u ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu.meš ¹šá ¹[^{1d}60-du-a na-šu-¹ mi-šil ina 1-en] u₄-mu
Rev. ina ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám ud.19.kám u mi-šil ina ud.20.kám ¹pap¹ mi-šil ina 1-en u₄-mu
(20) giš.šub.ba ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹la-¹ba-¹ši a ¹é-kur-za-kir
a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu
u₄-mu ma-la ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši ši-bu-ú giš.šub.ba ^{1d}lunga-ú-tú
mu.meš ina ^{1d}60-šeš šá giš.šub.ba.meš šá ina é.dingir ina mu-šú ú-šal-lam
^{1d}mu-kin₇
^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^{1d}60 [dumu šá ¹la-b]a-ši a ¹hun-zu-ú
(25) ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^{1d}60¹ [a ¹ é-kur-za-k]ir ^{1d}60-gi dumu šá
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹šú-^{1d}[^{1d}60-ab-šeš] dumu šá ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu
a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-šeš-mu [dumu šá ...] a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^{1d}iškur
^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-[šeš a ...] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá
a ¹du-a a ¹é.babbar-mu-[dù ...] dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
(30) a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^{1d}iškur ¹la-ba-[-ši] dumu šá ... a ¹é-kur-za-kir
^{1d}60-dumu-mu-¹nu dumu šá ¹ni-din-¹[tu₄-^{1d}ištar(?) ...] ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu dumu šá
[¹man-nu-ki-i-^{1d}dil.bat(?)] ^{1d}se-pir.meš níg.ga ^{1d}60
[...] a ^{1d}30-ti-ér
[...] ^{1d}60?
[PN ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá PN a ^{1d}30-ti]-¹ér¹ unug^{1d}ki it^{1d}isig.kám ud.9.‘kám’
[mu.x.kám ¹se-lu-ku lugal]
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}na-na-a-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu [un]-qa ¹la-ba-ši
R.e. un-qa ¹numun-ia un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-du-a ^{1d}na-din-na-¹ giš.šub.ba mu.meš
B.e. un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^{1d}60 un-qa ^{1d}na-na-a-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-ad-šeš [un-qa] ¹ki.kal-^{1d}gašan [un-qa] ^{1d}60-gi
U.e. un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši's son (AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. Zēriya and Anu-abu-ušur (...) /Anu-mukîn-apli//GA voluntarily sold to Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ one half in one day on days 16, 17, 18, 19 and one half in day 20, his *sirāšûtu* prebend, in total: those days before Anu ... Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, throughout the year, the *guqqû* and *eššešu* offerings, and whatever pertains to one half in one day on those days, to this *sirāšûtu* prebend, which is with all of their brothers and co-owners, for the full price of 1 m of silver, g.q. staters of Seleucus. The silver, 1 m full price of this *sirāšûtu* prebend, Zēriya and Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-mukîn-apli have received from the hands of Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši; they are paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one half in one day on days 16, 17, 18, 19 and one half in day 20, that *sirāšûtu* prebend, Zēriya and Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-mukîn-apli will clear it 12-fold (and) will give to Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši/EZ, forever. Zēriya and Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-mukîn-apli mutually guarantee for the clearing of claims of that *sirāšûtu* prebend, in perpetuity. One half in one day

on days 16, 17, 18, 19 and one half in day 20, a total of one half in one day, the *sirāšûtu* prebend in those days, belongs to Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši/EZ, in perpetuity.

When Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši wishes, he will enter in his name that *sirāšûtu* prebend in the wooden registry of prebends which is in the temple.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.5=773a: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu/Lâbâši//H

W2=B.e.2²=773g²: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ

W3=B.e.5=773a: Anu-ušallim/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA

W4=B.e.3=773b: [Anu-abu-ušur/]Mannu-iqabbu//K

W5=?=: Anu-ahu-iddin/...//LA

W6=?=: Anu-uballit/Anu-abu-ušur//...

W7=L.e.1²=lost²: Nanāya-iddin/Mukīn-apli//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni

W8: [...]/Anu-ahhe-iddin//LA

W9=L.e.4=773c: Lâbâši/[Anu-zêru-iddin?]/EZ

W10=L.e.2=773e: Anu-māru-ittannu/Nidinti-lštar, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

W11=?=: Anu-māru-ittannu/Mannu-ki-lštar, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

W12: ...//SLU

W13: ...//GA(?)

W14?: ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.3=773f: Anu-ahhē-iddin

W?=B.e.1=773h: Nidinti-Anu

W?=B.e.4=773d: Dannat-Bēlti

Scribe: ...//...//SLU. Uruk. Simānu, day 9, year ..., (Seleucus, the king).

Seller1=clearer1=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=773i: Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA

seller2=clearer2=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=773j: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA

Buyer: Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Commentary. The date of the tablet is partially lost. Combining the identity of the buyer of the prebend and the fact that the purchase price is paid in staters of Seleucus (either II or III), it is possible to safely assign the document to the years range SE 66-89.⁸³ This would fit in well with the period of activity of the two alphabetic scribes mentioned in Obv. 32 and 33: Anu-māru-ittannu/Nidinti-lštar and Anu-māru-ittannu/Mannu-ki-lštar. The first is in fact attested in Uruk in documents from SE 77 to 95 and the second from SE 72 to 93. The two sellers are identified in the contract as the sons of Anu-mukīn-apli; space on the first line, however, seems to allow for an extra onomastic element. Shall we expect a third brother, who did not act as clearer and co-guarantor, to have been mentioned there? Obv. 12, ud.18.kām: last two signs on the edge.

Witness list: the use of the column format for the WL in this tablet is noteworthy; the scribe in fact, contrary to the norm, has not used it to separate the three tiers (name/patronym/family) of the onomastic chain but only as a visual device, no connected at all to the representation of the different elements of the onomastic chain.

Note the following correspondences between locations of seal impressions in Mitchell, Searight 2008 and their actual position in the edges: T1-T5=B.e.1-5; R1=R.e.2; R2=R.e.1.

W1 identified on the basis of the possible identification of 773a with AUWE 19, no. 128.

W4: name reconstructed on the basis of the seal captions

W7: the seal of Nanāya-iddin/Mukīn-apli//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni is known from BRM 2 27 and recorded in Wallenfels 1994 as AUWE 19, no. 221.

W10=L.e.2=773e: the seal impression corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 246 (used also in YOS 20 36; YOS 20 37 and YOS 20 39).⁸⁴

Two of the seal impressions of **No. 64-RE** are captioned Nanāya-iddin; one is not identifiable; the other apparently does not correspond to AUWE 19, no. 221, so that we can expect that W7 sealed on the L.e. (and his seal is lost) and 773g corresponds to the seal of W2.

⁸³ See the commentary to **No. 62-P**, with bibliography, for more details on Anu-zêru-iddin's career. The date 19/-/ in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 239 must also be corrected.

⁸⁴ For the use of AUWE 19, no. 246 see Wallenfels 1994, p. 48.

No. 65-RE. Plate LXV

Museum no.: BM 109962 (1914-4-4, 28)

Size: 9.5×11.2×2.8² (M/L)

Format: type 1a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (lost: 66/89?), Seleucus (II/III); stators of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: (246-222?)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #649

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bītu epšu*, *kišubbū* and *tarbašu* in the Orchard quarter in Uruk; NSWE+NWSE

- Obv. ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1r}a-de-e-šú a ^{1k}ur-i ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú é-su ep-šú u ki-šub-ba-a-šú ki-tì ^{gis}kirj₆ mah šá *qé-reb* unug^{ki} 22 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da é ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1u}na-din é u ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-[su-e] u da *meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄* šá *tar-ba-aš* šá é mu.meš 22 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da sila *rap-šú*
- (5) *mu-taq* dingir.meš u lugal 14 5/6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da *mi-šil* kùš ina *a-ma-áš-tu₄* šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1u}na-din é mu.meš 14 kùš sag.<ki> ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da *mu-šu-ú* šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1u}na-din é u ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e *meš-hat šá-ni-tu₄* *tar-ba-aš* šá é mu.meš 22 kùš uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da *tar-ba-aš* šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e 22 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da *meš-hat* igi-tu₄ šá é u ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš
- (10) 6 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da 6 kùš uš.meš *a-na* 2 kùš sag.ki *tar-ba-aš* šá ^{1d}60-[en-šú]-nu 6 kuš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da *mu-šu-ú* šá ^{1d}60-[en-šú-nu] dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e pap 2-ta *meš-hat* šá é <u> ki-šub-ba-a.meš u *tar-ba-aš* mu.meš é u ki-šub-ba-a u *tar-ba-aš* mu.meš *i-ši* u *ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na* 1/3 ma.[na 1 g]ín kù.babbar *is-ta-tir-ra-nu* šá ^{1s}i-lu-ku *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú* *a-na* šám til.meš ^{1a}a-na ^{1su}-[^{mu}₁₂-ut]-^{1tu}₄-^d60 dumu šá ^{1k}i-din-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ^{1u}š.bar *a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tú it-ta-di[n]* kù.babbar a₄ 1/3 ma.na 1 ^{1g}ín šám é *ki-šub-ba* u *tar-ba-aš* mu.meš til.meš ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e [ina] šu-ii ^{1su}-mu₁₂-ut-[^{1tu}₄-^d60] ^{1d}60 [dumu šá ^{1k}i-din-^d60 *ma-hir e-ṭir* u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri*] [...]
- (20) [...]
[...]
[...]
^{1u}₄-mu *ša-a*-[^{1tu} ...] é *ki-šub-ba* u *tar-ba-aš*
[^{1t}ar-ba-aš mu.[meš] ^{1d}60-en-šú-[^{1nu} dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e ...]
[^{1k}i-din-^d60 dumu.meš šá ^{1a}ana-gal[¹?...]
- (25) [^{1a}-na ^{1su}-mu₁₂-ut-tu₄-^d60 [dumu šá ^{1k}i-din-^d60 *na-šu-ú* é *ki-šub-ba* u *tar-ba-aš*]
[mu].meš šá ^{1su}-mu₁₂-ut-tu₄-^d60 [dumu šá ^{1k}i-din-^d60 *a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tú* šu-ú]
[^{1u}m]u-kin₇, ^{1d}60-ik-šur u [...]
[u] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu.meš šá [...]
^{1d}60-šeš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}inanna²-[...]
- (30) a ^{1h}un-zu-ú ^{1d}60-mu²-giš² [...]
^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši a ^{1é}-[*kur-za-kir* ...]
^{1ri}-hat-^dinanna a ^{1é}-*kur*-[*za-kir* ...]
- (one blank line)
[^{1d}inanna-mu-kám ^{1u}]umbisag² [dumu šá ^{1d}60-su a ^{1k}ur-i unug^{ki} ...]
- L.e. [un]-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu [un-qa ^{1a}]-ba-ši [un-qa] ^{1du}-a [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
R.e. [un-qa] ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu [un-qa] ^{1d}60-mu-giš [un-qa] ^{1k}i-din-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1ri}-hat-^d60 [...]
B.e. un-qa [(traces)] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-q[a...]
U.e. ^{1un}-qa ^{1d}60-ik-šur [un-qa] ^{1a}ana-gal-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1li}-giš [un-qa] ^{1d}60-mu-giš

Dossier. Professions; no clan.

Translation. Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Arad-adēšu//K voluntarily sold to Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur, the weaver, for the full price of 1/3 of m and 1 š of silver, g.q. stators of Seleucus, his built house and his/its undeveloped plot in the Orchard district within Uruk: 22 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the seller of this house and undeveloped plot, and adjoining the second measurement of the courtyard of this house; 22 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the wide street passageway of the gods and the king; 14 5/6 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining one-half of the cubits in the dividing wall of Anu-bēlšunu, the seller of this house; 14 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the alley of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the seller of this house and undeveloped plot; second measurement, the courtyard of this house: 22 cubits, the upper long side, to the north adjoining the courtyard of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi; 22 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the preceding measurement of this house and undeveloped plot; 6 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the 6 cubits (of) long sides towards 2 cubits, short side, of the courtyard of Anu-bēlšunu; 6 cubits, lower short side,

to the east, adjoining the alley of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi; in total, the 2 measurements of these house and undeveloped plots and courtyard; these house and undeveloped plot and courtyard, as much as they are, all of them, in perpetuity. The silver: 1/3 of m and 1 š of silver, full price of this house, undeveloped plot and courtyard, Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi has received from the hands of Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu; it's paid. Should a claim ... forever. ... this house, undeveloped plot and courtyard Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi ... Kidin-Anu, sons of Ana-rabûti-... give to Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu. This house, undeveloped plot and courtyard belong to Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=649f: Anu-ikšur/...

W2=?=? : ...

W3=?=? : ...

W4=L.e.4=649b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/...

W5? : ...

W6? : ...

W7?= L.e.1=649a: Anu-ahu-iddin/Ištar-...

W8? : .../...//H

W9?=U.e.4=649i: Anu-šumu-līšir/...

W10? : .../Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ

W11? : .../...//....

W12? : .../Rihat-ištar//EZ

W13? : ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.2=649h: Lābāši

W?=L.e.3=649k: Mukīn-apli

W=?U.e.2=lost: Ana-rabûti-Anu

W?=U.e.3=649e: Līšir

Seller=clearer1=N-neighbour-I+II=W-neighbour-I+II=E-neighbour-I+II: Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Arad-adēšu//K

Buyer: Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur, the weaver

Clearer2=[...]/Ana-rabûti-x

Clearer3: Kidin-Anu/Ana-rabûti-x

N-neighbour: seller (house) + 2nd measurement of courtyard

S-neighbour: wide street passageway of the gods and the king

W-neighbour: seller (dividing wall)

E-neighbour: seller (alley)

N-neighbour-II: seller (courtyard)

S-neighbour-II: previous measurement

W-neighbour-II: seller (courtyard, short side)

E-neighbour-II: seller (alley)

Commentary. For the date of this document and its attribution to the hand of Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Anu-eriba//K (or his father), see Corò 2015 (publ. 2016), pp. 87-88.⁸⁵ As shown there, the tablet can also be connected *via* prosopography to **Nos. 74-RE//75-RE**, where the buyer, Kidin-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu, the *išparu*, is the son of the Sumuttu-Anu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur recorded here.

It is particularly interesting that we have no document from the BM collection concerning urban properties of any kinds, dated in the period between these two tablets; the next 10 tablets are in fact all prebend related contracts.

Obv. 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14 and 15 spilling onto the right edge.

Note the following correspondences between Mitchell, Searight 2008 and the actual position of seal impressions on the tablet's edge: L1=L.e.4; L2=L.e.3; L3=L.e.2; L4=L.e.1.

⁸⁵ Note that the data referred to in Corò 2015 (publ. 2016), p. 87, fn. 10 are now published in Monerie 2018, Annexe 4. Among the published tablets from Hellenistic Uruk Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Anu-eriba//K wrote BRM 2 21 (SE 75); BRM 2 24 (SE 82); YOS 20 40 (SE 82); BRM 2 26 (SE 85); VS 15 35 (SE 86); BRM 2 27 (SE 87); CM 12 3 (SE 87); RIAA² 298//300 (SE 96); BiMes 24 48 (SE 97); YOS 20 47 (SE 100)

No. 66-P. Plate LXVI

Museum no.: BM 116690 (1924-12-13, 4)
 Size: 8.9×10.5×3.0 (M)
 Format: type 3a, split?
 Place: Uruk
 Date SE: 90.l.x; Seleucus III; silver of Seleucus, g.q.
 Date BC: 222.04.09-22.05.08
 Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, p. 164
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #716
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ašipūtu* prebend

- (Obv.) ¹⁻^d[utu]-sur dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ¹60-du-a a ¹gal^{1-d}60 ina hu-ud l[ib-bi-šú ši-in-ze-ru-ú(?)]
¹⁻ re-bu-ú ina 60-'-ú ina se-bu-ú giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1d}maš.ma[aš-ú-tú igi]
^d60 an-tu₄ ^dinanna ^dgašan.edin ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá sag u dingir.meš é-[šú-nu gab-bi]
 [šá] iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš u mi[m-ma gab-bi]
 (5) [a-n]a 8 1/2 gín kù.babbar šá ¹se-lu-ku bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-'na' 'šám' [til.meš a-na]
^{1d}60]-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}60-gi ù ¹la-'ba-ši dumu šá ¹' [...] 'x' [...]
 [...]x-^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-'tú it-ta'-[din kù.babbar a₄ 8 gín šám giš.šub.ba mu.meš]
 [til.meš] ^{1d}utu'-sur' dumu šá ^{1d}60'-[din-su]-e ina šu-ii [^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}60-gi]
 (10) [ù ¹la-ba]-ši dumu šá [... m]a-hir e-'tir u₄-mu' [pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi giš.šub.ba mu.meš]
 [ši-in]-ze-r[u-ú(?)] ù [r]e-bu-ú ina 60-'-ú ina [se-bu-ú giš.šub.ba ^{1d}maš.maš-ú-tú mu.meš]
 [it]-'tab-šu-ú ^{1d}60'-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1d}dum-qi-^d60 'x'-[]
 ['x x x x' ú-mar-raq-ma' a-di 12-t[a.àm]
 [...] 'pu'-út giš.[š]u]b]b[a?]
 (approximately 4 ll. lost)
 (Rev.) (blank)
 [^{1d}mu-kin, (?)]
 [PN dumu šá ¹⁻^d60-en-šú-nu a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ù ¹⁻^d60-x-x' [...]
 [...] ¹šeš-'-ú -<tú>^{1d}60-ik-šur dumu šá ¹tat-tan-nu [...]
 [...] ¹⁻^d60-numun'-giš a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ¹60-šeš-mu dumu šá ¹⁻^d60'
 (5) [¹ é-kur-za-k]ir ¹ú-bar dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-ad-[...]]
 [¹⁻^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹ri-hat-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ¹im-bi-[^d60]
 [^{1d}60-š]eš.meš-mu dumu šá ¹ir-^dmaš ^{1d}se-pir níg.ga ^d60
 (blank)
 [¹]dumi'-qi-^d60 ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iš a ¹d30-ti-ér unug^{ki} ⁱⁱⁱbár
 [ká]m xmu.90.kám ¹se-lu-ku lugal
 L.e. [dum]-qi-^d60 ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iš a ¹] un-[qa] 'traces' [...]
 R.e. [] 'un-qa' [...] 'mu-ru(?)'-[...]]
 B.e. 'un-qa' [...]
 U.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu un-qa ^{1d}60-du-a un-qa ¹du-a un-qa ^{1d}60- [...]

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Šamaš-ētir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli//Rabi-Anu[?] voluntarily sold to Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ušallim and Lâbâši/...//x-Anu(?) one twelfth and one fourth in 1/60 in one seventh, his *ašipūtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly, throughout the year, the *g* and the *eš* days and whatever pertains to that prebend, which is with all his brothers and his co-owner, for 8 1/2 š of silver, g.q., of Seleucus, as the full price. The silver: 8 š, full price of that prebend, Šamaš-ētir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi received from the hands of Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ušallim and Lâbâši/...; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that *ašipūtu* prebend, one twelfth and one fourth in 1/60 in one seventh, Anu-ittannu/Dumqi-Anu ... will clear it; 12-fold ...

Witnesses:

- W1=??: .../Anu-bēlšunu/Ah
 W2=U.e.1=716a: Anu-bēlšunu/...//Ah
 W3=??: Anu-...//Ah
 W4=??: Anu-ikšur/Tattannu//...
 W5=??: .../Anu-zēru-lišir//Ah
 W6=??: Anu-aha-iddin/Anu-...//...
 W7=??: .../...-Anu//H
 W8=??: Rihat-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin//Imbi-Anu
 W9=??: Anu-ahhe-iddin/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Witnesses from the edges:
 W?=U.e.2=716b: Anu-mukīn-apli
 W?=U.e.3=blank: Mukīn-apli

Scribe: Dumqī-Anu/Anu-uballit//SLU. Uruk. Nisānu, day ..., year 90, Seleucus, the king.

Seller: Šamaš-ēṭir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli//Rabi-Anu?
 Clearer: Anu-ittannu/Dumqī-Anu
 Buyer: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ušallim and Lâbâši/...//...

Commentary. The tablet is dated to SE 90, representing the last attested date for the reign of Seleucus III, in Uruk.⁸⁶
 Obv. 1, 'gal'-^d60: the seller's clan name is probably misspelled: either he is a member of the Gimil-Anu clan and the ŠU sign lacks an horizontal wedge, or the scribe omitted an horizontal after the first part of the sign, and we have to read it as GAL (a MA sign would be unlikely). An individual named Šamaš-ēṭir/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli//Rabi-Anu is recorded in **Nos. 61-P//62-P** (SE 86), written by the same scribe as the present text: the identification seems therefore plausible and a reading Rabi-Anu for the clan name likely. Only a few examples of the clan name Rabi-Anu are available in the corpus from Uruk, all referring to this same individual.

⁸⁶ Corrects Del Monte 1997, p. 233. The tablet is referred to also in Monerie 2014, p. 164.

No. 67-P. Plate LXVII

Museum no.: BM 30120(1856-9-3, 1516)=Oppert 4

Size: 9.0×9.8×3.7 (M)

Place: Uruk

Format: type 2b, compact

Date: SE 90.IX.21, Antiochus III

Date BC: 222.XII.21 BC

Bibliography: Doty, CAHU, pp. 410-411; Oppert, M^{énant}, pp. 313-314. HANE/M 8, pp. 375-376. Loftus un-numbered

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #717.

Description (type of transaction): lease of *ērib bītūtu* and *gerseqqātu* prebends

Dossier. Kidin-Anu/Nidinti-Anu + women

Witnesses:

W1=??: Balātu/Tanitti-Anu//LA

W2=B.e.4=717c: Lâbâši/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah;

W3=??: Anu-zēru-iddin/Kidin-Anu//Ah

W4=??: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ

W5=B.e.1=: Rihat-Anu/Ištar-šumu-ēreš//Ah

W6=B.e.3=: Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA

W7=??: Balātu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ

W8=B.e.2/?: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-utēr//LA

W9=??: Anu-ittannu/Balātu//LA

W10=L.e.2/4=717e/lost: Šamaš-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//LA

W11=L.e.2/4=717e/lost: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA

W12=B.e.2/?: Nidinti-Anu/Bēlšunu//Ah

U.e.4=717d: [...]

U.e.2=717f: [...]

Scribe: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ

Lessor=R.e.1: Kidin-Anu/[...]

Lessee=R.e.2=717a: Kidin-Anu/Nidinti-Anu

Lessee2(?)=R.e.3=lost: 'Šanītu

Commentary. For the tablet and its context see the relevant bibliography, above. This is one of the tablet excavated by Loftus. The obverse of the tablet is completely lost. The reverse is badly damaged by water. Mitchell, Searight 2008, #717: labels L1-4 correspond on the tablet to R.e.4-1, respectively.

No. 68-P. Plate LXVIII

Museum no.: BM 105206 (1913-4-16, 38)//VDI 1955/4 7

Size: 8.9×10.2×3.2 (M)

Format: type 1a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 99.VIII.4, Antiochus III; stators of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 213.X.25

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #720

Description (type of transaction): sale of *nuhatimmūtu* prebend

- Obv. ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 dumu šá ¹ki-^odin-^d60 a ¹kur-i
ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú ši-iš-šú šá u₄-[mu ina u]d.14.kám giš.šub.b[a-š]ú
^{1d}muhaldim-ú-tú igi ^d60 *an-tu₄* ^d[pap.sukkal ^dinanna] ^dna-na-a ^dgašan [šá ^é]sag
 u dingir.meš ^é-šú-nu *gab-bi šá* iti-u[s-su ka] mu.an.na *gu-[uq-q]a-né-e*
 (5) *èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na [ši]-^oiš-šú šá u₄-mu ina ud.[14].^okám*
giš.šub.ba ^{1d}muhaldim-ú-tú mu.meš i[k-kaš-ši-du ma-la ha.la-šú]
šá ki šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú [gab-bi u ki ¹]na-na-mu
u ^{1d}60-din-i^o ^{1d}ma-hi-ra-nu.meš ^ogiš.šub.ba [mu.]meš dumu.meš šá
 (10) ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir [a-na 1]5 [gín kù.babbar *is-ta-tir*]-ra-n[u]
šá ¹an-ti-^oi-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-[tú] a-na ^ošám til.[meš]
^oa-na ^{1d}na-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-din-[i]t^o dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-[numun-mu]
dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-[n]a u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-[ta-din]
kù.babbar a₄ 15 gín šám giš.šub.ba ^omu^o.meš ^otil^o.meš ^{1d}60-[šeš-mu-nu]
dumu šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 ina šu-ii ^{1d}na-na-a-^omu u ^{1d}60-^odin-[i]t^o dumu[.meš šá]
 (15) ^{1d}60-^onumun-mu *ma-hir e-^otir u₄-^omu^o pa-qa-ri ana mu[h-hi]*
š[i-i]š-šú šá u₄-mu ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}muhaldim-ú-tú [mu.meš]
[it]-tab-šú-ú ^{1d}60-numun-mu šá mu-šú šá-nu-ú ¹dùg.ga-^d60 dumu-šú ^oú-^o[mar-raq-ma]
[a-di 12-ta.àm a-na] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-din-i^o ^odu[mu.meš šá]
 Rev. ^{1d}60-numun-mu a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú *ina-an-din pu-ut a-ha-meš]*
 (20) *[a-na mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba mu.meš ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ^{1d}na-din giš.šub.ba mu.meš]*
[dumu šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 u ^{1d}60-^onumun-mu dumu-šú a-na^o
^{1d}na]-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-din-i^o a-na u₄-mu ša-a-[tú na-šú-ú]
[ši-iš]-šú šá u₄-mu ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}muhaldim-ú-[tú mu.meš]
 (25) *[šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu u ^{1d}60-din-i^o dumu.meš šá ^{1d}60-numun-[mu dumu šá]*
[¹]a-ba-ši a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú [šú-ú]
^{1d}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ¹ina-qí-bít-^d60 a ¹šeš-^oú-^otú^o
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ¹la-ba-ši ^oa ¹šeš-^oú-^otú ^{1d}60-ik-šur^o
u ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 dumu.meš šá ¹tat-tan-nu u ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 [dumu šá]
¹la-ba-ši-^d60 a.meš ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá
 (30) ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a ¹kur-i ¹numun-ia dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a a ¹šú-^d[60]
^{1d}60-šeš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹ú-bar du[mu šá]
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú dumu šá ^{1d}na-[na-a-mu]
a ¹é.babbar-ra-mu-dù
^{1d}inanna-mu-kám ^{1d}umbisag dumu šá ^{1d}60-su a ¹kur-i unug^{ki} ^{iti}apin ud.[4].kám
mu.99.kám ¹an-ti-^oi-ku-su ^olugal^o
- L.e. [un-qa ^{1d}60]-šeš-mu [un]-qa ¹ú-bar un-qa ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu un-qa ¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú
 R.e. [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu [...]
 B.e. [un-qa ¹la-ba-ši-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-e]
 U.e. un-qa ¹numun-ia un-qa ^{1d}60-ik-šur un-[qa] ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandsons (NI/AZI/L/EZ and AU/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Kidînu-Anu//K voluntarily sold to Nanâya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ one sixth of a day on day 14, his *nuhatimmûtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Pap-sukkal, Ištar, Nanâya, Bêlet-ša-Rêš and all the gods of their temple, monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešû* offerings, and whatever pertains to one sixth of a day on day 14, that *nuhatimmûtu* prebend, all of his share which is with all his brothers and co-owners, and with Nanâya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ, the buyers of that prebend, for 15 š of silver, g.q. stators of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 15 š, full price of that prebend, Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu has received from the hands of Nanâya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one sixth of a day on day 14, that *nuhatimmûtu* prebend, Anu-zêru-iddin *alias* Tâb-Anu, his brother, will clear it and give 12-fold to Nanâya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin. Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu, the seller of that prebend, and Anu-zêru-iddin, his brother, mutually guarantee for the clearing of claims of one sixth of a day on day

14, that *nuhatimmūtu* prebend, to the advantage of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin. One sixth of a day on day 14, that *nuhatimmūtu* prebend, belongs to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.2=lost: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah

W2=L.e.3=720a: Anu-bēlšunu/Lâbâši/Ah

W3=U.e.2=lost: Anu-ikšur/Tattannu//EZ

W4=B.e.1=lost: Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

W5=U.e.3=720b: Nidinti-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu//EZ

W6=U.e.4=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//K

W7=U.e.1=720c: Zēriya/Anu-mukīn-apli//GA

W8=L.e.1=lost: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ

W9=L.e.2=lost: Ubar/Anu-ahhē-iddin//H

W10=L.e.4=720d: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nanāya-iddin//Ebabbara-šumu-ibni

Scribe: Ištar-šumu-ēreš/Anu-eṛba//K. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 4, year 99, Antiochus, the king

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=lost: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Kidin-Anu//K

Buyer1+Buyer2: Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Clearer=co-guarantor2: Anu-zēru-iddin *alias* Ṭāb-Anu, brother of the seller

Commentary. The tablet duplicates VDI 1955/4 no. 7 (see bibliography, above, for more details): mutual restorations between the two texts are thus possible. Thanks to the present tablet we come to know that the clearer from claims is not, as I suggested elsewhere, Anu-balāssu-iqbi but the seller's son, Anu-zēru-iddin, *alias* Ṭāb-Anu.⁸⁷ We have no evidence of Anu-zēru-iddin's other name elsewhere in the corpus.

The document belongs to the dossier of the Lâbâši family and features as buyers two of Lâbâši's grandsons, who are also attested in the BM collection in **Nos. 70-P, 76-P and 89-P**, where they act together (see also the commentary to **No. 76-P**, below).

Obv. 7. writing flows onto the R.e.

Excluding the mise-en-page, only two minor differences can be noted between **No. 68-P** and its duplicate: Anu-bēlšunu/Lâbâši//Ah, appears as W5 here, while he is recorded as W8 in the witness lists of VDI 1955/4 7.

The seals of the left edge of **No. 68-P** correspond to those on the B.e. of VDI 1955/4 7 and *vice versa*.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, #720 L1-4 correspond to L.e.4-1 on the tablet. The following identifications are possible:⁸⁸W7=U.e.1=720c=AUWE 19, no. 696G; W3=U.e.2=lost=AUWE19, no. 616U; W5=U.e.3=720b=AUWE 19, no. 872C; W6=U.e.4=lost=AUWE 19, no. 423; W4=B.e.1=lost=897C; W8=L.e.1=lost: AUWE 19, no. 534; W9=L.e.2=lost=AUWE 19, no. 397C. Seller=R.e.1=lost=AUWE 19, no. 586C.⁸⁹

⁸⁷ The name of Anu-balāssu-iqbi was integrated in HANE/M 8, p. 229 on the basis of the seal captions of the R.e.

⁸⁸ See Wallenfels, HBTIN, P342452.

⁸⁹ HBTIN 05876 typo for 0586.

No. 69-P. Plate LXIX

Museum no.: BM 105202 (1913-4-16, 34)

Size: 7.6×9.3×3.1 (S)

Place: Uruk

Format: type 4a, compact (slightly irregular)

Date SE: 96/99.x.x, Antiochus III; silver *qalû*

Date BC: 216-212

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #690

Description (type of transaction): sale of food prebend

- Obv. ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu *šá* ¹*ina-qí-bit*-^d60 a *šá* ^{1d}60-mu-giš a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
ina h[u-ud lib-bi-šú... giš.šub.]ba-šú ma-la ha.la-šú gab-bi
 [...] *èš.èš.meš a-na* ^{gis}*banšur šá an-tu*₄
 [...] *kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e*
 (5) [...] *gab-bi šá a-na* giš.šub.ba
 [...] *šá ki š* *èš.meš-šú ù en.meš ha.la.meš-šú*
 [...] x x (traces)] ¹*a-na* 6 gín kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú a-na šám til.meš*
¹*a-na* ¹*ni-din-tu*-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹*ana-gal*-^d60 a *šá* ¹60-numun-giš
 [a ¹*hun-zu-ú a-na u*₄-*mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din*
 (10) [kù.bab]bar a₄ 6 gín šám giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš
^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu *šá* ¹*ina-qí-bit*-^d60 *ina* šu-ii ¹*ni-din-tu*-^d60
¹*dumu šá* ¹*ana-gal*-^d60 *ma-hir e-ṭir u*₄-*mu pa-qa-ri*
 [a-na mu]h-hi giš.šub.ba mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú* ^{1d}60-šeš-[mu]
 [dumu-šú *ú*]-*mar-raq-ma a-di* 12-ta.àm a-na ¹*ni-din-tu*-^d60
 Rev. [a-na u₄-mu *ša*]-a-tú *i-nam-din pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu*
 [šá giš.šub.ba] mu.meš ^{1d}60-ad-gur ^{1d}*na-din-na-an* giš.šub.ba mu.meš
 [dumu *šá* ¹*ina-qí-bi*]-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šeš-mu dumu-šú a-na ¹*ni-din-tu*-^d60
 [a-na u₄-mu] *ša-a-tú na-šu-ú* giš.šub.ba mu.meš *šá* ¹*ni-din-tu*-^d60
 [dumu *šá* ¹*ana-gal*]-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹*hun-zu-ú a-na u*₄-*mu ša-a-tú šu-ú*
 (20) [^{1d}*mu-kin*], ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu *šá* ¹*man-nu-i-qa-pu* a ¹*kur-i*
¹*du-a dumu šá* ^{1d}60-numun-giš a ¹*šeš-ú-tú* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu dumu *šá* ^{1d}utu-mu-nu
 a ¹*hun-zu-ú* ¹*nu.téš* dumu *šá* ¹*gal*-^d60 a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
¹*bár*-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹*šeš-ú-tú*
 (25) ¹*il-lut*-^d60xxdumu *šá* ¹*šá*-^d60-*iš-šu-ú* a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
¹*nu.téš* dumu *šá* ¹*li-giš* a ¹*šu*-^d60 ^{1d}60-numun-giš dumu *šá* ^{1d}utu-mu-nu
 a ¹*šeš-ú-tú* ¹*nu.téš* dumu *šá* ¹*ba-la-ṭu* a *šá* ¹*ta-nit-tu*-^d60
 a ¹*lu-uš-tam-mar*-^diškur ¹*šá*-^d60-*iš-šu-ú* dumu *šá* ¹*ina-qí-bit*-^d60 a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
 [PN] ^{1d}umbisag dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹*é-kur-za-kir* unug^k[¹]
 [...mu.]^{93+x²90}.kám ¹*an-ti-i-ku-su* lugal
- L.e. [un-qa ¹šá]-^d60-[*iš-šu-ú un-qa* ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu]
 R.e. un-qa-^{1d}60-ad-gur ^{1d}*na-din-na-an* giš.šub.ba mu.meš un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu ^{1d}*mu-mar-ri-qa-an* ¹giš.šub. ¹[ba mu.meš]⁹¹
 B.e. [un-qa ¹nu].-¹téš-¹un-qa ¹du-a un-qa ¹nu.téš un-qa ¹il-lut-^d60
 U.e. [un-qa] ¹nu.téš [un-qa] ^{1d}60-ad-šeš [un-qa] ¹bár-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-¹numun-giš¹

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Anu-abu-utēr/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-šumu-līšir//H voluntarily sold to Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-zēru-līšir//H ... his prebend, all of his share, ... *eššešu* offerings for the altar of Antu ... throughout the year, the *g* ... whatever (pertains) to (that) prebend, ... (which is with) his brothers and his co-owners ..., for 6 š of pure silver, as the full price. The silver: 6 š, complete price of that prebend, Anu-abu-utēr/Ina-qibīt-Anu has received from the hands of Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that prebend, Anu-ahu-iddin, his son, will clear it and 12-fold will give to Nidinti-Anu, in perpetuity. Anu-abu-utēr/Ina-qibīt-Anu, the seller of this prebend, and Anu-ahu-iddin, his son, mutually guarantee the clearing from claims of that prebend to the

90 The first digit must be a 90 and not a 30, since no Antiochus alone is attested in years 30 to 39. The preserved part of the second digit allows for any possibility between 93 and 99.

91 Edge layout is as follows:

l. 1, left: caption + PN; right: caption + PN

l. 2, left: seal of the seller; right: seal of the clearer;

l. 3: left: role of the individual (seller); right: role of the individual (clearer).

advantage of Nidinti-Anu, forever.

That prebend belongs to Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-zêru-lîšir//H, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Mannu-iqabbu//K

W2=B.e.2=690c: Mukîn-apli/Anu-zêru-lîšir//Ah

W3=L.e.2=lost: Anu-māru-ittannu/Šamaš-ittannu//H

W4=B.e.3=690d/U.e.1=lost/B.e.1=lost: Lâbâši/Rabi-Anu//H

W5=U.e.3=lost: Kîdin-Anu/Anu-zêru-iddin//Ah

W6=B.e.4=690e: Illût-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//H

W7=B.e.3=690d/U.e.1=lost/B.e.1=lost: Lâbâši/Lîšir//GA

W8=U.e.4=690a: Anu-zêru-lîšir/Šamaš-ittannu//Ah

W9=B.e.3=690d/U.e.1=lost/B.e.1=lost: Lâbâši/Balâṭu//Tanittu-Anu//LA

W10=L.e.1=lost: Ša-Anu-iššû/Ina-qibîṭ-Anu//H

Scribe: .../Anu-bêlšunu//EZ. Uruk. ... year 93⁺, Antiochus, the king.

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=690b: Anu-abu-utêr/Ina-qibîṭ-Anu/Anu-šumu-lîšir//H

Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-zêru-lîšir//H

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=690f: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-abu-utêr/Ina-qibîṭ-Anu/Anu-šumu-lîšir//H (buyer's son)

Commentary. The date of the tablet is partially broken. The year number in the date formula is only partially preserved. A 90 is visible on the tablet, while only the upper part of the last digit is preserved: this might be read as a 6 or a 9, thus making year 96 or 99 of Antiochus (III) both possible.⁹²

The tablet exhibits a peculiar format; while it is a type 4 format, the blanks that separate the WL from the end of the contract and the date formula from the WL are very small; moreover, an anomalous use of blanks in the WL can be noted: in Rev. 22-24 they separate the clan name from the patronym (but they are not aligned to form a column); in Rev. 24 a second smaller blank separates the name and the patronym of W6.

Two scribes, both sons of Anu-bêlšunu//EZ, are active in Uruk in this period, namely Nidinti-Anu and Anu-ahhê-iddin: they are both possible candidates as scribes of this tablet, too. Nidinti-Anu is the scribe of RIAA² 294 and VS 15 18: in both documents he shows a preference for the use of the logogram A to indicate the three levels of filiation in the onomastic chain of the individuals mentioned in the contracts; conversely, Anu-ahhê-iddin alternates between DUMU and A in TCL 13 242, in CM 12 5, as is the case in **No. 69-P** (Oppert 4 is too damaged to judge). It is thus plausible that Anu-ahhê-iddin is the scribe of our tablet too.⁹³

Obv. 3, 6, 7: writing spills on the R.e.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, #690 T1 corresponds to U.e.4 on the tablet.

92 Both Mitchell's proposal (Mitchell 2008, p. 211) and my own (HANE/M 8, p. 440) must therefore be corrected.

93 It must be noted also that TCL 13 242 exhibits at least one example of use of an anomalous blank in the WL, that would be tempting to attribute to Anu-ahhê-iddin's hand.

No. 70-P. Plate LXX

Museum no.: BM 109973 (1914-4-4, 39)

Size: 8.2×9.5×2.9 (S)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 101.x.x; Antiochus III, (silver missing)

Date BC: 211/210.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #721

Description (type of transaction): sale of multiple prebends: *ērib bitūtu* of Enlil+?

Obv.	[...]	] ina 18-'ú
	[...]	giš.šub.ba-šú ¹⁰ k]u ₄ é- ú-tú
	[...]	] é-šú-nu 'gab'-bi
	[...]	] ud.17-k[ám x x]'-
(5)	[...]	giš.šub.ba] ¹⁰ ku ₄ 'é'-[ú]-tú
	[...]	^d am]ar.utu ^d na-[na]-a
	[...]	] šá iti-us-[s]u
	[...]	] ù mim-ma
	[...]	ik-kaš-ši]-du šá ki [...]
(10)	[...]	] 'ù' ki ¹⁰ na-na-[a]-mu
	[...]	giš.šub.ba].meš mu.'meš'
	[...]	] is-ta-tir-'ra'-[nu]
	[...]	š]ám til.meš
	[...]	¹⁰]60-numun-mu
(15)	[...]	i]t-ta-din kù.babbar a ₄
	[...]	] 'ina šu-ii(?)' ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu
(Rev)	[u ¹⁰ 60-din]-iṭ ma-hir e-ṭir u ₄ -mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi giš.šub.ba.meš	
	[mu.meš] it-tab-šu-ú ¹⁰ utu-mu-nu šeš-šú dumu šá 'ba-la-ṭu a šá ¹⁰ utu-mu-nu	
	[a 'lu]-uš-tam-mar- ^d iškur ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm	
(20)	[a-n]a ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu u ¹⁰ 60-din-iṭ a-na u ₄ -mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din	
	[pu]-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš	
	[...]mu-nu u ¹⁰ utu-mu-nu dumu.meš šá 'ba-'la-ṭu' a-na ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu	
	[u] ¹⁰ 60-din-iṭ a-na u ₄ -mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš	
(25)	[šá] ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu u ¹⁰ 60-din-iṭ dumu.meš 'šá' ¹⁰ 60-numun-mu a šá 'nu.téš	
	'a' ¹⁰ é-kur-za-kir a-na u ₄ -mu ša-a-tú šu-ú-nu	
	[¹⁰]mu-kin ₇ ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu u ¹⁰ 60-du-a dumu.meš šá ¹⁰ 60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹⁰ šeš-['-ú-tú]	
	[...]su' dumu šá ¹⁰ 60-du-a a ¹⁰ é-kur-za-kir ¹⁰ 60-ad-šeš dumu šá 'ina-qí-bit- ^d 60 [...]	
	[a 'še]š-'ú-tú ¹⁰ 60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu a ¹⁰ šeš-'-ú'-[tú]	
	[¹⁰ 60-še]š-mu-nu dumu šá 'ana-gal- ^d 60 a 'kur-i 'su-mut-tu ₄ - ^d 60 dumu šá ¹⁰ na- [...]	
(30)	[...]' ¹⁰ dum-qí- ^d 60 dumu šá 'tat-tan-nu a 'hun-zu-ú ¹⁰ 60-dumu-m[u-nu] '	
	[...] 'ad'-gur' a 'lu-uš-tam-mar- ^d iškur ¹⁰ 60-en-šú-nu dumu šá 'ni-din- [...]	
	[a ¹⁰ 30-ti]-ér 'šá- ^d 60-iš-šu-ú dumu šá ¹⁰ na-na-a-mu a ¹⁰ é.babbar-[ra-mu-dù]	
	[¹⁰ 60-šeš.meš-mu(?) du]mu [šá] 'ir- ^d maš ¹⁰ kuš.sar níg.ga ^d 60	
(blank)		
	[... ¹⁰]jumbisag dumu šá ¹⁰ 60-en-šú-nu a ¹⁰ é-kur-za-kir unug[^{ki}]	
(35)	[¹⁰ ix ud.x.kám mu].' ¹⁰ 1.kám 'an-ti-'-i-ku-su lugal'	
L.e.	[...] '1' [...] [...] 'd ^{na} '- [...]	
R.e.	[un]-qa ¹⁰ utu-mu-nu / [¹⁰ na-din-n]a 'giš.šub'.ba.[meš] mu.meš u ¹⁰ mu-mar-ri-qa-an giš.šub.ba.meš ⁹⁴ mu.meš	
B.e.	[u]n-qa [¹⁰ 60]-ad-šeš un-qa ¹⁰ 60-šeš.meš-mu un-qa 'ki-din- ^d 60 un-qa 'su-mut-tu ₄ - ^d 60	
U.e.	[¹⁰ dum]-'qí'- ^d 60 un [qa] '1' [...] [...]	

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandsons (NI/AZI/L/EZ and AU/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. ...-ittannu/Balâṭu/Šamaš-ittannu//LA (voluntarily) sold (to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ) ... in 1/18 ... his *ērib bitūtu* prebend ... (and all the gods of) their temple, ... day 17 ... *ērib bitūtu* (prebend before Enlil?) Marduk, Nanāya, ..., monthly (throughout the year) ... and whatever pertains ..., which is with ... and with Nanāya-iddin ... those prebends ... stators ... full price The silver ..., ...-ittannu/Balâṭu received from the hands of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ; he is paid. Should a

94 meš written on top of ba. mu.meš added beneath on a second row.

claim arise with regard to those prebends, Šamaš-ittannu/Balātu/Šamaš-ittannu//LA, his brother, will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ, forever. ...-ittannu and Šamaš-ittannu/Balātu mutually guarantee the clearing from claims of that prebend, to the advantage of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ, in perpetuity. Those prebends belong to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W2=??: Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W3=B.e.3=721a: Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ

W4=B.e.1=721c: Anu-abu-ušur/Ina-qibīt-Anu/...//Ah

W5=B.e.2=: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//Ah

W6=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu//K

W7=B.e.4=721b: Sumuttu-Anu/Na...//...

W8=U.e.1: Dumqi-Anu/Tattannu//H

W9=??: Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-abu-utēr(?)//LA

W10=??: Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti?-...//SLU

W11=??: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nanāya-iddin/Ebabbara-šumu-ibni

W12=??: Anu-ahhē-iddin(?)/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.3=721d

Scribe: .../Anu-bēlšunu//EZ. Uruk. ... year 101, Antiochus, the king.

Seller=co-guarantor1: ...-ittannu/Balātu/Šamaš-ittannu//LA

Buyer1+buyer2: Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Clearer=co-guarantor2: Šamaš-ittannu/Balātu/Šamaš-ittannu//LA (seller's brother)

Commentary. Again a contract featuring the two grandsons of Lâbâši, i.e. Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ (see also **Nos. 68-P, 76-P, 84-P** and **89-P**).

Marduk and Nanāya appear next to each other only in lists beginning with Enlil: we can therefore surmise that the temple-enterer's service is here performed in front of Enlil.

Rev. 25: *šú-ú-nu*; usually written *šú-nu*. The same spelling appears in VS 15 19 (109 SE; scribe: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ); YOS 20 50 (109 SE, scribe: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//[EZ]); OECT 9 45 (111 SE; scribe: [Anu-ahhē]-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ) and BiMes 24 9 (date and scribe lost). It seems therefore plausible that the variant is due to scribal hand and that we are here dealing with a peculiarity of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ, whose name may be integrated in the lacuna.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 223 suggested date to SE 101 SE is confirmed.

The name of the alphabetic scribe is tentatively reconstructed on the basis of the witness list of **No. 66-P**. Also a Nidinti-Ištar/Arad-Ninurta is known in Uruk but the documents where he appears are earlier.

The seal impression of 721c is labelled B2 in Mitchell, Searight 2008; note that the impression is actually on B.e.1 (B.e.2 is illegible).

R.e.: the scribe did not properly calculate the available space on the R.e. of the tablet.

No. 71-P. Plate LXXI

Museum no.: BM 109943 (1914-4-4, 9)

Size: 11.4×12.5×3.2 (L)

Format: type 2a, compact?

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 106[?].VI.13, Antiochus III and Antiochus, silver *qalû*, staters of (Antiochus), g.q.Date BC: 206[?].IX.19

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #674

Description (type of transaction): sale of multi-prebend group

- Obv. [...]-en u₄-mu ina ud.6.kám
 [...] u₄-mu ina ud.16.kám
 [...]-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu
 [...] 1-en u₄-mu
 (5) [...] 1-en u₄-mu
 [... ga]b-bi
 [... u]d.15.[kám]
 [...] ù ina ud.26.kám ù
 (10) [... u₄-m]u ina 1-en u₄-m[u] ina [ud.x.kám giš.šub.ba]-šú¹⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú igi^den-líl^dé-a^d30
 [... ^dgaš]an šá^dé-sag ù dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.19.kám ud.20.kám mim-ma
 [...]u-mu₄ ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba-šú¹⁰muhaldim-ú-tú 2 ha-an-zu šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu
 [... r]u-ú šá ud.28.kám giš.šub.ba-šú¹⁰gir.lá-ú-tú ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄-mu šá šal-šú ina 60'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu
 [... ši-in-z]e-ru-ú šá ud.28.kám giš.šub.ba-šú¹⁰gir.sig-ú-tú giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš igi^d60 an-tu₄^den-líl
 [...]^dna-[na]-a^dgašan šá^dé-sag ù dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi ši-iš-šú šá u₄-mu
 (15) [...] x^dgašan kur é šá ki é.an.na *te-pu-ú* igi^dgašan kur ù dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi
 [...]¹ 2]8.kám giš.šub.ba-šu šá ina⁶is-kiri₆ hal-lat ina é.du₆.sag.gara₁₀ é^dgašan.edin igi^dgašan.edin
 [...] kal mu.an.na *gu-uq-qa-né-e* ud.èš.èš.meš ù mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na
 [...]š]eš.meš-šú ù en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi a-na 2 ma.<na> kù.babbar qa-lu-ú
 [is-ta-ti-ra-nu šá 'an-ti-'i-ku-s]u bab-ba-nu-tu a-na šám til.meš a-na^rgašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá¹⁰60-ad-šeš
 (20) [a šá 'nig.sum.mu-^d60 dam^{1d}]60'-din-it a šá^{1d}60]-numun-mu^r [a 'é-kur-za-kir a-na] u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din
 [kù.babbar a₄ 2 ma.na šám giš.šub.ba.meš mu].meš^rtil[?]meš^r [...]₄xx šá¹gašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá^{1d}60-ad-šeš ...
 [...]-x-ú^{1d}60-dumu-mu^r-nu
 Rev. [...]¹gašan-su-nu dam
 [... ud.x].kám ud.7.kám ud.8.kám ud.9.kám ù
 (25) [... -š]ú^r u₄-mu ina ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám
 [...] ù šal-šú ina 60'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu
 [...]-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ù šal-šú ina 30'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu
 traces undetermined nr of signs^r ud.30.kám giš.šub.ba¹⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú igi dingir mu.meš
 [...] ù šal-šú ina 30'-ú šá¹ 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.1.kám ud.2.kám ud.3.kám ud.4.kám ù
 (30) [...] 1-en u₄-mu ù šal-šú ina 30'-ú šá¹ 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.<kám> ù
 [...]¹⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú šá dingir.meš é mu.meš ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.19.kám ud.20.kám ù
 [...]¹⁰muhaldim-ú-tú mu.meš 2 ha-an-zu šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.2.kám ud.4.kám ud.20.kám ud.24.kám ù
 [...]¹⁰gir.lá-ú-tú mu.meš ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄-mu šá šal-šú ina 60'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ma-<la> lib-ú ina 1-en u₄-mu
 [...] x ud.28.kám giš.šub.ba¹⁰gir.sig-ú-tú mu.meš ši-iš-šú šá u₄-mu ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba
 (35) [...]^dgašan kur mu.meš ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.7.kám ù ud.8.kám giš.šub.ba
 [šá ina⁶is-kiri₆ hal-lat ina] 'é.du₆.sag.gara₁₀ é^dgašan.edin mu.meš šá¹gašan-su-nu dumu.munus šá^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá
 'nig.sum.mu-^d60
 [dam] ^{1d}60-din-it a šá^{1d}60-numun-mu a 'é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
 [¹⁰mu-kin, ... a] šá^{1d}60-du-a a 'é-kur-za-kir^{1d}60-din-su a šá^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir
 [...] 'šá¹ ba-as'-si-ia a 'é-kur-za-kir^{1d}60-din-'su'-e a šá¹la-ba-ši a 'é-kur-za-kir
 (40) [...] a šá^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá¹ri-hat-^d60 a 'lu-uš-'tam'-mar-^diškur 'bár-^d60 a šá¹ir-^dmaš
 [...]-^d60 'ki.kal-^dgašan [a] šá^{1d}na-na-a-mu ù^{1d}60-ik-šur a šá¹bár-^d60 a.meš 'lu-uš-'tam-mar-^diškur
 [...]-mu-nu a šá¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá¹nig.sum.mu-^dinanna a 'kur-i 'šeš-šú-^d60 a šá¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60
 [...]-^d60 ù^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá¹nig.sum.mu-^d60 a šá¹il-lut-^d60 a.meš 'hun-zu-ú
 ['nig.sum.m]u-^d60¹⁰umbisag šá^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki}kin.kám ud.13.kám
 (45) [mu.10]6[?].kám 'an-ti-'i-ku-su u 'an-ti-'i-ku-su lugal.meš
- L.e (lost)
 R.e un-qa 'nig.sum.mu-^d60¹⁰na-din-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš un-qa^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu¹⁰mu-mar-raq-an-na
 B.e (lost)
 U.e 'un-qa' [...] 'un-qa' [...] 'un-qa' [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši-Bēlessunu (wife of AU/AZI//EZ)

Translation. Nidinti-Anu ... sold to 'Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu., the wife of Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ ... one day, in day 6 ... day, in day 16 ... day 10 ... xth of one day ... day 24 ... one day ... *ērib bitūtu* ... all ... one third in ... day 15 ... 1/10 ... and in day 26 and ... (of) a day, in one day, in days ... his *ērib bitūtu* prebend before Enlil, Ea, Sin ... Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, one sixth of one day, in days 19, 20, whatever ... day, in those days, his *nuhatimmūtu* prebend 2 fifths of one day, in one day, ... (one twel)th(?) of day 28, his *ṭābihūtu* prebend, one sixth of one day of one third in 1/60 of one day ... one twelfth of day 28, this *ṭābihūtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Enlil ... Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, one sixth of a day.. Bēlet-māti, the temple which is adjoined to Eanna, before Bēlet-māti, and the all the gods of their temple ... (day) 28, his prebend in the *hallatu* garden, in the Edusaggara, the temple of Bēlet-šēri, before Bēlet-šēri ... throughout the year, the *guqqū* offerings, the *eššešu* days, and whatever (pertains) to ... (which is with) his brothers and all of his co-owners, for 2 m of pure silver, g.q. (stater of Antiochus), as the full price, in perpetuity. The silver, 1 m, full price of those prebends, ... 'Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur ... Anu-māru-ittannu ... 'Bēlessunu, the wife ... day 7, 8, 9 and ... of day, on days 16, 17, 18 ... one third in 1/60 of one day, in one day, ... of one day and one third in 1/30 of one day ... day 30, *ērib bitūtu* prebend before this god(?), ... one third in 1/30 of one day, in one day, on days 1, 2, 3, 4 and ... one day and one third in 1/30 of one day in one day on days 16, 17, 18 and ... *ērib bitūtu* prebend of the gods of this temple, one sixth of one day, in one day, on days 19, 20 and ... *nuhatimmūtu* prebend, 2 fifths of one day, in one day, on days 2, 4, 20, 24 and ... this *ṭābihūtu* prebend, one sixth of one day of one third in 1/60 of one day, as much as there is one day ... day 28, this *ṭābihūtu* prebend, one sixth of a day in day 14, this prebend ... Bēlet-māti, one sixth of one day in one day on days 7 and 8, this prebend in the *hallatu* garden, in the Edusaggara, the temple of Bēlet-šēri, belong to 'Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu, wife of Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=?=? : .../Anu-mukīn-apli/EZ

W2=?=? : Anu-uballissu/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ

W3=?=? : .../Bassiya//EZ

W4=?=? : Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Lâbâši//EZ

W5=?=? : .../Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu//LA

W6=?=? : Kidin-Anu/Arad-Ninurta/...-Anu//LA

W7=?=? : Dannat-Bēlti/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W8=?=? : Anu-ikšur/Kidin-Anu//LA

W9=?=? : ...-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Ištar//K

W10=?=? : Ušuršu-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/...-Anu//H

W11=?=? : Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Ilū-ut-Anu//H

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ. Uruk. Ulūlu, day 13, year x+3, Antiochus and Antiochus, the kings.

Seller=clearer(?)=R.e.1=674a: Nidinti-Anu/[...]

Buyer: 'Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu W Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Clearer=co-guarantor(?)=R.e.2=674b: Anu-māru-ittannu/[...]

Commentary. The text records Bēlessunu as a buyer, so that the tablet can be dated to SE 106-119 approximately, during the co-regency of Antiochus III and Antiochus:⁹⁵ the dossier concerning the activities of Bēlessunu has been extensively discussed elsewhere: see HANE/M 8, pp. 99-100 and Corò 2005b, pp. 85-86.

Monerie suggests that the tablet is the duplicate of **No. 85-P**; although the two texts are very similar, they are not duplicates.

Obv. 16: *é.du₆.sag.gara₁₀*, for the ceremonial name of the temple of Bēlet-šēri, see George 1993, p. 78, no. 192. The Edusaggara is referred to as the temple of Bēlet-šēri also in TCL 13 244: 3.

Obv. 1-4, 8 and 10: writing spilling onto the edge.

Obv. 19, *bab-ba-nu-tu*: instead of the more usual *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú*.

The tablet is almost square and has a peculiar L size, clearly connected to its extraordinarily long content. See above, § 2.1.1

95 See Walker, in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 312, sub 674.

No. 72-P. Plate LXXII

Museum no.: BM 109970//105208 (1914-4-4, 36)

Size: 8.6×11.1×2.4 (M)

Format: type 1a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date: 106.VIII.12, Antiochus III and Antiochus, (...) staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 206.XI.16

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #722

Description (type of transaction): sale of *tābihūtu* prebend

- (Obv.) ^{1d}60-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-gi a šá ^{1'}[bár-^d60 a] ^{1'}[lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú]
 '9'-ú šá ¹u₄-[mu ù 90-'ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.15.kám ù ud.16.kám sa-ma-nu-ú]
 [šá] ¹'-en u₄-mu' [ù šal-šú ina 30-'ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú]
 [igi ^d60] an-tu₄ [^den-líl ^dé-a ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan edin? ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá ^dsag(?)
- (5) [ù] 'dingir.meš' [é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš]
 ù mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki]
^{1d}šeš.meš-šú ù ^{1d}'[en].meš ha'.[la-meš-šú gab-bi a-na 1/3 ma.na 1/2 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú]
 is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá 'an-ti-'-i-ku-[su bab-ba-nu-tu a-na šám til.meš]
 a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá 'in[a-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú]
 it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 1/3 ma.na '1/2' gín 'šám giš'.[šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš til.meš]
- (10) ^{1d}60-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-gi ina šu-ii ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 'a šá ^{1'}[60]-'šeš'-mu ma-hir
 e-ṭir u₄-mu' pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi sa-ma-nu-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ù šal-šú ina 30-'ú šá 1-en u₄-m[u]
 ina ud.15.kám ù ud.16.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú 'ana-'gal-^d[60]
 a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ú-mar-'raq-ma' a-di 12-ta.à[m]
 a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá ^{1'}ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú '[a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú]
 i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-'qu' [šá giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš]
- (15) ^{1d}60-mu-nu ^{1d}na-din-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš a šá ^{1d}60-gi ù ¹ana-gal-^d60 a šá
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš'-mu a-na u₄-mu
 ša-a-tú na-šu-ú sa-ma-nu-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu 'ù' [šal-šú ina 3]0-'ú šá 1-en u₄-mu
 ina ud.15.kám ù ud.16.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-[tú m]'u.meš' šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60
 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú a-na 'u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-[ú]
^{1d}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a 'šeš'-[ú-tú 'š]i]b-qát-^d60
 a šá 'kar-^d60 a 'é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá ^{1d}60-din-i[ṭ a] ^{1'}kur-i
^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá 'ri-hat-^dinanna a 'é-kur-za-kir 'bár-^d60 a šá '[^d60]-šeš-gál-ši
 a 'é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-numun-giš a šá 'mu-a a 'šeš'-ú-tú ^{1'}[60]-ad-šeš
 a šá 'kar-^d60 a 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur 'ri-hat-^dinanna a šá 'dum-q[ⁱ-^d60]0 'a'
 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur 'ki.kal-^dgašan a šá 'na-na-a-mu a 'lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 'ana-gal-ka-^d60 xxxx a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 xxx a šá ^{1d}60-sik-ka₄-tu₄-gur
 'níg.sum.mu-^d60 ^{1d}umbisag a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir unu^{ki}it^a[pin?]
 (30) ud.12.kám mu.106.kám 'an-ti-'-i-ku-su u 'an-ti-'-i-ku-[su lugal.meš]
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-giš un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-šeš'
 R.e. [u]n-qa ^{1d}60-mu-nu [^{1d}na-din-na giš.šub.ba] 'mu.meš' un-qa ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{1d}mu-m[ar-raq-an-na]
 B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu un-qa [^{1d}n]a-na-a-mu 'un-[qa] 'bár-^d60 [un-qa] ¹ana-gal-ka-^d60
 U.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu un-qa 'ri-hat-^dinanna un-qa 'šib-qat-^d60' un-[qa] ^{1'}[ki.kal-^dgašan]

Fragments apparently not belonging with this tablet but registered with it:

Frg. 1

- 1' traces
 2' [...] lu-uš-tam-mar-[^diškur...]
 3' 'x x x'

Frg. 2 belonging to the first line of reverse; in photo is the one to the very left. Only the side visible (not the written part) which clearly reads:

- 1' [...u] d. '14'. kám

Frg. 3 in the picture is the one to the very right. In the photograph writing is not visible. Belongs to the last line of the obverse of a tablet.

- 1' [...]x-ú-tú
 2 ... ša-a-t[ú] ...

Fig. 4 possibly part of a caption? central one on top, in the picture.

1' [ʰ6]0-numun?-m[u?]

Fig. 5 caption of lower edge last and first line of reverse? (in the picture just on top of the big one)

1' (edge?) [...]gal?-[...]

2' (Rev. l. 1): [...] ʿmu.meš`(?)

Fig. 6 caption of lower edge last and first line of reverse? (writing not visible; fragmentary reversed on the picture, second line from top, first to the left)

ʿtraces of 3 signs approx..ʿ

[...]ʰ60-numun-mu(?)ʿ

Fig. 7

ʿina`-qí-bit-^d[...] (not included in the picture)

Fig. 8

ʿšeš?ʿ

Fig. 9

unreadable traces for 2 signs

Fig. 10 belonging to a tabulated witness list; it is the second column that is preserved

[...] x-x-^d60

ʿa` [...]

[...-a]d-šeš

ʿa ʰ [...]

[...] ni-din-t[u₄ ...]

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Anu-ittannu/Anu-ušallim/Kidin-Anu//LA voluntarily sold to Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H 1/9 of day and 1/90 of day on days 15 and 16, a total of one-eighth of one day and one-third in 1/30 of one day, on those days, his *tābihūtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Enlil, Ea, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, monthly, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqū* offerings, the *eššešu* days, and whatever pertains to that *tābihūtu* prebend, which is with his brothers and all his co-owners, for the full price of 1/3 m 1/2 š of pure silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, in perpetuity. The silver, 1/3 m 1/2 š, full price of that *tābihūtu* prebend, Anu-ittannu/Anu-ušallim received from the hands of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one-eighth of one day and one-third in 1/30 of one day on days 15 and 16, that *tābihūtu* prebend, Ana-rabūti/Anu-bēlšunu//LA will clear it and will give 12-fold to Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H, forever. Anu-ittannu/Anu-ušallim, the seller of that prebend and Ana-rabūti/Anu-bēlšunu mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of that *tābihūtu* prebend, in perpetuity, to the advantage of Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin. One-eighth of one day and one-third in 1/30 of one day on days 15 and 16, that *tābihūtu* prebend, belongs to Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.2=722b: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W2=U.e.3=722c: Šibqat-Anu/Mušēzib-Anu//EZ

W3=U.e.1=722a/B.e.1: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit//K

W4=U.e.1/B.e.1: Anu-ahu-iddin/Rihat-Ištar//EZ

W5=B.e.3=lost: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ

W6=L.e.1=722g: Anu-zēru-līšir/Nadinā//Ah

W7=L.e.2=722f: Anu-abu-ušur/Mušēzib-Anu//LA

W8=U.e.2=722e: Rihat-Ištar/Dumqi-Anu//LA

W9=U.e.4=lost: Dannat-Bēlti/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W10=B.e.4=lost: Ana-rabūtika-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-siqqatu-uṭēr(?)

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 12, year 106 Antiochus and Antiochus, the kings.

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=lost: Anu-ittannu/Anu-ušallim/Kidin-Anu//LA

Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=lost: Ana-rabūti/Anu-bēlšunu//LA

Commentary. Obv. 8, spelling *bab-ba-nu-tu* reconstructed on the basis of the duplicate. A number of documents, including **No. 73-P** and **No. 71-P**, record the same variant. Apparently this is a typical feature of two scribes: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ who operates

in Uruk during the co-regency of Antiochus III and his son Antiochus and Mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu//EZ, his son, who is active as a scribe shortly after Nidinti-Anu.⁹⁶

R.e., ^{li}*mu*-[*mar-raq-an-na*]: despite the many variant spellings of this word known in the contracts, all the documents written by Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ use this form, which can therefore be safely restored here. The same spelling is used in the duplicate.

WL: note that the scribe tabulates in the same way the last line of the WL in the two documents, using blanks to create columns. The papponym of Ana-rabûtika-Anu is otherwise unattested.

⁹⁶ See e.g. BRM 2 30 (SE 109) CM 12 4 (SE 109); YOS 20 49 (106 SE); YOS 20 58, YOS 20 59, **No. 82-P** (all three date lost), and **No. 71-P** (SE 106?) all by the hand of Nidinti-Anu; BRM 2 33 (SE 124 SE); BRM 2 36 (SE 131); BiMes 24 22 (SE 131); TCL 13 244; (SE 132) and YOS 20 65 (SE 128; only clan name for the scribe preserved, but it's highly likely that the date allows for ascribing this document to Mukīn-apli).

No. 73-P. Plate LXXIII

Museum no.: BM 105208(1913-4-16, 40)//109970

Size: 8.6×10.2×3.0 (M)

Place: Uruk

Format: type 1a, compact

Date SE: (106.VIII.12)

Date BC: (206.XI.16)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #683

Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

- Obv. [1^d60-mu-nu a šá 1^d60-gi a šá 1^bár-60 a 1^lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ina hu-ud l[ib-bi-šú]
[sa-ma-nu-ú šá] u₄-mu ù 90'-ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.15.kám ù ud.16.kám sa-[ma-nu-ú]
[šá 1-en] u₄-mu ù šal-šú ina 30'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba-šú 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú
(5) igi ^d60 ^dan-tu₄ ^den-líl ^dé-a ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan edin ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá ^dsag
'ù' dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki
1^lšeš.meš-šú ù 1^len.meš ha.la-meš-šú gab-bi a-na 1/3 ma.na 1/2 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú
is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá 1^{an}-ti-'-i-ku'-su bab-ba-nu-tu a-na šám til.meš
(10) a-na 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá 1^d60-šeš-mu a šá 1^{ina}-qí-bit-^d60 a 1^{hun}-zu-ú
a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 1/3 ma.na 1/2' gín šám giš.šub.ba 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú
mu.meš til.meš 1^d60-mu-nu a šá 1^d60-gi ina šu-ii 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá 1⁶⁰-šeš-mu
[m]a-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu' pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi sa-ma-nu-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ù
šal-šú ina 30'-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.15.kám ù ud.16.kám giš.šub.ba 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú
(15) [mu.meš] it-tab-šu-ú 1^{ana}-gal-^d60 a šá 1^d60-en-šú-nu a 1^lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
[ú-mar-raq]-ma a-di 12-ta' àm a-na 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá 1^d60-šeš-mu a šá
1^{ina}-qí-bit-^d60 a 1^{hun}-zu-ú a-na u₄-m]u ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ú-t a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ur-ru-qu
Rev. [šá giš.šub].ba 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš 1^d60-mu-nu 1^{na}-din-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš a šá 1^d60-gi
(20) [ù 1^{ana}-gal-^d60 a šá 1^d60-en-šú-nu a-na 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá 1^d60-šeš-mu a-na u₄-mu]
[šal-'a-tú na-šu-ú sa-ma-nu-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ù šal-šú ina 30'-ú [šá 1-en u₄-mu]
[ina ud]. 1'5.kám ù ud.16.kám giš.šub.ba 1^lgír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš šá 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60
[a] šá 1^d60-šeš-mu a šá 1^{ina}-qí-bit-^d60 a 1^{hun}-zu-ú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-[ú]
1^lmu-kin₇ 1^{na}-na-a-mu a šá 1^d60-šeš.meš-mu a 1^{šeš}-ú-tú 1^{šib}-qát-^d60
[a šá 1^{kar}-^d60 a 1^é-kur-za-kir 1^d60-šeš-mu a šá 1^d60-din-iṭ a 1^{kur}-i 1^d60-še[š-mu]
(25) [a šá 1^{ri}-hat-^dinanna a 1^é-kur-za-kir 1^bár-^d60 a šá 1^d60-šeš-gál-ši 'a'
1^é-kur-za-kir 1^d60-numun-giš a šá 1^{mu}-a a 1^{šeš}-ú-tú 1^d60-ad-[šeš]
[a šá 1^{kar}-^d60 a 1^lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur 1^{ri}-hat-^dinanna a šá 1^{dum}-qí-^d60'
[a 1^lu-u]š-tam-mar-^diškur 1^{ki}.kal-^dgašan a šá 1^{na}-na-a-mu a 1^lu-uš-tam-m[ar-^diškur]
1^{ana}-gal-ka-^d60 a šá 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá 1^d60-siq-qa-tu₄-gur
(30) 1ⁿíg.sum.mu-^d60 1^umbis]ag a šá 1^d60-en-šú-nu a 1^é-kur-za-kir 'unug[^{ki} iṭ]apin ud.1]2'.k[ám]
[mu.106.kám 1^{an}-ti-'-i-ku-su u 1^{an}-ti-'-i-ku-su luḡal.meš]
- L.e. [un-qa 1^d60-numun-giš un-qa 1^d60-ad-šeš]
R.e. [un-qa 1^d60]-mu-nu ' [1^{na}]a-din-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš 'un'-[qa 1^{ana}-gal-^d60 1^lmu-mar-raq-an-na
B.e. [un-qa 1^d60-šeš-mu un-qa]a 1^{na}-na-a-mu 'un-qa' 1^bár-^d60 'un'-qa [1^{ana}-gal-ka-^d60]
U.e. [un-qa 1^d60-šeš-mu] un-qa 1^{ri}-hat-^dinanna un-qa 1^{šib}-qat-^d60 u[un-qa] 1^{ki}.kal-^dgaša[n]

Dossier. n-a

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.2=688a: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W2=U.e.3=lost: Šibqat-Anu/Mušēzib-Anu//EZ

W3=U.e.1=688e/B.e.1=688c: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit//K

W4=U.e.1=688e/B.e.1=688c: Anu-ahu-iddin/Rihat-Ištar//EZ

W5=B.e.3=688d: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ

W6=L.e.1=lost: Anu-zēru-līšir/Nadinā//Ah

W7=L.e.2=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Mušēzib-Anu//LA

W8=U.e.2=688b: Rihat-Ištar/Dumqi-Anu//LA

W9=U.e.4=lost: Dannat-Bēlti/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W10=B.e.4=lost: Ana-rabūtika-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-siqqatu-utēr(?)

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 12, year 106, Antiochus and Antiochus, the kings

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=lost: Anu-ittannu/Anu-ušallim/Kidin-Anu//LA

Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=lost: Ana-rabûti/Anu-bēlšunu//LA

Translation and Commentary. See **No. 72-P**. Duplicate not recognised in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

No. 74-RE. Plate LXXIV

Museum no.: BM 114413//114417 (1920-6-15, 9)

Size: 8.2×9.5×2.6 (S)

Format: type 2b, split (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 109.(VIII).7, Antiochus III and Antiochus; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 203.XI.07

Bibl.: unpubl.; Corò 2015 (publ. 2016), pp. 86-92; Monerie 2014, pp. 46, 160, 175

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #725 and pp. 254-255, #35; Pearce 2010, pp. 316-317 and 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of half of a *bitu sippi raksu bitu ruggubu* etc. in the district of the Adad temple, NSW

- (Obv.) x¹ 'ha-in-na-a' dumu šá^{1d60}-din-su-e^{lú}šu. 'ha' [ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú]
 mi-šil ma-la ha.la-šú šá ina é-tu₄ sip-pi rak-su é ru-g[u-bu^{gišig} ^{giš}sag.kul]
 kun-nu ki-ti é^diškur šá qé-reb unug^{ki} uš an-ú¹[^msi.sá da]
 é^šib-qát-^dinanna dumu.munus šá^{1ze'}-an-na-pa-lu-su dam 'pi-l[u-ú]
- (5) u gú mu-rad íd^dinanna uš ki-ú^{im}u₁₈.lu da ii-ú mu-šu-[ú]
 šá é mu.meš a-di mu-rad íd^dinanna sag.ki an.ta^{im}mar.tu da
 é^šib-qát-^dinanna dumu.munus šá^{1ze'}-<an>-na-pa-lu-su dam pi-lu-ú sag.'ki'
 ki.ta^{im}kur.ra gú íd^dinanna šu.nigin uš u sag.ki mi-ših-tu₄
 é mu.meš é mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi
- (10) a-na 10 gín kù.babbar is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá¹an-ti-i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú
 a-na šám til.meš erasure a-na <1>ki-din-^{d60} dumu šá¹il-lut-^{d60} ^{lú}se-pir-ri níg.ga^{d60}
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 10 kù.babbar^{sic!} šám mi-šil ina é mu.meš til-ri
 ka-sap til-ti.meš 'ha-in-na-' dumu šá^{1d60}-din-su-e^{lú}šu.ha ina šu-ii
¹bár-60 ma-hir e-tir u-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi mi-šil
- (15) ina é mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú¹ki-din-^{d60} dumu šá¹su-mut-tu₄-^{d60} ^{lú}uš.bar
 a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq-ma a-na <1>bár-^{d60} a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú
- (Rev.) i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na¹mu-uq?-qu šá mi-šil ina é mu.meš
 'ha-in-na-'^{lú}na-din-na-an mi-šil ina é mu.meš u¹bár-^{d60} dumu šá¹
¹su-mut-tu₄-^{d60} ^{lú}mu-mar-raq-an mi-šil ina é mu.meš a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú ana¹bár-^{d60} (verb omitted)
- (20) mi-šil ina é mu.meš šá¹bár-^{d60} dumu šá¹il-lut-^{d60} ^{lú}se-pir-ri níg.ga^{d60} a-na u₄-mu
^{lú}mu-kin₇ ša-a-tú šu-ú
^{1d60}-šeš-gál-ši dumu šá¹šá-^{d60}-iš-šu-ú a¹é-kur-za-kir
¹ú-šur-šú-^{d60} dumu šá¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} a¹hun-zu-ú
¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá^{1d60}-ad-šeš a¹hun-zu-ú
 (25) ¹dum-qí-^{d60} dumu šá¹tat-tan-nu a¹hun-zu-ú
^{1d60}-din-iš dumu šá^{1d60}-numun-mu a¹é-kur-za-kir
^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu šá^{1d}[60-a]d-gur a¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} dumu šá¹ana-ga[l]-^{d60} a¹hun-zu-ú
¹il-lut-^{d60} dumu šá¹ina-qí-bit-^{d60} a¹é.babbar-mu-dù
 (30) ¹ina-qí-bit-^{d60} dumu šá¹bár-^{d60} ^{lú}se-pir-ri níg.ga^{d60}
¹šu-pil-tu₄ dumu šá^{1d60}-din-su-e^{lú}šu.ha
 (D.f.) ^{1d60}-ba-šá-an-ni^{lú}umbisag^{lú}gala mah^{d60} dumu šá¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} a^{1d30}-ti-ér
 [unug^{ki} ^{iti}apin] ud.7.kám mu.109.kám 'an-ti-'i-ku-su u 'an-ti-'ku-su^{lú}dumu-šú lugal.meš'

L.e. 'un'-qa¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} un-qa¹ú-šur-šú-^{d60} un-qa¹šu-pil-tu₄ un-[qa]^{1d}[na-na-a-mu]R.e. un-qa ['ha-in-na-'^{lú}na-din-na-an mi-šil ina é mu.meš /un-qa¹bár-^{d60} ^{lú}mu-mar-raq-an / mi-šil ina é mu.mešB.e. un-qa^{1d60}-din-iš un-qa¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} un-qa¹il-lut-^{d60}U.e. un-qa¹ina-qí-bit-^{d60} un-qa¹ni-din-tu₄-^{d60} ^(sic!) un-qa¹[¹dum-qí-^{d60}]

Dossier. Anu-iqišanni and professions

Translation. Hainnā/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the fisherman, voluntarily sold to Kidin-Anu/Illūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu, for the full price of 10 š of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, one-half of his full share in the house (with) its intact door frame, a roofed house, with wooden door and bolt installed, in the district of the Adad temple, within Uruk: the upper long side, to the north adjoining the house of Šibqat-Ištar/Zēnophilos, the wife of Philos on the bank of the Ištar canal; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the second exit of this house on the bank of the Ištar canal; the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Šibqat-Ištar/Zēnophilos, the wife of Philos; the lower short side, to the east, on the Ištar canal; in total: the long and the short sides, measurement of this house; this house, as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver: 10 š full price of one-half in this house, the full silver (!?), Hainnā/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the fisherman has received from the hands of Kidin-Anu; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one-half in this house, Kidin-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu, the weaver, will clear it 12-fold and will give to Kidin-Anu forever; Hainnā, the seller of one-half in this house and Kidin-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu, the guarantor, mutually (guarantee) for the clearing from claims of one-half in this house.

One-half in this house belongs to Kidin-Anu/Illūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2(!)=725j: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Sa-Anu-iššû//EZ

W2=L.e.2=725h: Ušuršu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//H

W3=L.e.1¹=725d: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//H

W4=U.e.3=725f: Dumqi-Anu/Tattannu//H

W5=B.e.1=725a: Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

W6=L.e.4=725c: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-abu-utēr//LA

W7=B.e.2²=725b: Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabūti-Anu//H

W8=B.e.3=725g: Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni

W9=U.e.1=725e: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Kidin-Anu, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

W10=L.e.3=725k: Šupeltu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, fisherman

Scribe: Anu-iqīšanni/Nidinti-Anu//SLU, the chief singer of dirges of Anu. Uruk. ..., day 7, year 109, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=725i: Hainnā/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the fisherman

Buyer: Kidin-Anu/Illūt-Anu, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=lost: Kidin-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu, the weaver

N-neighbour+W-neighbour: Šibqat-Ištar/Zēnophilos W Philos (house) + bank of the Ištar canal

S-neighbour: second exit of this house on the bank of the Ištar canal

E-neighbour: on the bank of the Ištar canal

Commentary. The text is the duplicate of **No. 75-RE**. Its significance as proof of an existing link between administrative and legal documents in Hellenistic Uruk has been extensively discussed in Corò 2015 (publ. 2016). As it was noted there, a number of scribal peculiarities (that can be ascribed to the hand of the scribe Anu-iqīšanni/Nidinti-Anu//SLU, the *kalamāh* Anu) can be pointed out in the text: inconsistencies, especially in the use of determinatives, variants both in the formulary and the spellings used for common words and names are used throughout.⁹⁷

Obv. 4, 'ze-'-*an-na-pa-lu-su* and Obv. 7, 'ze-'-*<an>-na-pa-lu-su*: the name of Zenophilos (?; Monerie 2014, p. 175) is written here and in the duplicate four times in total: all examples feature different spellings.

Obv. 5, *gú mu-rad*: variant for *da*. The choice of a variant used in lexical texts may reflect the scribal background of the scribe. The variant is only used with the name of the canal.

Obv. 10: silver is not qualified here, while *qal-lu-ú* is added in the duplicate; *'an-ti-i-ku-su*: variant of the longer spelling used in the date formula.

Obv. 11, *<ki-din>*^d60 and Obv. 16, *<bár>*^d60: omission of the *Personenkeil* before the PNs.

Obv. 12, *kù.babbar* *a*₄ 10 *kù.babbar*: *gín* was expected here; same variant in the duplicate.

Obv. 13, *ka-sap til-ti.meš*: variant formulary.

Obv. 14, 'bár-60: the first sign is bar, clearly a mistake for the *Personenkeil* (maybe the scribe was confused because of the use of *bár* immediately after?)

Rev. 17: *lúmu-uq²-qu*; anomalous spelling; usually a verb is required here.

Rev. 19: verb omitted

Rev. 21, *ša-a-tú šu-ú*: text exceeding from the previous line, added here, right aligned.

Rev. 33 (D.f.), *lúdumu-šú*: note the use of the determinative. Same use in the duplicate. Did the scribe interpret it as a professional name in that it indicated the co-regent?

U.e.2: the seal impression is captioned Nidinti-Anu; scribal mistake for Anu-ahu-ušabši (as is clear from the duplicate, where the seal is correctly attributed to Anu-ahu-ušabši).

R.e.: writing on the right edge is arranged in a very peculiar way on both **No. 74-RE** and the duplicate.

The tablet is type 2b, split: a few irregularities can however be noted: an unexpected half-line blank is added between Obv. 21 and 22; moreover, as shown above, the scribe did not properly calculate the space on the last line of the contract formulation with the result that he added the verb on the following line, hosting the caption *lúmu-kin*, right aligned.

W7=B.e.2²: identification tentative on the basis of the similarity with AUWE 19, no. 313.

⁹⁷ On Anu-iqīšanni/Nidinti-Anu//SLU see Corò 2015 (publ. 2016) and the chapter on scribes, above. A study of the scribes of Hellenistic Uruk by the present author is currently in preparation.

No. 75-RE. Plate LXXV

Museum no.: BM 114417//114413 (1920-6-15, 13)

Size: 8.9×10.1×2.8 (M)

Format: type 2b, split

Date SE: 109.(VIII).7, Antiochus III and Antiochus; staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 203.XI.07

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, pp. 46, 160, 175

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #725; Pearce 2010, pp. 316-317 and 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of one-half of a *bitu*, *sippi raksu*, *bitu ruggubu* etc. in the district of the Adad temple.

- (Obv.) *'ha-in-na'* dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-su-e ^{lú}šū.ha ina hu-ud' *lib-bi-šú mi-šil ma-[la]*
šá ina é ép-šú sip-pi rak-su é ru-gu-bu ^{gí}šig ^{gí}šag.kul kun-nu ki-ti
 é ^diškur *šá qé-reb* <unug^{ki}> uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da é ^fšib-qát-^dinanna dumu.munus
šá 'ze-ia-an-na-pa-lu-su dam ^lpi-lu-ú u gú *mu-rad* ^{íd} ^dinanna
 (5) uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₀.lu da ii-ú *mu-šu* ú *šá* é mu.meš *a-di mu-rad* ^{íd} ^dinanna
 sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é ^fšib-qát-^dinanna dumu.munus *šá 'ze-ia-an-na-pa-lu-su*
 dam ^lpi-lu-ú sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra gú ^{íd} ^dinanna
 šū.nigin uš u sag.ki *mi-ših-tu*₄ é mu.meš é mu.meš *i-ši*
 u *ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na* 10 gín kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú*
 (10) *is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá 'an-ti-'i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na* šám
 til-ti.meš *a-na* <^l>ki-din-^d60 dumu *šá 'il-lut-*^d60 ^{lú}se-^rpir-ri [nig.ga ^d60]
a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú it-ta-din* kù.babbar ^ra₄ 10 kù.babbar^{sic} šám *mi-šil ina* é mu.meš
 til-ri *ka-sap* til-ti.meš *'ha-in-na'* dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-su-e ^{lú}šū.ha
 ina šū-ii ^{bár}-^d60 *ma-hir e-tir* u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi*
 (15) *mi-šil ina* é mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú 'ki-din-*^d60 dumu *šá 'su-mut-tu*₄-^d60
^{lú}uš.bar
- (Rev.) [a-di] 12-ta.àm *ú-mar-raq-ma a-na* <^l>bár-^d60 [a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú*
i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na ^{lú}mu-x-qu *šá mi-šil ina* é mu.meš
'ha-in-na-a' ^{lú}na-din-na-an *mi-šil 'ina* é mu.meš <u> ^{bár}-^d60 dumu *šá*
 (20) ^lsu-mut-tu₄-^d60 ^{lú}mu-mar-raq-an *mi-šil ina* [é] mu.meš *a-[na]* u₄-mu *ša-a-[tú a-na* ^{bár}-^d60 (verb omitted?)
mi-šil ina é mu.meš *šá 'bár-*^d60 dumu *šá 'il-lut-*^d60 ^{lú}se-pir-ri nig.ga ^d60 *a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tú šū-ú*
^{lú}mu-kin₇
^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ší dumu *šá 'šá-*^d60-iš-šū-ú a ^lé-kur-za-kir'
^lú-šur-šú-^d60 dumu *šá 'ni-din-tu*₄-^d60 a ^lhun-zu-ú
 (25) ^lni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ^lhun-zu-ú
^ldum-qí-^d60 dumu *šá 'tat-tan-nu* a ^lhun-zu-ú
^ld60-[din]-^riť' dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^lé-kur-za-kir
^lna-na-a-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-gur a ^llu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
^lni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu *šá 'ana-gal-*^d60 a ^lhun-zu-ú
 (30) ^lil-lut-^d60 dumu *šá 'ina-qí-bit-*^d60 a ^lé.babbar-mu-dù
^lina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu *šá 'bár-*^d60 a ^lse-pir-ri nig.ga ^d60
^lšu-pil-tu₄ dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-su-e ^{lú}šū.ha
^{1d}60-ba-šá-^d60 ^{lú}šid ^{lú}gala mah ^d60 dumu *šá 'ni-din-tu*₄-60 a ^{1d}30-ti-in-ni unug^{ki} ^{iti}apin
 'ud'.7.kám mu.109.kám *'an-ti-'i-ku-su* u *'an-ti-'i-ku-su* ^{lú}dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. *un-qa* ^lni-din-tu₄-^d60 [un]-qa ^rlú-šur-šú-^d60 *un-qa* ^lšu-pil-tu₄ *un-qa* ^lna-na-a-mu
 R.e. [^lsu]-mut-tu₄-[^d60] ^{lú}[mu-mar-raq-qa]-na-an' *mi-šil*[l] *ina* é mu.meš u[*n-qa*] *'ha-in-na'* ^{lú}na-din-na-an *mi-šil ina* é [mu.meš]
 B.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}60-din-iť *un-qa* ^lni-din-tu₄-^d60 *un-qa* ^lil-lut-^d60
 U.e. *un-qa* ^lina-qí-bit-^d60 *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ší *un-qa* ^ldum-qí-^d60

Dossier. Professions and scribe chief singer of dirges

Translation. See the duplicate No. 74-RE.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=725j: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Sa-Anu-iššû//EZ

W2=L.e.2=725h: Ušuršū-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//H

W3=L.e.1²=725d Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//H

W4=U.e.3=725f: Dumqī-Anu/Tattannu//H

W5=B.e.1=725a: Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

W6=L.e.4=725c: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-abu-utēr//LA

W7=B.e.2²=725b: Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabūti-Anu//H

W8=B.e.3=725g: Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni

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W9=U.e.1=725e: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Kidin-Anu, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu
 W10=L.e.3=725k: Šupeltu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, fisherman

Scribe: Anu-iqīšanni/Nidinti-Anu//SLU, the *kalamāh* Anu. Uruk. ..., day 7, year 109, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=725i: Hainnā/Anu-balāssu-iqbi, the fisherman
 Buyer: Kidin-Anu/lllūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=lost: Kidin-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu, the weaver
 N-neighbour+W-neighbour: 'Šibqat-lštar/Zēnophilos W Philos (house) + bank of the lštar canal
 S-neighbour: second exit of this house on the bank of the lštar canal
 E-neighbour: on the bank of the lštar canal

Commentary. Duplicate of **No. 74-RE**.

Obv. 2: ⁸³sag.kul: logographic for *sikkūru* ('bolt'); the syllabic spelling (*sik-kur*) occurs in OECT 9 41 and **No. 3-RE** (*si-kur*).

Obv. 4 and Obv. 6: note two more different spelling for the name of Zēnophilos: *'ze-ia-an-na-pa-lu-su* and *'ze-ia-na-pa-lu-su*.

Obv. 11, <sup>1>ki-din-^d60: omission of the *Personenkeil* as in the duplicate. *til-ti.meš*: *til-ri* in the duplicate. The logographic spelling of *gamrūti* is redundant (both the plural marker and the phonetic complement for the plural are used). Note that a spelling *til-ti* is used in OECT 9 7, BiMes 24 14 and TCL 13 249: the three contracts are all by the hand of scribes of the SLU family,

Obv. 12, 10 kù.babbar^{sic}: same as in the duplicate.

Obv. 16, ¹⁶uš.bar: added in an extra line.

Rev. 19, *u*: omitted here; extant on the duplicate.

Rev. 20: reconstructed on the basis of the duplicate.

W10: Cf. YOS 20 60 and 61 where a Šupeltu is also mentioned.

Rev. 33 (D.f.), ^{1d}60-ba-šá-^d60: variant for ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni, used in the duplicate. Logographic variant for the phonetic complement? Note also the variant spelling for the clan name: ^{1d}30-ti-in-ni.

L.e.4, ^{1d}na-na-a-mu: name written following the round profile of the tablet.

R.e.: seal impressions destroyed. See commentary to **No. 74-RE** for details.

No. 76-P. Plate LXXVI

Museum no.: BM 105207 (1913-4-16, 39)

Size: 8.2×10.2×2.6 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 109.x.23, Antiochus III and Antiochus, silver *qalû*, staters [...]

Date BC: 203/202.x.?

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #726

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Enlil

- Obv. [...] *hu-ud lib-[bi-šú...]*
 [... a pa]p⁷ *sa-ma-nu-ú šá [...]*
 [...] *ú-tú igi en.líl^d[...]*
 [...] *ú dingir.meš é-š[ú-nu]*
 (5) [... è]š.èš.meš *ù*
 [... -t]ú *šá ki¹⁰š[eš.meš-šu-nu]*
 [... giš].šub.ba mu.m[eš]
 [... *qa-l]u-ú is-ta-[tir-ra-nu]*
 [... a]-*na^{1d}na-[na-a-mu]*
 (10) [... *u₄]-mu ša-a-tú*
 [... giš.šub.b]a¹⁰ *ku₄ é-ú-tú*
 [... ^{1d}*na-na]-a-mu ú*
 [...]-*din giš.šub.b[a]*
 [...] a *šá¹ina-qí-bit-^d60*
 (15) [... ^{1d}*na-na-a]-mu u^{1d}60-din-iṭ a.meš šá¹[^d60-numun-mu]*
 Rev. *a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din-’-ú []*
šá giš.šub.ba¹⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš^{1x} []
¹*ina-qí-bit-^d60 a-na^{1d}na-na-a-mu u^{1rd}[^d60-din-iṭ]*
 (20) *sa-ma-nu-ú šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.16.k[ám]*
giš.šub.ba¹⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš šá^{1d}na-na-a-m[u u^{1d}60-din-iṭ]
a.meš šá^{1d}60-numun-mu a šá¹nu.téš a.meš¹é-kur-za-kir a-[na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-nu]
¹⁰*mu-kin₇^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá^{1d}60-numun-giš a¹šeš-’-ú-tú¹[xxxxxxx a šá]*
^{1d}*60-din-iṭ a¹hun-zu-ú^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá¹ri-hat-^din[anna u]*
 (25) ¹*ina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá¹du-a a.meš¹é-kur-za-kir^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu [a šá]*
^{1d}*60-gi u¹ana-gal-^d60 a šá¹ba-la-ṭu a.meš¹lu-uš-ta-mar-^d[iškur]*
¹*šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú a šá¹nu.téš u^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a šá¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 [a.meš]*
¹*kur-i^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá¹ki-^d60-hé.nun u^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá¹níg.su[m.mu-^d60]*
a.meš^{1d}30-ti-ér¹níg.sum.mu-^d60¹⁰umbisag a ša^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a¹é-k[ur-za-kir unug^{ki}itix]
 (30) *ud.23.kám mu.109.kám¹an-ti-’-i-ku-su u¹an-ti-’-i-’-[ku-su a-šú lugal.meš]*
 L.e. *un-qa [...]* *un-qa [...]*
 R.e. (lost)
 B.e. ¹*un-qa^{1d}60-din-iṭ [...]*
 U.e. *un-qa [...]* *un-qa [...]* *un-qa [...]* *un-[qa ...]*

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandsons (NI/AZI/L/EZ and AU/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. ... voluntarily (sold) to Nanāya-iddin (and Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši //EZ) ... a total(?) of one-eighth of ... (their *ērib bītūtu* (prebend) before Enlil ... and all the gods of their temple ... *eššešu* offerings and ... which is with their brothers ... that prebend ... pure silver, staters ... in perpetuity. ... temple-enterer's prebend ... Nanāya-iddin and ... prebend ... (and) .../Ina-qibīt-Anu ... will give to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin, forever. ... that temple-enterer's prebend ... (and) .../Ina-qibīt-Anu ... to the advantage of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit ... One eighth of one day, in one day, on day 16 ... that temple-enterer's prebend belongs to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-zēru-līšir//Ah

W2=??: .../Anu-uballit//H

W3=B.e.1=726a: Anu-uballit/Rihat-lštar//EZ

W4=??: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Mukīn-apli//EZ

W5=??: Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-ušallim//LA

W6=??: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Balāṭu//LA

W7=?=? : Ša-Anu-iššû/Lâbâši//K
 W8=?=? : Anu-māru-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K
 W9=?=? : Nanāya-iddin/Itti-Anu-nuhšu//SLU
 E10=?=? : Anu-uballiṭ/Nidinti-Anu//SLU

Seal impressions (no captions preserved)

L.e.1=726b
 L.e.2=lost
 U.e.1=726d
 U.e.2=lost
 U.e.3=726c
 U.e.4=lost

Scribe: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ. (Uruk, month ...) day 23, year 109, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings.

Seller=?=lost: lost

Buyer1: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Buyer2: Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Commentary. Despite the fragmentary condition of obverse of the tablet, the two buyers can be identified with Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ and the document can be attributed to the dossier of the Lâbâši family. On the activities of the two brothers, see commentary to **Nos. 68-P, 70-P** (only Nanāya-iddin), **84-P** and **89-P**.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #726 L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.2.

W3=B.e.1=726a; the seal of Anu-uballiṭ/Rihat-lštar corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 136 (and 727a, see below, **No. 78-P**, W4).

No. 77-P. Plate LXXVII

Museum no.: BM 105186 (1913-4-16, 18)

Size: 8.9×9.8×2.8 (S)

Format: type 2 (?), fragmentary

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 107-109⁷+x.x.x., staters of Antiochus (*qalû* and g.q.)

Date BC: 202+x.x.x (202/192 BC)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 184-186; Pearce, HBTIN, P388064 (collations)

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Anu

Dossier. Lâbâši-^fBēlessunu (wife of AU/AZI//EZ) and women

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.1: Lâbâši

W?=U.e.2: Līšir

W?=B.e.1: Anu-ahu-ittannu

W?=L.e.1: Anu-abu-ušur

W?=L.e.2: Anu-ahu-iddin

Scribe: lost

Seller1=clearer1=co-guarantor1=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

Seller2=clearer2=co-guarantor2=lost: Lâbâši/Tattannu//EZ

Seller3=clearer3=co-guarantor3=lost: Anu-ittannu/Tattannu//EZ

Seller4=clearer4=co-guarantor4=lost: Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

Buyer: ^fBēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu W Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. Again the text belongs to ^fBēlessunu's dossier. On the basis of the extant traces on the tablet a date between SE 104-109 is plausible; this fits in well with the period when Bēlessunu was active in Uruk.

The few preserved seal impressions on this tablet are not included in Mitchell, Searight 2008.

Kennedy's preliminary transliteration available.

No. 78-P. Plate LXXVIII

Museum no.: BM 105196 (1913-4-16, 28)//YOS 20 85

Size: 8.7×10.2×3.5 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact?, blank at the end

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 115.IV.12, Antiochus III and Antiochus; stators of Antiochus *qalû*, g.q.

Date BC: 197.VII.10

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 183-184. For the duplicate, Doty 2012, p. 31

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #727 and p. 255, #37. Pearce 2010, pp. 316 and 324

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *êrib bîtûtu* of Anu

Dossier. Lâbâši-B (‘Bēlessunu, wife of AU/AZI//EZ); women

Witnesses:

W1=?=? : ... /Anu-ahu-ušabši//EZ

W2=U.e.2=727g/L.e.2=727e: Nidinti-Anu/... -Anu//H

W3=U.e.3=727f: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/...//EZ (=AUWE 19, no. 864)

W4=U.e.4=727a: Anu-uballiṭ/Rihat-lštar//EZ (=AUWE 19, no. 136)

W5=?=? : ...//LA

W6=U.e.2/L.e.2=727e: Nidinti-Anu/Lišir/...

W7: .../Anu-zêru-lišir/Anu-ahhe-iddin//H

W8: ... Anu-abu-ušur/Šumiya//Ah

W9: ...-abu-ušur(?)/Lâbâši /EZ

W10: ... /Bassiya//KM

Scribe: .../Anu-ahhe-iddin//EZ

Witnesses from the edges:

U.e.1=727c: Dumqi-Anu (=AUWE 19, no. 205)

B.e.1=lost: Anu-ahhe-iddin

B.e.2=727d: Anu-iqišannu

B.e.3=727h: Lâbâši

B.e.4=727j: Lâbâši

L.e.1=727b: Rihat-lštar

Seller=clearer=R.e.1=727i: Anu-uballiṭ/Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ (AUWE 19, no. 745)

Buyer: ‘Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H W Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The text is edited and translated in HANE/M 8, pp. 183-184. The tablet duplicates YOS 20 85 (see Doty 2012, p. 31). The seller is the son of Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ, who acts as seller with his brothers in **No. 77-P**.

Two seal impressions are captioned Nidinti-Anu: 727g=AUWE 19, no. 907 and 727e=AUWE 19, no. 729.

W3=U.e.3=727f corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 864.

W4=U.e.4=727a: Anu-uballiṭ/Rihat-lštar//EZ; same individual (and seal) as W3 in **No. 76-P** (Mitchell, Searight 2008, #726a). The seal corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 136.

U.e.1=727c, the seal of Dumqi-Anu corresponds to AUWE 19, no. 205.⁹⁸

Left edge upside down (L/R orientation of writing proceeds from top to bottom).

⁹⁸ All correspondences with AUWE established on the basis of the duplicate YOS 20 85, as identified by Wallenfels in HBTIN: P303979.

No. 79-RE. Plate LXXIX

Museum no.: BM 105173 (1913-4-16, 5)

Size: 8.9×10.8×3.2 (M)

Format: type 4a, compact (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 119.III.20, Antiochus III and Antiochus; silver *qalû*, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 193.VII.04

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #676

Description (type of transaction): sale of part of a *kišubbu* in the district of the Šamaš Gate. NSW

- Obv. ¹la-ba-ši dumu šá ¹bár-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-du²-[a a ¹]é²-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú
 2.[ta]-šú-ii² ina ¹mi-šil² [ina ki-šub-ba-a-šú ...]x ab²-šú šá ina ki-ti ká.gal^dutu
 [šá² qe-r]eb unug^{ki} uš an[^ú ^{imsi}.sá da...] ^dinanna uš ki-ú
 [^{im}]u¹⁸.lu d[^a ...] sag.ki an.ta
 (5) [^{im}]mar.tu da [...]-sur^{1?} ^{1ú}báhar
 u da é dumu.meš šá ¹ina-qí-[bit-^d60[?] dumu šá ¹PN] sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra
 da ki-šub-ba-a šá² [PN du]mu šá ¹tat-tan-nu šu.nigin uš.meš u sag.ki.meš
 meš-hat ki-šub-ba-[a mu.meš] ².ta-šu-ii ina mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš i-š
 u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 10 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu
 (10) šá ¹an-ti'-i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
 dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a šá ¹nu.téš a ¹é²-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din
 kù.babbar a₄ 10 gín šám 2.ta-šu-ii ina mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš til.meš
¹la-ba-ši ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-din-iṭ ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi
².ta-šu-ii ina mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu
 (15) [še]š-šu dumu šá ¹bár-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-du-a ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12.ta-àm
 Rev. a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na
 mu-ru-qu šá ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš ¹la-ba-ši ^{1ú}na-din-na ki-šub-ba-a
 mu.meš ú ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu šeš-šú a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú
 na-šu-ú 2.ta-šu-ii ina mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu
 (20) a šá ¹nu.téš a ¹é²-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
^{1ú}mu-kin₇ ¹su-mut-tu₄-^d60 dumu šá ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹šeš-²ú-tú
¹bár-^d60 dumu šá ¹nu.téš-^d60 u ¹tat-tan-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ¹tat-tan-nu
 a.meš ¹é²-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu šá ¹bár-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu
 (25) ¹é²-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-na-na-a-mu a šá ¹ba-d₄-gašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá ¹ba-as-si-ia a ¹é²-kur-za-kir
¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹é.babbar.ra-mu-dù
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹é²-kur-za-kir
¹gal-^d60 dumu šá ¹nu.téš a ¹gal-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú
¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu ^{1ú}kuš.sar níg.ga^d60
 (30) ¹du-a ^{1ú}umbisag dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a ¹é²-kur-za-kir unug^{ki} ^{im}sig ud.20.kám
 mu.119.kám ¹an-ti'-i-ku-su u ¹an-ti'-i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. un-qa ¹na-na-a-mu un-qa ¹tat-tan-nu
 R.e. un-qa ¹nu.téš ^{1ú}na-din-na ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ^{1ú}mu-mar-raq-an-ni ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa ¹gal-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu un-qa ¹bár-^d60
 U.e. un-qa ¹ni-din-tu₄-^dinanna un-qa ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú un-qa ¹en-šú-nu un-[qa] ¹su-mut-tu₄-^d60

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandson (AU/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. Lâbâši/Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukîn-apli//EZ voluntarily sold to Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, for the full price of 10 š of refined silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus 2/3 in one-half in his undeveloped plot ... in the district of the Šamaš Gate within Uruk: the upper long side ... lštar, the lower long side, to the south adjoining the ...; the upper short side, to the west, adjoining ...; the potter and adjoining the house of the sons of Ina-qibit-Anu/...; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the undeveloped plot of .../Tattannu; in total, the upper and lower sides, measurement of this undeveloped plot, 2/3 in one-half in this undeveloped plot, as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver: 10 š, full price of 2/3 in one-half in this undeveloped plot, Lâbâši received from the hands of Anu-uballit; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to 2/3 in one-half in this undeveloped plot, Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukîn-apli, his son, will clear it and will give 12-fold to Anu-uballit, forever; Lâbâši, the seller of this undeveloped plot and Anu-ahu-ittannu, his son mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this undeveloped plot to the advantage of Anu-uballit, in perpetuity. 2/3 in one-half in this undeveloped plot belongs to Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.4=676k: Sumuttu-Anu/lllüt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//Ah
 W2=B.e.4=676g: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši//EZ
 W3=L.e.2=676d: Tattannu/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Tattannu//EZ
 W4=U.e.3=676c: Anu-bêlšunu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//EZ
 W5=L.e.1=676a: Nanāya-iddin/Dannāt-Bēlti//LA
 W6=B.e.3=676i: Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-uballit/Bassiya//EZ
 W7=U.e.2=676e: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nanāya-iddin//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni
 W8=B.e.1=676l: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//EZ
 W9=B.e.2=676j: Rabi-Anu/Lâbâši/Rabi-Anu//H
 W10=U.e.1=676f: Nidinti-Ištar/Anu-ahhē-iddin, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

Scribe: Mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu//EZ. Uruk. Simānu, day 20, year 119, Antiochus and Antiochus, his son, the kings

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=676b: Lâbâši/Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ
 Buyer=Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=676h: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli (son of the seller)
 N-neighbour: [...]
 S-neighbour: [...]
 W-neighbour: [...], the potter+ sons of Ina-qibīt-Anu/... (house)
 E-neighbour: [...]/Tattannu (undeveloped plot)

Commentary. The document belongs to the dossier of the Lâbâši family. Buyer of the property is the grandson of Lâbâši, Anu-uballit. The BM collection includes six contracts where Anu-uballit is the buyer; four of them have prebends as object, and Anu-uballit acts jointly with his eldest brother, Nanāya-iddin (**Nos. 68-P, 70-P, 76-P and 89-P**). Two, including the present document and **No. 80-RE**, record him purchasing properties located in the district of the Šamaš gate, and acting alone. In addition he is mentioned in the witness list of **No. 74-RE**.

The document is dated to SE 119: see also Walker in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 312 (under #676).

Rev. 18, ù: this is the only instance in this tablet of the use of ù instead of u, which the scribe employed throughout.

Rev. 21: a half-line blank separates the witness list from the preceding section of the contract.

Rev. 26: Ebabbar-šumu-ibni, written in its fully logographic form.

Rev. 30-31: no blank before the date formula.

L.e.: mu.meš is written above giš.šub.ba; the scribe did not properly calculate the available room. un-qa and names of seller and clearer are on top of the seal impressions, their roles beneath.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, L2 corresponds to L.e.1 in the tablet; L1=L.e.2 on the tablet. The tablet's format is a type 4, slightly irregular: the scribe inserts a half-line blank between the end of the contract formulation and the witness list. The end of the contract is highlighted by the use of an extra-long horizontal stroke, voiding the blank that follows the last word. Blanks are inserted in the witness list before the family names of W8 and W9 and before the title of W10.

No. 80-RE. Plate LXXX

Museum no.: BM 109947 (1914-4-4, 13)

Size: 8.7×9.8×3.4 (S)

Format: type 4a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (102/119).VIII.16; Antiochus III and Antiochus; silver *qalû*, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: (210/193).x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #756

Description (type of transaction): sale of *kišubbû* in the district of the Šamaš Gate. NSWE

- (Obv.) ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a a šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e a 'é-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú mi-šil ma-la ha.la-šú gab-bi šá ki ^{1d}60-din-iṭ u šeš.meš-šú dumu.meš šá 'bár-^d60 šeš-šú a šá ^{1d}60-du-a a 'é-kur-za-kir šá ki-šub-ba-a ki-ti ká gal ^dutu šá qé-reb unug^{ki} šá uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá gú id inanna uš ki-ú ^{im}u.lu₁₈
- (5) da sila sig mu-taq un.meš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é 'nig.sum.mu.lugal a šá 'ri-hat-^dgašan.edin a šá 'du₁₀.ga(?) -ra-a ^{1d}ir-su u da é 'ina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ ^{1d}gal é hi-il-šu sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da ki-šub-ba-a šá 'ina-qí-bit-^d60 u šeš.meš a.meš šá 'du-a a šá 'tat-tan-nu a 'é-kur-za-kir šu.nigin [u]š.meš u sag.ki.meš mi-ših-tu₄ ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš mi-šil ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš i-š
- (10) u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 5 gín qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá 'an-ti'-i-[ku-su] 'bab'-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a šá 'nu.teš [a 'é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-'din' kù.babbar a₄ 5 gín šám ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš til.meš ^{1d}60-din-su-e ina šu-[ii] ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a šá ^d60-numun-mu ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-h[i]
- (Rev.) mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu'.meš [it-tab-šu-ú...]
a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ^{1d}60[-din-iṭ] dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu ... ^{1d}60-šeš-[...]
pu-ut a-ha-'a'-meš ana mu-ru-qu šá [ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš...] 'é-kur-z[a-kir]
ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš ^{1d}60-[...] a-na u₄-mu ša-a-t[ú]
mi-šil ina ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš šá '1^d60-din-iṭ a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu 'nu.teš] a 'é-kur-za-k[ir]
- (20) a-na u₄-mu 'ša-a-tú šú-ú'
^{1d}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá 'ina-qí-[bit-^d60...] x x
a 'hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-ad-gur a [...]
^{1d}60-din-su a šá ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a 'é-kur-za'-[kir ...]
a šá 'ina-qí-bit-^d60 a 'hun-zu-ú 'ri-hat-^dinanna a šá [...]
- (25) ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá 'ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60²-[...] 'šú-^d60²-x x x 'id²-[...]
a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a 'hun-zu-ú 'nig.sum.'mu-^dinanna' u 'nig.sum.mu'-^d60 a.meš 'x'
a šá 'ir-^dmaš ^{1d}kuš.sar.meš nig.ga ^d60 'ana-gal-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá 'šib-qát-^d60'
[...] 'šid a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a 'é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki}iti apin ud.16.kám
mu.1[00+x.kám 'an-]ti'-i-ku-su u 'an-ti'-i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. un-qa 'nig.sum.mu-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-^dad-šeš un-qa 'nig.sum.mu-^dinanna
R.e. un-qa [^{1d}60-din-su-e ^{1d}]na-din ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš [...] ^{1d}mu-mar-ri-qa-'diš'(ana?)' ki-[šub-ba-a mu.meš]
B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-gur un-'qa' 'ri-hat-^dinanna?' un-qa' 'ana-gal-^d60' un'-[qa ...]
U.e. un-[qa] 'nig.'sum.mu'-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-din²-[su?] un-qa [...] un-qa [...]

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandson (Anu-uballit/AZI/L//EZ) + alphabetic scribes.

Translation. Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-mukîn-apli/Anu-balâssu-iqbi//EZ, voluntarily sold to Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, for the full price of 5 š of refined silver, in g.q. staters of Antiochus: one-half of his full share that he owns with Anu-uballit and his brothers/Kidin-Anu, his brother, son of Anu-mukîn-apli//EZ, of the vacant plot in the district of the Šamaš Gate, within Uruk, whose long side, to the north, is adjacent to the bank of the Ištar canal; the long side, to the south, adjacent to the narrow street, way of the people; the upper short side, to the west, adjacent to the house of Nidinti-šarri/Rihat-bêlet-šêri/Tab-râ(?), his servant and adjacent to the house of Ina-qibit-Anu/Anu-uballit *râb bît hilši*; the lower short side to the east, adjacent to the undeveloped plot of Ina-qibit-Anu and his brothers the sons of Mukîn-apli/Tattannu//EZ; in total: the long and short sides, measurement of this undeveloped plot; half of this undeveloped plot, as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver, 5 š, full price of this undeveloped plot, Anu-balâssu-iqbi has received from the hands Anu-zêru-iddin; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one-half in this undeveloped plot ... 12-fold to Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin ... (and) Anu-ahu-... mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this undeveloped plot ... //EZ. This undeveloped plot to Anu-..., in perpetuity ... ?

One-half in this undeveloped plot belongs to Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši //EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.2/?=756b/? : Anu-abu-uşur/Ina-qibīt-Anu/[...]
 W2=?=: ...//H
 W3=B.e.1=756d: Anu-abu-utēr/...
 W4=U.e.2²? : Anu-uballissu/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ
 W5=?=: ... Ina-qibīt-Anu//H
 W6=B.e.2=756a: Rihat-lštar/...
 W7=L.e.2=756b/? : Anu-abu-uşur/Tanittu-Anu/...
 W8=? : .../Anu²-.../Anu-ahu-iddin//H
 W9=L.e.3=lost: Nidinti-lštar/[...]/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu
 W10=U.e.1/L.e.1=lost/756e: Nidinti-Anu/[...]/Arad-Ninurta, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu
 W11=B.e.3=lost: Ana-rabūti-Anu/Anu-abu-uşur/Šibqat-Anu

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.1=756e: Nidinti-Anu
 W?=U.e.3=756c: lost

Scribe: .../Anu-ahhē-iddin//EZ. Uruk. Arahsamnu, day 16, year 100+x, Antiochus and Antiochus his son, the kings.

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=756f: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//EZ
 Buyer: Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lābāši//EZ
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=: Anu-ahu-.../[...]
 Co-owners: Anu-uballiṭ and his brothers/Kidin-Anu/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ
 N-neighbour: bank of the lštar canal
 S-neighbour: straight thoroughfare passageway of the people
 W-neighbour: Nidinti-šarri/Rihat-bēlet-šēri/Tab-rā(?), his servant (house) and Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballiṭ *rāb bīt hilši* (house)
 E-neighbour: Ina-qibīt-Anu and his brothers/Mukīn-apli/Tattannu//EZ (undeveloped plot)

Commentary. The tablet belongs to the dossier of the Lābāši family; by means of its buyer (see commentary to **No. 79-RE**) it is connected to **Nos. 68-P, 70-P, 76-P, 79-P and 89-P**. Moreover, in the light of its connection with **No. 33-RE** (see above, for details), it bears evidence of the business connections between the family of the seller and that of the buyer over subsequent generations.

As shown above, in the present contract Anu-uballiṭ, purchases an undeveloped plot from the hands of a certain Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//EZ, who may be identified with the grandson of the Anu-balāssu-iqbi who is mentioned in **No. 33-RE** as co-owner of the undeveloped plot that is the object of transaction there. As shown above, the Anu-balāssu-iqbi (jr.) who acts in **No. 80-RE** owns the plot jointly with the sons of his brother, Kidin-Anu: a name that is apparently widespread in the family.

Although the plot involved in **No. 80-RE** may not be the same as the one recorded in our tablet, the connections between the two contracts show that members of the Lābāši family are still conducting business with members of the family of Kidin-Anu after 40 years; moreover, the property in **No. 80-RE** adjoins the bank of the lštar canal and a public street: the descendants of Lābāši are thus still interested in properties located in strategic areas of the city, as were their predecessors forty years earlier.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, #756a labelled T2 corresponds to B.e.2.; 756f labelled L3 corresponds to R.e.1; 756e also labelled L3 corresponds (?) to L.e.1 (?).

The tablet is dated to SE 102-119 on prosopographical grounds (see also Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 235).

No. 81-RE. Plate LXXXI

Museum no.: BM 109964 (1914-4-4, 30)

Size: 9.3×10.8×2.4 (M)

Format: type 4a, compact (slightly irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (102-119?).XII.10; Antiochus III(?) and Antiochus; silver *qalû*, no staters mentioned

Date BC: (210-192?).x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #684

Description (type of transaction): sale of *kišubbu*, in the Emihallake temple district. NSWE

- Obv. ^{1d}60-mu-nu dumu *šá* ^{1nu}.téš-^d60 a *šá* ^{1tat-tan-nu} a ^{1é}-^{kur-za}-^{kir}
 [ina] hu-ud lib-bi-šú ki-šub-ba-a-šú ki-ti ^émi-hal-lak
 [šá] *qé-reb* unug^{ki} 43 kùš uš an-^ú ^{imsi}.sá da ^é ^ù [´]
 [mu]-^{šu-ú} *šá* ^{1mat-tat-nit-tu}-^d60 [u ^{1d}60-šes-mu]-^{nu} ^{1ú}ma-hi[r-ra].meš
 (5) *šá* ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš dumu.meš *šá* ^{1nu}.téš 43 [kùš uš ^{1ki}-^ú ^{1m}u₁₈].^{1lu} [´]
[´]d a ki-š[ub-ba-a ... m]u²-^d60 u da mu-^{šu-ú} *šá* ^é ^{1mat-t[at-nit-tu}-^d60
 [u] ^d60-šes-^{mu-nu} dumu.meš *šá* ^{1nu}.téš 10 kùš sag.ki an.[ta ^{im}mar.tu]
 [d]a ^é ^{1d}60-^{din}-su-e [´]dumu *šá* ^{1ga}-bi-x [´]10 [kùš sag.ki ki.ta]
 [i] ^mkur.ra [´]da silà *qát*-[nu mu]-^{rad} [´]íd ^éinanna [...] x[...]
 (10) ki-šub-ba-a mu.[meš ... 4]3 kùš uš [´]10 [kùš s]ag.ki mi-ših-[tu₄]
 [ki]-šub-ba-a mu.meš [´]ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš *i-ši* u ma-a-du ma-l[a]
 [b]a-šú-ú gab-bi a-na [...] *qa-lu-ú* a-na šám til.[meš]
 a-na ^{1mat-tat}-[nit]-^{tu}-^d60 [u ^{1d}60-šes]-mu-nu dumu *šá* ^{1nu}.téš a-na u₄-[mu *ša-a*]-^{tú}
it-ta-din kù.babbar [´]a₄ [...] šám] ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš [´]til.[´]meš
 (15) ^{1d}60-mu-nu dumu *šá* ^{1nu}.téš-^d60 ina šu-ii ^{1mat-tat-nit}-[tu₄-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šes-mu-nu]
 dumu.meš *šá* ^{1nu}.téš *ma-hir e-[´]tir*[u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri* a-na muh-hi]
 ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú* ^{1x}[...]
 a ^{1é}-^{kur-za-kir} ^úmar-raq-ma a-^{di} 12-t[a.àm a-na ...]
 u ^{1d}60-šes-mu-nu a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú* ina-an-din pu-út a-ha-a-meš
 (20) a-na mu-^{ru-qu} *šá* ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš ^{1d}60-mu-nu ^{1ú}na-an-[din mu.meš...]
 Rev. dumu *šá* ^{1nu}.téš-^d60 u ^{1ina-qí-bit}-^d60 [dumu] *šá* ^{1du}-a dumu.meš *šá* ^{1tat-tan-nu}
 a-na ^{1mat-tat-nit-tu}-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šes-mu-nu dumu.meš *šá* ^{1nu}.téš a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú*
 na-šú-ú ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš *šá* ^{1mat-tat-nit-tu}-^d60 u ^{1d}60-šes-mu-nu dumu.meš *šá* ^{1nu}.téš
 a ^{1d}ag-din-i^š a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú* šú-ú
 (25) ^{1ú}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}na-na-a-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šes.meš-mu a ^{1šes}-^{ú-tú}
^{1d}60-din-su-e d[u]mu *šá* ^{1d}utu-sur a ^{1lu-uš}-tam-mar-^éiškur
^{1ri-hat}-^éištar d[um]u [šá] ^{1dum-qí}-^d60 a ^{1lu-uš}-tam-mar-^éiškur
^{1d}60-š[es...] [dum]u [šá] ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu x a *šá* ^{1d}60-šes.meš-mu a ^{1šes}-^{ú-tú}
^{1d}60-šes-[...] [dum]u [šá] ^{1nu}.t[é]š a *šá* ^{1d}60-šes.meš-mu a ^{1šes}-^{ú-tú}
 (30) ^{1d}60-din-i[š] dumu *šá* ... -š]eš a ^{1kur-i} ^{ir}-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šes
 [a] *šá* ^{1x}-[ma]r-^éiškur ^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu *šá* ^{1ina-qí-bit}-^d60
 a^{1x}-[] ^{1x}-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a *šá* ^{1ki-din}-^d60
^{1š}u²[]-x-^d60 a *šá* ^{1d}60-šes.meš-mu
 [...] ^é-^{kur-za-kir} unug^{ki} ⁱⁱⁱše ud.10-[kám]
 (35) [...] an-ti-[´]i-ku-su dumu-šú lugal.meš
- L.e. un-^{qa} ^{1d}60-din-i^š [un-qa ...]
 R.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-mu-nu ^{1ú}na-din [´]ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš un-qa ^{1ina-qí-bit}-^d60 ^{1ú}mu-[mar]-ri-q[a-nu ...]
 B.e. [un-qa] ^{1ri-hat}-^éinanna [un-qa] ^{1d}60-[din]-su-e [´]un-^{qa} ^{1d}na-na-a-mu [´]un-^{qa} ...]-^d60
 U.e. un-q[a] ^{1d}60-[´][...] un-qa ^{1d}60-šes.meš-mu un-qa ^{1bár}-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-[´]din-[s]u-e

Dossier. District of the Emihallake temple; no clan affiliation

Translation. Anu-ittannu/Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu/EZ voluntarily sold to Mattanîtu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši, for the full price of ... refined (silver), his undeveloped lot, (in the) district of the Mihallake temple within Uruk: 43 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining ... and the passageway of Mattanîtu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši, the buyers of this undeveloped plot; 43 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the undeveloped plot of ...-Anu and adjoining the alley of Mattanîtu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši; 10 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Anu-balâssu-iqbi/...; 10 cubits, the lower short side, to the west, adjoining the narrow street ... Ištar canal ... this undeveloped plot, 43 cubits the long (sides) 10 cubits the short (sides), measurement of this undeveloped plot, this undeveloped plot, as much as it is, all of it, in perpetuity.

The silver: ... full (price) of this undeveloped plot, Anu-ittannu/Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu received (from the hands of Mattanîtu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu)/sons of Lâbâši; he is paid. (Should a claim) arise (with regard to) this undeveloped plot, (Ina-qibî-Anu/Mukîn-apli/

Tattannu)//EZ will clear it and 12-fold will give it to (Mattanītu-Anu) and Anu-ahu-ittannu, forever: Anu-ittannu, the seller, son of Lâbâši-Anu and Ina-qibīt-Anu/Mukīn-apli, the sons of Tattannu, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this undeveloped plot, to the advantage of Mattanītu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši, forever. This undeveloped plot belongs to Mattanītu-Anu and Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši/Nabû-uballit, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3=684f: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah
 W2=B.e.2/U.e.4=lost/684h: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Šamaš-ētir//LA
 W3=B.e.1=684c: Rihat-lštar/Dumqi-Anu//LA
 W4=U.e.2/?=684j/? : Anu-ahu or Anu-ahhē-.../Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah
 W5=U.e.2/?=684j/? : Anu-ahu or Anu-ahhē-.../Lâbâši/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah
 W6=L.e.1=684g: Anu-uballit/...-ušur//K
 W7=B.e.4²=684e: Arad-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//LA?
 W8=B.e.2/U.e.4=lost/684h: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ina-qibīt-Anu//...
 W9=U.e.3²=lost: (Kidin²)-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin/Kidin-Anu//GA²
 W10=?=? : .../...-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin

Witnesses from edges:

W?=U.e.1=684d: Anu-...(?)
 W?=L.e.2=684i= ?

Scribe: ...//EZ. Uruk, Addaru, day 10, ... Antiochus his son, kings

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=684b: Anu-ittannu/Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ
 Buyer1=N/S-neighbour2: Mattanītu-Anu/Lâbâši/Nabû-uballit (? and alley)
 Buyer2=N/S-neighbour2: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši/Nabû-uballit (? and alley)
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=684a: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Mukīn-apli/Tattannu//EZ
 N-neighbour1: ?
 S-neighbour1: ...-Anu (undeveloped plot)
 W-neighbour: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/... (house)
 E-neighbour: narrow street ... lštar canal

Commentary. Since silver *qalû* is mentioned but no reference to staters is included in the price formula it seems likely that the text dates to the co-regency of Antiochus III and his son.⁹⁹

The name Mattanītu-Anu is not much attested in the documents from Seleucid Uruk; this is the only reference known to me of the son of Lâbâši. The few other occurrences of the name all refer to individuals with different patronyms (Mattanītu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Rihat-Anu, the sailor: BRM 2 20; Mattanāt-Anu, the sailor, no patronym: YOS 20 68; Mattanāt-Anu/Atī-Anu: BRM 2 26 and YOS 20 31; Mattanātu-Anu/‘Antu-banāt, the clay worker: BiMes 24 27//29); all have no clan names, so that apparently the name was not used by members of the traditional families of the city; in a number of cases, they are identified by means of a professional designation.

The Emihallake temple district is only referred to in Uruk in a few documents: YOS 20 68; BRM 2 20; VS 15 25, 35 and 43. It is particularly interesting that in two of them also individuals named Mattanāt-Anu occur.

With the exception of the present document and VS 15 35, the small dossier recording properties located in the district of the Emihal-lake temple is apparently often connected to individuals who are identified by means of a professional designation and that do not belong to the traditional families of the city of Uruk. The significance of this dossier in the context of the Urukian corpus dated to the Seleucid period is explored elsewhere.¹⁰⁰

The tablet's format belongs to type 4a, compact: however an attempt to tabulate some of the names can be noted in the WL. Mitchell, Searight 2008, 684g L2 corresponds on the tablet to L.e.1 and 684i L1 corresponds to L.e.2.

⁹⁹ All other possibilities (see Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 209) can thus be discarded.

¹⁰⁰ Corò, forthcoming.

No. 82-P. Plate LXXXII

Museum no.: BM 109949 (1914-4-4, 15)

Size: 8.6×10.5×2.7 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact?

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (102-119).X.20, Antiochus III and Anthiocus; silver *qalû*, staters of Antiochus, g.q.

Date BC: (210-192)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 188-190. Pearce, HBTIN, P342282 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #681 and p. 253, #11. Pearce 2010, pp. 316 and 323

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend, *ērib bītūtu* of Anu

Dossier. Lâbâši-Bēlessunu (wife of AU/AZI/EZ); women

Witnesses:

W?: ... Lâbâši/

W?: ... -Anu[?]/Nanāya-iddin

W?=B.e.2=681a: Dannat-Bēlti/Anu-ahhē-iddin

W?: ...//LA

W?=U.e.2=681j: Nidinti-Anu/...

W?=U.e.1/B.e.1=681i/681h: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nanāya-iddin//Ebabbar-šumu-ibni

Witnesses from the edges:

U.e.3=681e: Anu-abu-ušur

U.e.4=681f: Anu-mukîn-apli

B.e.3=681b: Anu-uballit

L.e.1=681h: [Ša-An]u-iššû

B.e.4=681c: Nidinti-Anu

Scribe: ...-ittannu//EZ

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=681d: Anu-balässu-iqbi/Šamaš-ētir/Kidin-Anu//LA

Buyer: Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H W of Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=681g: Ana-rabûti-Anu/ Šamaš-ētir/Kidin-Anu//LA

Translation. See HANE/M 8, pp. 189-190

Commentary. The tablet belongs to the dossier of the Lâbâši family. 'Bēlessunu appears as the buyer: this allows dating the document to the period SE 102-119. The suggested date in Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 208 thus needs to be corrected.

For the documents concerning the activities of 'Bēlessunu at Seleucid Uruk see Doty 1977, pp. 224-226; McEwan 1984, pp. 118-119, HANE/M 8, pp. 99-100 and Corò 2005b, pp. 85-86. Besides the present contract 'Bēlessunu appears as buyer in the following documents belonging to the BM collection: **Nos. 71-P, 77-P, 78-P, 83-P, 85-P.**

For the Aramaic notations on the seal impression of #681i see Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 253, #11 and Pearce 2010, p. 316 and p. 323

No. 83-P. Plate LXXXIII

Museum no.: BM 105174 (1913-4-16, 6)
 Size: 8.9×10.2×2.7 (M)
 Format: n-a
 Place: Uruk
 Date: (approx. SE 106-119.x.x, Antiochus III [and Antiochus?])
 Date B.C.: (206-192.x.x ca.)
 Bibl.: HANE/M 8, p. 330; Pearce, HBTIN, P342297 (collations)
 Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #766
 Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši-Bēlessunu (wife of AU/AZI//EZ); women

Witnesses from the edges:
 W?: U.e.1=766e: Mukīn-apli
 W?: B.e.2=766b: [...]Anu¹⁰¹
 W?: B.e.3=lost: Anu-uballiṭ
 W?: L.e.1=766f: Anu-uballiṭ
 W?: L.e.2=766d: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 W?: B.e.1=766a: lost
 W?: U.e.3=766c: lost

Seller=clearer=lost: Ubar/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Dumqī-Anu//H
 Buyer: Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H W of Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Commentary. The document belongs to the Lâbâši family dossier and records Belēssunu as the buyer: we can therefore ascribe it approximately to the period SE 106-119 (= 206-192 BC ca.), when she was active in Seleucid Uruk.¹⁰² See, e.g., the commentary to **No. 82-P** for more bibliographical details on the activities of Belēssunu.
 Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, 766f (L2) =L.e.1 and 766d (L1)=L.e.2, respectively, on the tablet.
 The reverse of the tablet is lost, so that the format type cannot be determined.

101 Collation Pearce, HBTIN.

102 The date range offered by Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 237, who include it among the Hellenistic tablets 'not precisely dated (304-64 BC), can therefore be restricted to 206-192 BC.

No. 84-P. Plate LXXXIV

Museum no.: BM 105192 (1913-4-16, 24)

Size: 8.2×9.9×2⁺ (S)

Format: n-a

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (approx. 99-125.x.x), staters of Antiochus, g.q.

Date BC: (approx. 213-187.x.x)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #771

Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭābihūtu* prebend

- Obv. [^{1d}na]-na-a-mu dumu šá ^{1d}utu-mu a šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá ¹man-nu-i-qa`-pu a ¹[kur-i]
 [ina] hu-ud lib-bi-šú 15-'-ú ù 2-ta šu-ii ina 60-'-ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.21.kám
 'ù' ud.22.kám giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1u}gír.lá-ú-tú igi ^{1d}60 an-tu₄ ^{1d}en.líl ^{1d}be
^{1d}30 ^{1d}utu ^{1d}iškur ^{1d}amar.utu ^{1d}pap.sukkal ^{1d}inanna ^{1d}na-na-'a' ^{1d}gašan edin ^{1d}ga[šán ^{1d}ésag]
 (5) ^{1d}šar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-[s]u kal mu.an.na
 [gu]-uq-qa-né-e èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi šá ta ud.1.[kám] en ud.'30.kám`
 [ma]-a-la giš.šub.ba ^{1u}gír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš ik-'kaš-ši-du' šá ki 'šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.'[la.meš-šú]
 u ki ¹na-na-a-mu ^{1u}ma-hi-ra-nu a-na 15 'gín' [kù.babbar is]-'ta'-tir-ra-nu šá ¹an-ti-'-i-ku-su
 bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šá[m til.meš] a-na ¹na-na-a-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu
 (10) a šá ¹nu.tés 'a ¹é-kur-za-kir' a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄
 15 gín 'šám giš.šub.ba' mu.meš til.meš ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ^{1d}utu-mu
 [ina šu]-ii ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi
 giš.šub.ba mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu a šá ¹bár-^{1d}60 a šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš
 a šá ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu a ¹kur-i ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ¹na-na-a-m[u]
 (15) a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba
 Rev. (lost)
- L.e. [un-qa] ^{1d}60-[...] (rest lost)
 R.e. lost
 B.e. un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...] un-qa [...]
 U.e. lost

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandson (NI/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. Nanāya-iddin/Šamaš-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur/Mannu-iqabbu//K voluntarily sold to Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ 1/15 and 2/3 in 1/60 of a day on day 21 and 22, his butcher's prebend before Anu, Antu, Enlil, Ea, Sin, Šamaš, Adad, Marduk, Papsukkal, Ištar, Nanāya, Bēlet-šēri, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešû* offerings and whatever pertains to all of that butcher's prebend, from day 1 till day 30, which is with his brothers and his co-owners and with Nanāya-iddin, the buyer, for 15 š of silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 15 š, full price of that prebend, Nanāya-iddin/Šamaš-iddin received from the hands of Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that prebend, Mannu-iqabbu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Mannu-iqabbu//K will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Nanāya-iddin, forever. (Nanāya-iddin/Šamaš-iddin, the seller and Mannu-iqabbu/Kidin-Anu) mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of (that) prebend ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.1=Anu- [...]

W?=B.e.1=771d: lost

W?=B.e.2=771b: lost

W?=B.e.3=771a: lost

W?=B.e.4=771c: lost

Seller=co-guarantor1(?)=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Šamaš-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur/Mannu-iqabbu//K

Clearer=co-guarantor2=lost: Mannu-iqabbu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Mannu-iqabbu//K

Buyer: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Commentary. The document belongs to the dossier of the Lâbâši family and features one of Lâbâši's grandsons as the buyer. It is the only tablet recording Nanāya-iddin acting as buyer in a contract without his younger brother Anu-uballit. As noted above, the BM collection offers substantial evidence for the activities of these two individuals, and in particular adds significantly to our knowledge of Nanāya-iddin's role in the family (for the documents in the collection concerning the two brothers see **Nos. 68-P, 70-P, 76-P, 89-P**).¹⁰³ The reverse of the tablet is lost, so that the format type cannot be determined. Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #771e L3 corresponds to L.e.1 on the tablet. The seal impression of #771a corresponds to 676a and it is thus likely that it belongs to Nanāya-iddin/Dannât-Bēlti//LA. Unsurprisingly, the seal is impressed on the edge of **No. 79-RE**, a contract where Nanāya-iddin's brother, Anu-uballit appears as seller.

103 At the time of Doty's analysis of the dossier of the Lâbâši family, in fact, Nanāya-iddin was only recorded in one document (VDI 1955/4, no. 7): Doty 1977, pp. 225-226. A full re-examination of the dossier of the Lâbâši family is currently in preparation by the present author (see Corò, *Ekur-zākirs*, forthcoming).

No. 85-P. Plate LXXXV

Museum no.: BM 105188 (1913-4-16, 20)

Size: 11.4×4×2.7 (L)

Format: type 2^a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (approx. 106-119.x.x); silver *qalû*, staters of Antiochus, g.q.

Date BC: (approx. 206-192.x.x)

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 387-389; Pearce, HBTIN, P388065 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #770

Description (type of transaction): sale of multiple prebends

Dossier. Lâbâši-Bēlessunu (wife of AU/AZI//EZ); women

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.1=770e: Kidin-Anu

W?=U.e.2=770b: Anu-ikšur?

W?=L.e.1=lost: Anu-uballit

W?=L.e.2=770a: Anu-uballissu

W?=L.e.3=770c: Anu-ahu-ittannu

Seller=lost=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir/Kidin-Anu//[LA]

Buyer: 'Bēlessunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H W of Anu-uballit/[Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ]

Commentary. The tablet is edited in HANE/M 8, pp. 387-389. It belongs to the dossier of the Lâbâši family and features 'Bēlessunu as buyer. It can thus be dated to approximately SE 106-119, when 'Bēlessunu is active in Seleucid Uruk. With the present tablet, she buys a portfolio of prebends (see HANE/M 8, pp. 99-100 and Corò 2005b, pp. 85-86) and the commentary to **Nos. 82-P** and **83-P**, above.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #770c labelled L1 is actually L.e.3 on the tablet. The text on the left edge of this tablet runs upside down compared with the usual direction.

Note that the individual who sells 'Bēlessunu the portfolio recorded in the present contract is probably to be identified with the brother of the Anu-balāssu-iqbi who sells her a share in the temple-enterer's prebend of Anu in **No. 82-P**.

No. 86-RE. Plate LXXXVI

Museum no.: BM 114409 (1920-6-15, 5)

Size: 9.5×10.8×2.5 (M)

Format: type 1a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 120.V.13, Antiochus III; silver *qalû*, staters of (Antiochus) g.q.

Date BC: 192.VIII.15

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bīt ritti makkūr Anu*, district of the Adad temple. NSWE

- Obv. ¹60-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹su-mut-tu₄-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹ana-gal-^d60 ina hu-ud-lib-[bi-šú] é rit-ti-šú níg.ga ^d60 ki-ti é ^diškur *šá* *qé-reb* unug^{ki}[uš an-ú] ^{imsi}.sá da é *erasure* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ u *šeš.meš-šú* dumu.meš *šá* ⁱ[l²-...] dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-su a ^{1d}30-ti-ér uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu da [...]
- (5) ¹ha-na-a dumu.munus *šá* ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1u}ir é.gal dam ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{1u}[nagar] dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é dumu *šá* ^{1d}[...] dumu *šá* ¹ana-gal-ka-^d60 a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.r[a] da mu-šu-ú *šá* é ¹ha-na-a dumu.munus *šá* ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1u}ir é.[gal] [d]am ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{1u}nagar u da mu-šu-ú *šá* é mu.meš a-[...]
- (10) *mu-taq-qa* un.meš šu.nigin uš.meš u [sag].¹ki¹.meš *mi-ših-tu*₄'^é' [mu.meš] é mu.meš *i-ši* u *ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu gab*[bi] *a-na* 1/2 ma.na kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu* *šá* ¹[an-ti-'-i-ku-su] *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na* šám til.meš *a-na* ^{1d}60-[šeš-mu-nu dumu *šá*] ¹'¹ki-din a ¹é-kur-za-kir *a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tú it-ta-din* kù.babbar ¹a₄' [1/2] ma.na šám é mu.meš *gam-ru* ^{1d}60-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹su-mut-tu₄-[^d60] *ina* šu-ii ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹ki-din *ma-hir e-tir* u₄-mu *pa-qa-ru a-na muh-hi* é mu.meš *it-ta*[b]-¹šu-ú ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú a ¹é-[kur-za-kir u ^{1d}60-šeš'-[mu (?)] *a-di* 12-ta.àm [a]-na ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu [...] ¹i-nam-din
- Rev. *pu-ú-út a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ur-qu* *šá* é mu.meš ^{1r}60¹-mu-nu ^{1u}na-[din] é mu.meš <<a-na>> u ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 *mu-ur-qu-an* é mu.meš *a-na* <<a-na>> ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹ki-din *a-na* u₄.mu *ša-a-t*[ú] *na-šu-ú* é mu.meš *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹ki-din dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-[...] a ¹é-kur-za-kir *a-na* [u₄]₁.mu *ša-a-tú* šu-ú ^{1u}m[u-k]₁in₇.¹man-nu-qí-i-qa-pu dumu *šá* ¹bár²-[...] (25) ¹man-nu-ki-i-qa-pu dumu *šá* ¹ta-nit-[tu₄-^d60...] x x [...] ¹ki-din-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹mu-a dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-¹numun²-mu?' a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú] ^{1d}60-[numun]-¹mu' dumu *šá* ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú] [...^{1d}60]0-iš-šu-ú dumu *šá* ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-[ú] [PN dumu *šá* ^{1d}60]-¹šeš'-mu-nu dumu *šá* ¹ú-bar a ¹mu.meš (30) ^{1r}ni-din-tu₄-^d60(?)¹ dumu *šá* ¹šá-^d60-iš-šu-ú a ¹é.babbar-ri-mu-dù ¹il-lut-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ^{1u}gal ugula² *hùp-pu*.meš (blank) ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni ^{1u}šid ^{1u}gal mah ^d60 dumu *šá* ¹ni-din-tu₄-[^d60 a ^{1d}30]-ti-ér unug^{ki}it^{ine} ud.13.kám mu.120.kám ¹an-ti-'-[i-ku-su lu]gal
- L.e. ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 *un-qa* ¹il-lut-^d60
R.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}60-mu-nu [^{1u}na-din]-*na-an* é [mu.meš] [*un-qa* ¹ina]-qí-bit-^d60 [^{1u}mu]-*mar-raq-an* é mu.meš
B.e. *un-qa* ¹bár-^d60 *un-[qa]* ¹ki-din-^d60 [*un-qa*] ¹man-nu-[k¹]-i-qa-pu
U.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu *un-qa* ¹ú-šur-šú-^d60 *un-qa* ^{1d}60-numun-mu

Dossier. Professions, no clan names. Scribe chief singer of dirges

Translation. Anu-ittannu/Sumuttu-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu voluntarily sold to Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin//EZ, for the full price of 1/2 m of refined silver, in g.q. staters of Antiochus, his *bīt ritti*, property of Anu, in the district of the Adad temple, within Uruk, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of Anu-uballit and his brothers, the sons of .../Anu-uballissu//SLU; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the alley of ¹Hannā/Ina-qibīt-Anu, the *arad ekalli*, wife of Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the carpenter; the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of the son of .../Ana-rabûtika-Anu//Ah; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the alley of the house of ¹Hannā/Ina-qibīt-Anu, the master builder, wife of Ana-rabûti-Anu, the carpenter and adjoining the alley of this house ... thoroughfare of the people. In total: the long and short sides, measurement of this house, this house as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver: 1/2 m, full price of this house, Anu-ittannu/Sumuttu-Anu received from the hands of Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ and Anu-ahu-iddin (?) will give it 12-fold to

Anu-ahu-ittannu Anu-ittannu, the seller of this house <<to>> and Ina-qibīt-Anu, the guarantor of this house, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house to the advantage of <<to the advantage of>> Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin, forever. This house belongs to Anu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-ah.../EZ, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3: Mannu-ki-iqabbu/?

W2=B.e.3: Mannu-ki-iqabbu/Tanittu-Anu ...

W3=B.e.1/B.e.2: Kidin-Anu/Šumiya/Anu-zēru-iddin//Ah

W4=U.e.3: Anu-zēru-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin//Ah

W5=?: .../Ša-Anu-iššû/Tanitti-Anu//H

W6=?: .../Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ubar//Šumāti

W7=L.e.1: Nidinti-Anu(?)/Ša-Anu-iššû/Ebabbar-šumu-ibni

W8=L.e.2: Illūt-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu, chief superintendant of the dancers

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.2: Ušuršu-Anu

Scribe: Anu-iqīšanni/Nidinti-Anu//SLU, chief singer of dirges of Anu

Seller=R.e.1: Anu-ittannu/Sumuttu-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu

Buyer: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin//EZ

Clearer=R.e.2: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//EZ

N-neighbour1+2: Anu-uballit and his brothers.../Anu-uballissu//SLU (house)

S-neighbour=E-neighbour: 'Hannā/Ina-qibīt-Anu, the master builder, W Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the carpenter (lost; house+alley)

W-neighbour: the son of .../Ana-rabûtika-Anu//Ah (house)

Commentary. The tablet belongs to the dossier of Anu-iqīšanni, the only scribe in Uruk economic tablets who boasts the title of chief singer of dirges of Anu in the tablet he wrote: the dossier has extensively been studied in Corò 2015 (publ. 2016).

As shown there, a number of peculiar spellings characterise the documents he wrote. Those used in this contract are listed below.

Obv. 15, *gam-ru*: this spelling is used only in three more tablets (BRM 2 55, *Babyloniaca* 8, 27//VS 15 12)

Obv. 16, *pa-qa-ru*: anomalous spelling, hapax.

Rev. 20, *mu-ur-qu*: anomalous spelling, typical of the scribe (*Babyloniaca* 8, 27//VS 15 12; BRM 2 32 and 35; VS 15 39//40//49)

Rev. 24, *'man-nu-ki-i-qa-pu*: mistake for the name of Mannu-iqabbu? Apparently only used here.

Rev. 30, *'é.babbar-ri-mu-dù*: unusual spelling for *'é.babbar.ra-mu-dù*.

The WL is not tabulated, however the name of each witness occupies a single line. Only one seal impression is captioned Mannu-qi-iqabbu, while two witnesses bearing this name are listed in the WL. Since no individual named Ušuršu-Anu is mentioned in the WL, is it possible that this is the alias of one of the Mannuqi-iqabbus?

Date formula: Anu-iqīšanni is also the scribe of AoF 5 13, a very small fragment of a tablet written exactly ten days before the present one.

No. 87-P. Plate LXXXVII

Museum no.: BM 109955 (1914-4-4, 21)//BM 109958

Size: 7.9×8.7×3.6 (S)

Format: type 2b, compact (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 120.VII.24, Antiochus III; silver *qalû*, stators of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 192.X.04

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #730

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

- Obv. ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ina hu-^uud lib-bi-^ušú
sa-ma-nu-ú *šá* u₄-mu ina ud.3.kám giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1d}gìr.si.ga-ú-tú
igi ⁴60 an-tu₄ ⁴pap.sukkal ⁴inanna ⁴gašan.edin ⁴na-na-a ⁴gašan *šá* sag ⁴šar-[ra-hi-i-tu₄]
u dingir.meš é.meš-šú-nu gab-bi *šá* iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-ne-^e
- (5) ud.èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi *šá* ana sa-ma-nu-ú giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.si.ga-[ú-tú mu.meš]
ik-kaš-ši-^u *šá* ki šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi a-na 10 gín kù.[babbar]
qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu *šá* ¹an-ti-^ui-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-t[ú]
a-na šám til.meš a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu *šá* ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60]
a ¹hun-zu-ú a-na u₄-mu *ša*-[a] it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 10 gín šám
- (10) giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš [^{1d}60]-ad-šeš ina šu-ii ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 ma-hir e-^{ti}r
<<ina>> u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi sa-ma-nu-ú ina ud.3.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.si.ga-ú-tú
it-tab-šú-ú ¹dum-qí-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-i^{ti} dumu *šá* ¹na-na-a-mu a ¹hun-[zu-ú]
ú-mar-ra-q-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ¹níg.sum`.mu-^d60 a-na u₄-mu *ša*-a-t[ú]
¹ina-an-din pu-^uut a[-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-q]u *šá* giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.si.g[a-ú-tú mu.meš]
- Rev. ¹60-ad-šeš ^{1d}na-din ¹giš.šub.ba mu`.meš ^u ¹dum-qí-^d60 [dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-din-i^{ti}]
a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a-na u₄-mu *ša*-a-tú na-šú-ú sa-ma-nu-ú *šá* u₄-mu
ina ud.3.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.si.ga-ú-tú mu.meš *šá* ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 dumu
¹šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu *šá* ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú a-na u₄-mu *ša*-a-tú šu-^uú
[^{1d}mu]-^ukin,^u ¹bár-^d60 dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹šeš-^uú-tú
- (20) ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu x dumu *šá* ¹60-du-a <sup>[dumu *šá* ^{1d}60]-šeš`.meš-mu a ¹šeš-^uú-tú
¹du-a dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu [dumu *šá*...]-tu₄-^d60 a ¹šeš-^uú-tú
^{1d}utu-mu-nu [du]mu *šá* ^{1d}utu-sur [dumu] *šá* ¹[...] a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^{di}škur
¹šeš-šú-^d60 [dumu *šá* ¹60-ad-šeš dumu *šá* ¹mu-a] a ¹šeš-^uú-tú
¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú [dumu *šá* ¹na-din] a ¹é-kur-za-kir
¹gi-^d60 u ¹níg.sum`.mu-^d60 dumu`.meš [šá ¹]ina-qí-bit-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹[...]x` a.meš ¹[...]</sup>
- (25) ¹60-dumu-mu-nu xx u[mu *šá* ¹ina-qí]-bit-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60] a ¹[...]
¹il-lut-^d60 [dumu *šá* ¹ina-qí-b]it-^d60 a ¹hun²-[...]
^{1d}utu-sur ^{1d}umbisag d[umu *šá* ¹ina-qí-bit]-^d60 dumu *šá* ¹šib-qát-^d60 [a ¹]é-kur-za-^u[kir]
unug^{ki}it^udu₆ ud.2'4'.[kám mu].¹20.kám [¹an-ti-^ui-ku-su lugal]
- L.e. un-qa ¹du-a un-qa ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu
R.e. ¹un-qa ^{1d}60-ad-šeš [^{1d}na-din giš.šub.ba mu].^umeš un-qa ¹dum-qí-^d60 ^{1d}mu-^u[ru-raq-an-ni giš.š]ub.^uba mu.meš
B.e. [un-qa] ¹šeš-šú-^d60 [un-qa] ¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú un-qa ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60] un-qa ¹il-lut-^d60
U.e. un-qa ¹gi-^d60 un-qa ¹bár-^d60 un-q[a] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu ¹un-^u[qa] ^{1d}utu-mu-nu

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēšunu//EZ voluntarily sold to Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H one-eighth of a day, on day 3, his *gerseqqûtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* days and whatever pertains to one-eighth of that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, which is with his brothers and his co-owners for 10 š of pure silver, g.q. stators of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, 10 š, full price of that prebend, Anu-abu-ušur received from the hands of Nidinti-Anu; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to one-eighth on day 3, that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//H will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Nidinti-Anu, forever. Anu-abu-ušur, the seller of that prebend, and Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of that *gerseqqûtu* prebend to the advantage of Nidinti-Anu, in perpetuity. One-eighth of a day, on day 3, that *gerseqqûtu* prebend, belongs to Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=770b: Kidin-Anu/Anu-bēšunu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W2=U.e.3=770e: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W3=L.e.1=770g: Mukīn-apli/Anu-bēšunu//...tu-Anu//Ah

W4=U.e.4=730a: Šamaš-ittannu/Šamaš-ētir/...//LA

W5=B.e.1=lost: Ušuršu-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Šumiya//Ah
 W6=[B.e.2]=lost: Ša-Anu-iššû/Nadin//EZ
 W7=U.e.1=770c: Mušallim-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu/...//...
 W8=B.e.3=770h: Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu/...//...
 W9=L.e.2=770d: Anu-māru-ittannu/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//...
 W10=B.e.4=lost: Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//...

Scribe: Šamaš-ētir/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šibqat-Anu//EZ. Uruk. Tašrītu, day 24, year 120, Antiochus, the king

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=770i: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ

Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=770f: Dumqi-Anu/Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//H

Commentary. The tablet records the purchase of a prebend of temple attendant for day 3 by Nidinti-Anu. At present it is not possible to attach it to any specific dossier.

Scribe of the tablet is Šamaš-ētir/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šibqat-Anu//EZ, who is also the scribe of VS 15 32 and CM 12 6. Since in those two documents he chooses ^dšar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ among the different spellings for the name of the goddess, the same spelling is used to restore the lacuna in Obv. 3 here.

A few fragments are associated with this tablet; only a small one among them bears traces of a sign, maybe to be read 'IŠKUR²⁷' (no photograph for the fragment is provided in Plate LXXXVII). The tablet format is type 2; however a half-line blank stands between the end of the contract and the WL. In addition, this is only partially and irregularly tabulated.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #770d (L2) and 770g (L1) actually correspond to L.e.1 and L.e.2.

No. 88-P. Plate LXXXVIII

Museum no.: BM 109958 (1914-4-4,24)//BM 109955

Size: 7.6×8.9×3.5 (S)

Format: n-a (reverse lost)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (120.VII.04, Antiochus III); silver *qalû*, (staters of Antiochus g.q.)

Date BC: 192.X.04

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *gerseqqûtu* prebend

- Obv. ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir ina h[u-ud] lib-bi-šú
 sa-ma-nu-ú šá u₄-mu ina ud. 3.kám giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1d}gìr.sì.ga-ú-tú 'igi' [^d60]
 an-tu₄ ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^d[gašan edin ^dna-na-a] ^dgašan šá sag ^dšar-[ra-hi-tu₄]
 u dingir.meš é.meš-šú-nu g[ab-bi šá iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-ne-e ud.èš.èš.meš]
 (5) u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-n[a sa-ma-nu-ú giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.sì.ga-ú-tú mu.meš]
 ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki [šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi a-na 10 gín kù.bab]bar
 qa-lu-ú is-ta-ti[r-ra-nu šá 'an-ti-'-i-ku-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú]
 a-na šám til.meš a-[na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš dumu šá ¹níg.sum.mu]-^d60
 a 'hun-zu-ú a-na u₄-mu 'ša'-[a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 10 gín]'šám
 (10) giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš ^{1d}60-ad-š[eš ina šu-ii ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60] 'ma-hir' e-ṭìr
 u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi sa-ma-nu-ú ina ud.3.kám giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.sì.ga-ú-tú
 it-tab-šú-ú 'dum-qí-^d60 dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ dumu šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu
 a 'hun-zu-ú ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a-na ud ša-a-tú
 i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-qu šá giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gìr.sì.ga-ú-tú
 Rev. (lost)

L.e. 'un-qa' ¹[du-a] 'un-qa' [^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu]R.e. [un]-qa ^{1d}60-a[d-šeš] ^{1d}na-din giš.šub.ba mu.meš [un-qa ¹dum-qí-^d60] ^{1d}mu-ru-raq-an-ni giš.šub.ba mu.me[š]B.e. [un]-'qa' [¹šeš-šú-^d60] 'un-qa' [¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú] un-qa [¹níg.sum.mu-^d60] un-qa [¹il-lut-^d60]U.e. [un-qa] ¹gi-^d60 [un-qa] ¹bár-^d60 [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu [un-qa] ^{1d}utu-mu-nu

Dossier. n-a

Translation. See No. 87-P, above.

Seller=(co-guarantor1)=R.e.1: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu//EZ

Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//H

Clearer=(co-guarantor2)=R.e.2: Dumqī-Anu/Anu-uballit/Nanāya-iddin//H

Commentary. The tablet is the duplicate of No. 87-P. Both the tablet and its duplicate are small: however, since the reverse of No. 88-P is lost it is impossible to say if it featured the same layout as the duplicate tablet. It is unclear if a nail mark is visible between the two seal impressions on the right edge of this tablet, or if it is a simple scratch. No trace of anything similar appears on the right edge of the duplicate tablet.

Obv. 1 and 11: end of line spilling onto the right edge.

Obv. 13: note the logographic variant ud ša-a-tú for u₄-mu ša-a-tú. Not used in the duplicate.

No. 89-P. Plate LXXXIX

Museum no.: BM 105187 (1913-4-16, 19)

Size: 8.9^x x 8.6²x 3.2 (S?)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: [Uruk]

Date SE: (approx. 99-125.x.x), staters of Antiochus, *qalû* and g.q.

Date BC: (approx. 213-187.x.x)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of multiple prebends: *ërib bitûtu* of Enlil and *sirâšûtu*

- Obv. [1^dutu-mu-nu a šá 1^d60-ad-šeš] ¹ina hu ¹[ud]
 [lîb-bi-šû x-x-x]-¹ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.15¹.k[ám giš.šub.ba-šû 1⁰ku₄ é-ú-t]ú igi ^den.[lîl]
 [é-a ^d30 ^dutu] ^diškur ^damar.utu ^dr¹na¹-[na-a ^dgašan sag ù dingir.m]eš é-šú-n[u gab]-bi
 [si-in-ze-r]u-ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.1.kám [ud.2.kám ud.3.kám ud.4.kám] ¹ud.5¹.kám
 (5) [ù ud.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám ud.19.¹kám ù mi-šil¹ ina [ud.20.kám pap ši-in-ze]-¹ri¹-ú
 [šá u₄]-mu ina u₄-mu.meš mu.meš giš.šub.ba-šû 1⁰lunga-ú¹-tú igi ^d60
 [an-tu₄ en.lîl ^d]é-a ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan edin ^dr¹na-na-a¹ ^dgašan šá é gag
 [ù dingir.meš é-šú-n]u gab-bi giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš gab-bi šá iti-us-su kal mu.an.na
 [gu-uq-qa-ne]-¹é¹ ud.èš.èš.meš ù mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš
 (10) [ik-kaš-ši-du šá k]i 1⁰šeš.meš-šú ù 1⁰en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi a-na
 [x gín kù.babbar qa-l]u-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá 1⁰an-ti¹-i-ku-su bab-ba¹-nu¹-ú-tú
 [1^dutu-mu-nu a šá 1^d60-ad-šeš]š a-na 1^dna-na-a-mu u 1^d60-din-iṭ a.meš šá ^md60-numun-mu a šá
 [1⁰la-ba-ši a].meš 1⁰é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din
 [kù.babbar a₄ x] gín sám giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš til.meš 1^dutu-mu-nu ina šu-ii
 (15) [1^dna-na-a-m]u u 1^d60-din-iṭ ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi
 [giš.šub.ba 1⁰]ku₄ é-ú-tú u 1⁰lunga-ú-tú mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú 1^d60-gi a-šú
 Rev. [ú-mar-raq-ma a-d]i 12-ta.àm a-na 1^dna-na¹-a-mu u 1^d60-din-iṭ a.meš šá
 [^md60-numun-mu a-n]a u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ur-ru-qu
 [giš.šub.ba.meš m]u.meš 1^dutu-mu-nu 1⁰na-din-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš a šá 1^d60-ad-šeš ù
 [1^d60-gi a-šú] a-na 1^dna-na¹⁰⁴-a-mu u 1^d60-din-iṭ a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú
 [x-x-x]-¹ú¹ šá u₄-mu ina ud.15.kám giš.šub.ba 1⁰ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš ù
 [ši-in-ze-ru]-¹ú¹ šá 1-en u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.1.kám ud.2.kám ud.3.kám ud.4.kám ud.5.kám
 [ù u]d.16.kám ud.17.kám ud.18.kám ud.19.kám ù ina mi-šil ina ud.20.kám
 [giš.šub.ba 1⁰]un]ga-ú-tú mu.meš šá 1^dna-na-a-mu u ^md60-din-iṭ a.meš šá
 (25) [1^d60-numun-mu a šá 1⁰la]-¹ba-ši¹a.meš 1⁰é-kur-za-kir a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu
 [1⁰mu-kin₇] 1^d60-du-a 1^d60-din-iṭ a šá 1⁰nu.téš.^d60 ù
 []-mu a.meš 1⁰é-kur-za-kir 1⁰ana-gal.^d60 a ša 1^d60-ad-šeš
 []¹d60-šeš¹-mu a šá 1^d60-din¹- [iṭ¹ a 1⁰lu]-¹uš-tam¹-mar.^diškur
 (approx. 3 lines lost)
- L.e. (lost)
 R.e. un-qa 1^dutu-mu-nu [1⁰]na-din-na un-qa 1^d60-gi a-šú 1⁰mu-mar-raq-an-na
 B.e. [...] un-qa 1^d60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa 1^d60-din-su-e un-qa 1^d60-din-su-e
 U.e. (lost)

Dossier. Lâbâši's grandsons (NI/AZI/L//EZ and AU/AZI/L//EZ)

Translation. Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//... (voluntarily) sold to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ xth of a day, on day 15, his *ërib bitûtu* prebend before Enlil, Ea, Šamas, Adad, Marduk, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, one-twelfth of a day on days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and days 16, 17, 18, 19 and one half on day 20, a total of ...th of day on those days, his *sirâšûtu* prebend before Anu, Antu, Enlil, Ea, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš and all the gods of their temple, all those prebends, that are monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* days, and whatever pertains to those prebends, that are with his brothers and all his co-owners, for ... š of pure silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, as the full price. The silver, ... š, full price of those prebends, Šamaš-ittannu has received from the hands of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit. He is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to those *ërib bitûtu* and *sirâšûtu* prebends, Anu-ušallim, his son, will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit, forever. Šamaš-ittannu/anu-abu-ušur, the seller of those prebends, and Anu-ušallim, his son, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of those prebends to the advantage of Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit, in perpetuity. ... of day, on day 15, that *ërib bitûtu* prebend and one twelfth of one day, in one day, on days 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and days 16, 17, 18, 19 and one half on day 20, that *sirâšûtu* prebend belong to Nanāya-iddin and Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ, in perpetuity.

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Witnesses:

W1: Anu-mukīn-apli/Lâbâši-Anu//EZ
 W2: Anu-uballit/Lâbâši-Anu//EZ
 W3: .../...-iddin[?]//EZ
 W4: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-abu-uşur//...
 W5: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-uballit(?)//LA

Witnesses from the edges:

B.e.1: Anu-ahu-ittannu
 B.e.2: Anu-balâssu-iqbi
 B.e.3: Anu-balâssu-iqbi

Scribe: (lost)

Seller: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-uşur//...

Buyer1: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Buyer2: Anu-uballit/Anu-zêru-iddin/Lâbâši//EZ

Clearer: Anu-uşallim/Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-abu-uşur//... (his son)

Commentary. The tablet is not completely preserved; size is an estimate on the basis of the approximate number of missing lines.

The two buyers are the grandsons of Lâbâši: for their activities and the documents belonging to the BM collection where they appear, see the commentaries to **No. 68-P**, **70-P**, **76-P**, **84-P**, above. Other documents mentioning the same two buyers in the corpus from Seleucid Uruk include YOS 20 52 (108 SE), YOS 20 53 (SE 111); VDI 1955/4 7 (99 SE) which now duplicates **No. 68-P**, and OECT 9 50 (SE 125).

Note that the scribe, whose name is lost, writes the sign na with four obliques throughout the tablet.

Obv. 4 and 5: the spelling [š[~]-in-ze-r]u is used as opposed to š[~]-in-ze]-[~]ri[~]-ú.

R.e.: no object specified; obverse and reverse both spilling onto the edge; the PNs stand in the upper register, immediately following the caption *un-qa*, while the indication of the role appears regularly under the seal impression.

Obv. 3, 7-9, 11-12 and 15-16; Rev. 19-20 and 27: writing spills onto the edge.

Kennedy's preliminary transliteration available.

No. 90-P. Plate XC

Museum no.: BM 105182 (1913-4-16, 14)

Size: 8.6×9.8×2.8 (S)

Format: type 3b, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 125-137.x.x, Seleucus IV (?)

Date BC: 187-174.x.x B.C.

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *āšipūtu* prebend

- Obv. ^{1d}60⁻din-su [a šá -mu a] ¹šá⁻ ¹gal-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-b[i-šú]
 30⁻ú ù mi-šil' []-ú ina se-bu-ú šá é ^{1d}utu-sur a šá ^{1d}60-din-[iṭ]
 giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1d}a-ši-pu-ú-tú igi ^d60 an-tu₄ ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan-edin ^dna-na⁻a⁻
^dgašan šá sag ^dšar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su
 (5) kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi šá ana giš.šub.ba
^{1d}a-ši-pu-ú-tú mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ^{1d}šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-[bi]
 a-na 5 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-ku bab-ba-nu-ú-t[ú]
 a-na šám til.meš a-na ¹nu.téš a šá ¹utu-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-mu-nu a ¹šu-^d60
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 5 gín šám giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš
 (10) ^{1d}60-din-su ina šu-ii ¹nu.téš ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na mu[h-hi]
 giš.šub.ba mu.meš it-ta-tab-šu-ú ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá
¹il-lut-^d60 a ¹kur-i ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na¹ ¹nu.téš
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ru-^qu šá giš⁻.šub.[ba]
 mu.meš ^{1d}60-din-su ^{1d}na-din ¹giš⁻.šub.ba mu.meš u ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a-na
 (15) ¹nu.téš a šá ¹dutu⁻mu-nu [a]⁻na u₄-mu ša⁻a⁻tú⁻ na-šu-ú
 (Rev.) [...]

 [...]

 [^{1d}] ¹mu⁻kin₇ ¹níg⁻.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}na⁻[...]

 [¹] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60⁻ [...]

 (20) ¹bár-^d60 a šá ¹il-lut-^d60(?) [...]

^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá ^{1d}na-na⁻a⁻[...] [...]

¹ina-e-^d60 a šá ¹la-qip [...]

¹bár-^d60 šá ^{1d}60⁻x⁻[...] [...]

¹bár-^d60 a šá ¹x⁻[...] [...]

 (25) ¹šá-^d60-iš-⁻šu-ú⁻ ¹a⁻ š[á] ¹[...] [...]

^{1d}60-šá-ba-an-n[i...] [...]

¹níg.sum.mu-lugal [...]

^{1d}utu-sur [...]

 mu.120+[x.kám...]

L.e. [un-qa] ¹bár-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-šá-ba-an-ni

R.e. (lost)

B.e. un-qa [...] ¹un⁻[...] (rest lost)U.e. un-qa [ina]⁻e⁻^d60(?) [un-qa] ¹níg⁻.sum.mu-^d60⁻ [un-qa] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu [un-qa] ¹bár-^d60Dossier. n-a; *āšipūtu* prebend

Translation. Anu-uballissu/.../Rabi-Anu//EZ voluntarily sold to Lâbaši/Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-ittannu//GA 1/30 and one half ... in one seventh of the estate of Šamaš-ēṭir/Anu-uballiṭ, his exorcist's prebend before Anu, Antu, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešû* days and whatever pertains to that *āšipūtu* prebend, which is with his brothers and all his co-owners for 5 š of pure silver, g.q. staters of Seleucus, as the full price, in perpetuity. The silver, 5 š, full price of that prebend, Anu-balāssu received from the hands of Lâbaši; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that prebend, Illūt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Ilūt-Anu//K will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Lâbaši, forever. Anu-uballissu the seller of that prebend, and Illūt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of that prebend to the advantage of Lâbaši/Šamaš-ittannu, in perpetuity. ...

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2: Nidinti-Anu/Na...//...

W2=B.e.?: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//...

W3=L.e.1/U.e.4/?: Kidin-Anu/Ilūt-Anu(?)//...

W4=U.e.3: Anu-ahu-iddin/Nanāya-iddin//...

W5=U.e.1?: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Lāqip//...

W6=L.e.1/U.e.4/?: Kidin-Anu/Anu-...//...

W7=L.e.1/U.e.4/?: Kidin-Anu/...//...

W8=B.e.?: Ša-Anu-iššû/...//...

W9=L.e.2: Anu-ša-iqīšanni/...//...

W10=B.e.?: Nidinti-šarri/...//...

Scribe: Šamaš-ētir/... year 120+, Seleucus, the king

Seller=co-guarantor1=lost: Anu-uballissu/[...-iddin]/Rabi-Anu//EZ

Buyer: Lâbaši/Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-ittannu//GA

Clearer=co-guarantor2=lost: Illūt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Illūt-Anu//K

Commentary. The tablet is small and one of the few examples of type 3 in the collection. The text of the contract ends with the obverse of the tablet.

Obv. 1: it is possible that the seller of our prebend is the same individual mentioned in **No. 91-P**, below; the restoration of his patronym relies on this possibility.

Obv. 2: the name Anu-uballit, at the end of the line, is restored on the basis of **No. 91-P**, presuming that the same house is referred to in the two texts.

Obv. 8, til.meš: graphic variant for the sign til, unusual in this corpus; attested in NB. Possibly due to a specific scribal preference?

Obv. 10, it-ta-tab-šû-ú: this spelling is a *hapax*.

Obv. 12, a-na: the scribe also uses a variant for na, with 4 heads. The same four-heads na is used in **No. 89-P**, where the scribe's name is unfortunately not preserved.

The preserved part of the date in the date formula allows for the regnal year of an unnamed king, who reigned after SE 120; since the prebend's price is paid in staters of Seleucus, it is likely that the document has to be dated some time between SE 125 and SE 137, in the reign of Seleucus IV.

Rev. 23, ^lina-e-^d60: the name of Ina-qibīt-Anu is written here in its logographic form. The same variant attested in CM 12 9 and BRM 2 43 and probably also in YOS 20 100.

Rev. 26: ^ld60-šá-ba-an-ni, instead of the more common ^ld60-ba-šá-an-ni here and on the left edge; are we dealing with an otherwise unattested variant writing of the name (the scribe systematically inverting the two signs) or with a different name, namely Anu-ša-iqīšanni? Kennedy's preliminary transliteration available.

No. 91-P. Plate XCI

Museum no.: BM 109976 (1914-4-4,42)

Size: 7.9×7×2.9 (S)

Format: n-a (reverse lost)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (lost), silver *qalû*, staters of Seleucus.

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: Corò 2005 (publ. 2009)

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of *ašipûtu* prebend

- Obv. [^{1d}60-din-su a šá]-mu a šá ¹gal-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú
 [^{1d}60-din-su a šá]-'-ú giš.šub.ba-šú ^{1a}a-ši-pu-ú-tú ina se-bu-ú
 [šá é ^{1d}utu-sur a šá ^{1d}60]-din-iš šá ina igi ⁶⁰an-tu₄ pap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan.edin
 [^dna-na-a ^dgašan ša]sag ^dšar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi
 (5) [šá iti-us-su kal mu].an¹.na gu-uq-qa-né-é ud.èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi
 [šá a-na giš.šub.ba ¹a-ši-pu-ú-tú mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki šeš.meš-šú
 []meš? u¹ ki ^{1d}60-numun-mu ma-hir.<<meš>> giš.šub.ba mu.me[š]
 [a ša ^{1d}60-din-iš a-na 10] gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-[ku]
 [bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám t]il.meš a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ša ^{1d}60-din-iš a šá ^{1d}60-[numun-mu(?)]
 (10) [a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na] u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 10 gín šám
 [giš.šub.ba mu.meš til].meš ^{1d}60-din-su ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-numun-mu ma-hir e-šir
 [u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na] muh-hi giš.šub.ba mu.meš it-ta-tab-šu-ú ^{1d}na-na-a-mu
 [a šá ^{1d}60-din-su a-di 12.]ta-àm ana ^{1d}60-numun-mu ana u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din
 [pu-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na] mu-ru-uq-qu šá giš.šub.ba mu.meš ^{1d}60-din-[su]
 (15) [^{1a}na-din giš.šub.ba mu.m]eš u ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a-šú a-na ^{1d}60-[numun-mu a ša ^{1d}60-din-iš]
 [a šá ^{1d}60-numun(?)]-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir [a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú]
 Rev. (lost)
 L.e. (lost)
 R.e. un-qa [^d60-din-su ^{1a}na-din] giš.šub.ba m[u.meš ... ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ^{1a}m]u²-mar²-[ri-qa-nu(?)]
 B.e. [un-qa un]-qa [two more seals lost (?)]
 U.e. [un-qa un-qa ¹níg.s]um.mu-^d60 un¹-[q]a ¹bár-^d60

Dossier. Lâbâši's family (AZI/AU/AZI/EZ)

Translation. Anu-uballissu /...-iddin/Rabi-Anu//EZ voluntarily sold to Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballiš/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ ... and his exorcist's prebend, in one-seventh of the house of Šamaš-ēšir/Anu-uballiš, which is before Anu, Antu, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu and all the gods of their temple, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* days and whatever pertains to that *ašipûtu* prebend, which is with his brothers and all his co-owners and with Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballiš, the buyer¹ of that prebend for 10 š of pure silver, g.q. staters of Seleucus, as the full price, in perpetuity. The silver, 10 š, full price of that prebend, Anu-balāssu received from the hands of Anu-zêru-iddin; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to that prebend, Nanāya-iddin/Anu-uballissu will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Anu-zêru-iddin, forever. Anu-uballissu the seller of that prebend, and Nanāya-iddin, his son, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of that prebend to the advantage of Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballiš/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ, in perpetuity. ...

Witnesses from the edges:

U.e.2²: Nidinti-Anu

U.e.3²: Kidin-Anu

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1.: Anu-uballissu/[...-iddin]/Rabi-Anu//EZ

Buyer=co-owner=[R.e.2]: Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballiš/Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The contract features the same seller as **No. 90-P** and the same title is object of the transaction. The buyers are however different. On this prebend see § 6.1.2, above.

About 1/3 of the right part of the tablet missing; the reverse lost. It is thus impossible to determine the format type.

Obv. 5, mu.an.na: the scribe originally wrote ^d60 instead of an (the sign presents an extra vertical stroke) and corrected it writing na on top of it.

Obv. 7, ma-hir.<<meš>>: the name of another individual lost in lacuna or scribal mistake?

R.e.: badly damaged; what remains allows for the reconstruction of the edge layout; un-qa and PN stood on top of the seal impression, the roles below.

No. 92-RE. Plate XCII

Museum no. BM116693 (1924-12-3, 7)

Size: 9.2×10.8×2.7 (M)

Format: type 4a, compact (seal added)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 127.XII.25, Seleucus IV; silver *qalû*, staters of Seleucus g.q.

Date BC: 184.IV.03

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #732 and p. 255, #38; Pearce 2010, p. 324

Description (type of transaction): sale *ana bit rittûtu* of *bitu epšu makkûr Anu bit ritti* in the district of the Ištar gate. NSW

- Obv. ¹du₁₀.^rga^{-d60} [a šá ^{1d}60]-su a šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹kur-i ina hu-ud-lib-bi-šú é-su ép-šú
níg.ga ^{d60} [é rit]-ti-šú ki-ti ká gal ^dinanna šá qé-reb unug^{ki} uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá
da é níg.ga ^{d60} [é rit-ti šá a.meš šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^{d60} a šá ^{1d}60-din-su ù da é
níg.ga ^{d60} é rit-ti šá ¹i-dat-^{d60} a šá ¹ri-hat-^{d60} uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₀.lu
(5) da sila sig *mu-taq* un.meš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é níg.ga ^{d60}
é rit-ti šá ^{1d}60-su ad-šú sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da é
níg.ga ^{d60} é rit-ti šá ¹lib-lu^t a šá ¹bad₄-^dgašan šu.nígin uš.meš
ù sag.ki.meš *meš-hat* é mu.meš é mu.meš *i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi*
a-na 13 gín kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-ku bab-ba-nu-tu*
(10) a-na šám til.meš a-na é rit-ti-ú-tú a-na ¹bár-^{d60} a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu
a šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú it-ta-din*
kù.babbar a₄ 13 gín šám [é mu.me]š til.'meš ¹du₁₀.^rga^{-d60} *na-din-na*
é mu.meš *ina šu-ii ¹bár-^{d60} [...] ma-hir e-tir*
u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri a-na m[uh-hi* é mu.meš é rit-ti níg.ga ^{d60} *iṭ-tab-šu-ú*
(15) ¹dum-qí-^{d60} a-šú 'x' [... ú-]mar-raq-ma a-di 12.ta-àm
a-na ¹bár-^{d60} ... a-na] u₄-mu *ša-a-tú i-nam-din*
pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-'meš a-na mu⁻[ru-qu] 'šá' é mu.meš ¹du₁₀.^rga^{-d60}
na-din-na é mu.meš ù ¹dum-qí-^{d60} a-šú a-na ¹bár-^{d60}
(Rev.) a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú na-šu-ú* é mu.meš níg.ga ^{d60} é rit-ti
(20) šá ¹bár-^{d60} a ša ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú šu-ú*
ina mil-ki šá ¹bu-it dam-su dumu.munus šá ¹na-na-a-mu a šá ¹dum-qí-^{d60}
a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ^{im}šat-ta-ri mu.meš *ka-šal-lu?*
un-qa ¹bu-it dam-su
dumu.munus šá ¹na-na-a-mu
(25) ¹mu-kin₇ ¹la-ba-ši a šá ^{1d}60-du-a <a (?)> ¹é-kur-za-kir ¹man-nu-i-qa-pu a šá ¹bár-^{d60} <a šá (?)>
^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹kur-i ^{1d}60-numun-mu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a šá ¹šá-^{d60}iš-šu-ú
a ¹hun-zu-ú ¹šá-^{d60}iš-šu-ú a šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹é.babbar-mu-dù
¹dum-qí-^{d60} a šá ^{1d}60-ik-šur ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a šá ^{1d}60-du-a ù
¹i-dat-^{d60} a šá ¹il-lut-^{d60} a.meš ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
(30) ¹níg.sum.mu-^{d60} a šá ¹šeš-šú-^{d60} a ¹hun-zu-ú
¹du-a ¹umbisag a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^{d60} a ¹é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki}
^{im}še.kám ud 25.kám mu 127.kám ¹se-lu-ku lugal
- L.e. un-qa ¹i-dat-^{d60} un-qa ^{1d}r na-na⁻-a-mu
R.e. un-qa ¹du₁₀.^rga^{-d60} *na-din-na un-qa ¹dum-qí-^{d60} a-šú mu-mar-raq-an-na*
B.e. un-qa ¹nu.téš un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-mu un-qa ¹níg.sum.mu-^{d60}
U.e. un-qa ¹man⁻-nu-i-qa-pu un-qa ¹dum-qí-^{d60} un-qa ¹šá-^{d60}iš-šu-ú

Dossier. n-a. Women and *bit ritti* involved

Translation. Tāb-Anu/Anu-erība/Nanāya-iddin//K voluntarily sold in *bit rittûtu* to Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah, for the full price of 13 š of refined silver, in g.q. staters of Seleucus, his built house, Property of Anu, his *bit ritti*, in the district of Ištar Gate, within Uruk: upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, *bit ritti* of the sons of Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballissu and adjoining the house, Property of Anu, *bit ritti* of Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu; lower long side, to the south, adjoining the narrow street, way of the people; upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, *bit ritti* of Anu-erība, his father; lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, *bit ritti* of Libluṭ/Dannat-Bēlti; in total: the upper and lower sides, measurement of this house, this house as much as it is, the whole of it, in perpetuity. The silver, 13 š, full price of this house, Tāb-Anu, the seller of this house, received from the hands of Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu ...; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard this house, *bit ritti*, Property of Anu, Dumqī-Anu, his son ... will clear it; they will give it 12-fold forever to Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu Tāb-Anu, the seller of this house, and Dumqī-Anu, his son, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house to the advantage of Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu, in perpetuity. This house, Property of Anu, is the *bit ritti* of Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anubalāssu-iqbi//Ah, forever. With the consent of ¹Bu'ītu/Nanāya-iddin/Dumqī-Anu//LA, his wife, this written document (verb?). Seal of ¹Bu'ītu/Nanāya-iddin, his wife.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=732h: Lâbâši/Anu-mukîn-apli//EZ
 W2=U.e.1=732e: Mannu-iqabbu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-abu-uşur//K
 W3=B.e.2=732d: Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-ahu-iddin/Şa-Anu-işşû//H
 W4=U.e.3=732f: Şa-Anu-işşû/Nanāya-iddin//Ebabbar-Şuma-ibni
 W5=U.e.2=732a: Dumqi-Anu/Anu-ikşur//LA
 W6=L.e.2=lost: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-mukîn-apli//LA
 W7=L.e.1=732b: Idat-Anu/İllût-Anu//LA
 W8=B.e.3=732g: Nidinti-Anu/Uşurşu-Anu//H

Scribe: Mukîn-apli/Nidinti-Anu//EZ. Uruk. Addaru, day 25, year 127, Seleucus, the king

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=732c: Tāb-Anu/Anu-erība/Nanāya-iddin//K
 Buyer: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=732i Dumqi-Anu/(Tāb-Anu/Anu-erība/Nanāya-iddin//K), his son
 Consent of: 'Bu'ītu/Nanāya-iddin/Dumqi-Anu//LA W Tāb-Anu/Anu-erība/Nanāya-iddin//K
 N-neighbour1: sons of Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballissu (house *m-A br*)
 N-neighbour2: Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu (house *m-A br*)
 S-neighbour: narrow street, way of the people
 W-neighbour: Anu-erība, father of the seller (house *m-A br*)
 E-neighbour: Libluṭ/Dannat-Bēlti (house *m-A br*)

Commentary. The tablet records a conditional sale *ana bīt rittūtu* of a house located in the district of the Ištar gate. On the *bīt ritti* system in Uruk, see Corò 2012 (with bibliography).

Obv. 9, *bab-ba-nu-tu*: instead of the more common spelling *bab-ba-nu-ú-tú*.

Obv. 10, *na-din-na-an*: lú omitted by the scribe.

Rev. 21 and 23, 'bu-īt and 'bu-īt: note that two different spellings for the name of 'Bu'ītu. On the reading of this name see the commentary to **No. 14-RE**, above.

Rev. 25, ¹⁴60-du-a <a (?)> 'é-kur-za-kir: filiation omitted by haplography; ¹⁴60 <a šá (?)>: the scribe omitted the filiation (no Anu-abu-uşur is recorded among the witnesses, thus this must be interpreted as a papponym).

W1, Lâbâši (B.e.1): the name is spelled syllabically in the witness list, while the logographic form is used in the caption to the seal impression.

The tablet format is anomalous, in that the seal of 'Bu'ītu is impressed in the blank preceding the WL.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #732b (L2) actually corresponds to L.e.1.

No. 93-RE. Plate XCIII

Museum no.: BM 105183 (1913-4-16, 15)

Size: 9.5×11.4×2.5 (M/L)

Format: type 4a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 130.III.14, Seleucus IV, silver of Seleucus g.q.

Date BC: 182.VI.27

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): sale of a *kuruppu*; *ina milki* clause. Woman as a seller (also sealing the document). NSW

- Obv. ^fše.bal dumu.munus *ša* ¹níg.sum.mu-lugal a *ša* ¹ša-^d60-iš-šu-ú
a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹é-kur-za-kir *ina hu-ud lib-bi-ši ina (?)* ¹mil-ki *ša* ¹níg.sum.mu-lugal dam-su
é *ku-ru-up-pu ep-šú* *ša* *ina ki-ti ká.gal* ⁴utu *ša* *qé-reb unug*^{ki}
(5) 8 *šal-šú* *kùš uš an-ú* ^{im}si.sá da *mu-šu-ú* *ša* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
a ¹é-kur-za-kir 8 *šal-šú* *kùš uš ki-ú* ^{im}u₁₈ lu da é *mu*^{1?}-tir-tu₄
ša ^{1d}60-numun-mu a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹é-kur-za-kir⁹ *kùš sag.ki an.ta*
^{im}mar.tu da *ki-šub-ba-a* *ša* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹é-kur-za-kir
9 *kùš*¹ *sag.ki ki.ta* ^{im}kur.ra da sila *rap-šú mu-taq* *dingir.meš u lugal*
(10) *šu.nigin* 8 *šal-šú* *kùš <uš>* 9 *kùš sag.ki meš-hat é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš*
é *ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú* *gab-bi a-na*
4 *gín kù.babbar* *ša* ¹se-lu-ku *bab-ba-nu-ú a-na* *šám til.meš a-na* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-¹mu¹
a *ša* ¹li-giš a *ša* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹šu-^d60 a-na ¹u₄-mu¹ *ša-a-tú tat-ta-din*
kù.babbar <a₄> 4 *gín šám é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš* ¹til¹.meš ^fše.bal *na-din-na-at*
é *ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš ina* *šu-ii* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-¹mu a *ša* ¹li-giš *mah-ra-at* *ṭir-at*^{2?}
(15) *u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú*
¹níg.sum.mu-lugal dam-su a *ša* ¹ša-^d60-iš-¹šu-ú¹ a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ¹
Rev. *ú-mar-raq-ma a-di* 12-ta.àm *a-na* ¹60-šeš.meš-mu a *ša* ¹li-giš *a-na*¹
u₄-mu *ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-u-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ur-ru-qu* *ša* é *ku-ru-up-p[u mu.meš]*
^fše.bal *na-din-na-at é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš* ¹níg.sum.mu-lugal dam-su
(20) a *ša* ¹ša-^d60-iš-¹šu-ú¹ a *ša* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ¹é-kur-za-kir *a-na* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
a *ša* ¹li-giš *a-na u₄-mu* *ša-a-tú na-šu-ú é ku-ru-up-pu mu.meš*
ša ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a *ša* ¹li-giš a *ša* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a *ša* ¹šu-^d60 a-na¹ *u₄-mu* *ša-a-tú* *šu-ú*
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a *ša* ¹li-giš a *ša* ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a *ša* ¹šu-^d60 a-na¹ *u₄-mu* *ša-a-tú* *šu-ú*
(25) *ša* ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a *ša* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹kur-i ^{1d}utu-mu-nu a *ša* ¹ú-bar
¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1d}60-din-iṭ u ¹i-dat-^d60 a.meš *ša*
^{1d}na-na-a-mu ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a *ša* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš ¹ú-tat-tan-nu
a *ša* ¹dum-qí-^d60 a.meš ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni¹ a *ša* ¹ú-bar
a ¹bár-^damar.utu ¹ba-la-ṭu a *ša* ¹bad₄-^dgašan a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^d[iškur]
(30) ¹du-a ^{1d}umbisag a *ša* ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki}
^{im}sig.kám ud.14.kám mu.130.kám ¹se-lu-ku lugal
- L.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}utu-mu-nu / *un-qa* ^{1d}60-ba-šá-an-ni / *un-qa* ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
R.e. [^fše].bal *na-din-na-at* [...] / ¹níg.sum.mu-lugal dam-su ¹mu¹ [...] [...]
B.e. ¹un-qa ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 / *un-qa* ¹tat-tan-nu / *un-qa* ¹ba-la-ṭu / *un-qa* ^{1d}utu-mu-nu
U.e. *un-qa* ¹bár-^d60 / *un-qa* ¹i-dat-^d60 / *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu / *un-[qa]* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu

Dossier. Women and *kuruppus*

Translation. ^fŠupêltu/Nidinti-šarri/Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-uballit//EZ with the consent of Nidinti-šarri, her¹ husband^{1?} voluntarily sold to Anu-ahhê-iddin/Lišir/ Anu-ahhê-iddin//GA, for the full price of 4 š of g.q. silver of Seleucus, a built shop in the district of the Šamaš Gate, within Uruk, 8 and 1/3 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the alley of Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballit//EZ; 8 and 1/3 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the *mutertu*-house of Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballit//EZ; 9 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the undeveloped plot of Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-uballit//EZ; 9 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the wide street thoroughfare of the gods and the king; in total: 8 1/3 cubits <the longer>, 9 cubits the shorter, measurements of this shop; this shop as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver, 4 š, full price of this shop, ^fŠupêltu, the seller of this shop, has received from the hands of Anu-ahhê-iddin/Lišir; she is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this shop, Nidinti-šarri/Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-uballit//EZ her¹ husband^{1?} will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Anu-ahhê-iddin/Lišir, forever. Šupêltu, the seller of this shop and Nidinti-šarri/Ša-Anu-iššû/Anu-uballit//EZ her¹ husband^{1?}, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this shop, to the advantage of Anu-ahhê-iddin/Lišir, in perpetuity. This shop belongs to Anu-ahhê-iddin/Lišir/ Anu-ahhê-iddin//GA, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.1/B.e.4: Šamaš-ittannu/Šamaš-ētir/Kidin-Anu//LA
 W2=U.e.1: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah
 W3=U.e.4: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlišunu//K
 W4=L.e.1/B.e.4: Šamaš-ittannu/Ubar//K
 W5=B.e.1/? : Ina-qibīt-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//K
 W6=L.e.3: Anu-uballit̄/Nanāya-iddin//K
 W7=U.e.2: Idat-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//K
 W8=B.e.1²: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-abu-ušur//K
 W9=B.e.2: Tattannu/Dumqi-Anu//K
 W10=L.e.2: Anu-iqīšanni/Ubar//KM
 W11=B.e.3: Balātu/Dannat-Bēlti//LA

Scribe: Mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu//EZ. Uruk, Simānu, day 14, year 130, Seleucus, the king

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.3=Anu-ahu-iddin

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=Šupēltu/Nidinti-šarri//Ša-Anu-iššū/Anu-uballit̄//EZ

Consent: Nidinti-šarri, her husband (? more likely her father)

Buyer: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Lišir/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA

N/S/W-neighbour+S-neighbour: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballit̄//EZ (alley)+ *mutertu*-house+ undeveloped plot

E-neighbour: wide street thoroughfare of the gods and the king

Commentary. See above, § 5.6.1. Since the owner of the properties bordering the *kuruppu* is Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballit̄//EZ and Šupēltu is the great-grand-daughter of an Anu-uballit̄//EZ, there is a possibility that Anu-zēru-iddin is the woman's grand-uncle.

Note that what is described as the long side is actually shorter than the other. We would have expected a WENS orientation for the property here.

The scribe consistently omits the determinative before *nādinat*; moreover, he freely alternates in the text *u* and *ù* without any clear reason for it. The currency is described in an anomalous way: no staters are mentioned and g.q. refers to the silver, which is not qualified *qalû* here. A number of strange spellings, mistakes and omissions can be noted throughout the text.

Obv. 1 *et passim*, še.bal: logographic spelling for Šupēltu? The spelling is a hapax in Uruk.¹⁰⁵ Either the woman's father (also acting as clearer and co-guarantor) and her husband bear the same name or the scribe made a mistake. This last possibility looks more likely since no filiation is given for the individual referred to as her husband, which is quite strange; if her father is meant here, the full onomastic chain is not required, having been already referred to in the woman's name.

Obv. 2, dam-su: with masculine pronoun.

Obv. 5, mu¹-tir-tu₄: maybe mistaken sign for mu?

Obv. 8, kùš: the sign lacks a vertical stroke.

Obv. 9, <uš>: omitted by the scribe.

Obv. 4, 12 and Rev. 19 and 22: writing spilling on the edge.

Rev. 22, a-na: overwrites preceding sign.

Rev. 24, šeš-³-ú¹-tú: written with an extra oblique stroke.

Rev. 27, ina-qí-bit-^d60: apparently written over pre-existing signs.

Rev. 28, ^d60-ba-šá-an-ni: mistake for the expected ni.

Rev. 31, ud 14.kám: unless not clear from the photograph, the original shows a 14.

W5 and W8, Ina-qibīt-Anu: two individuals named Ina-qibīt-Anu appear in the WL; only one seal impression is however captioned with this name. Since one of the seals is captioned Anu-ahu-iddin but no individual by the name is mentioned in the WL, either the scribe made a mistake or one of the Ina-qibīt-Anus also bore the alias Anu-ahu-iddin.

The tablet features a type 4 format: note however, that the blanks between the end of the text and the WL and that separating the WL and the date formula are really small, corresponding approximately to a half line.

¹⁰⁵ It is likely that the syllabic spelling of the same name is referred to in RIAA² 293: 1 and *passim* (the name is read Šubiltu in HBTIN: P342418). The two women referred to are, however, not the same person.

No. 94-P. Plate XCIV (BM)

Museum no.: BM 109944 (1914-4-4,10)//TCL 13 244

Size: 9.3×10.8×2.9 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact

Date SE: 132.III.20, Seleucus IV; silver *qalû*, staters of Seleucus, g.q.

Date BC: 180.VI.11

Bibl.: unpubl.; for the duplicate see HANE/M 8, pp. 417-419

Seal: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #733

Description (type of transaction): sale of prebend in the *hallatu*-orchard

- Obv. ¹ri-hat-^d60 ù ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a.meš ^{šá} ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-su-e a ^{šá} ¹ri-hat-^d60
a.meš ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú-nu šal-šú ^{šá} ^u₄-mu ina ud.28.kám
giš.šub.ba-šú-nu ^{šá} ina é ^{gis}kiri₆ hal-lat ina ^édúr.sag.ṛgara₁₀ é ^dgašan edin
(5) ^{igi} ^dgašan edin u é dingir.meš é-šú ṛgab-bi [šá iti-us-su kal] mu.an.na
gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.[èš.meš ù mim-ma gab-bi šá] a-na
giš.šub.ba ṛmu.meš ik-[kaš-ši-du šá a-na šeš.meš-šú-nu u en.meš ha.l]a-šú gab-bi
a-na 1/3 ma.[na kù.babbar qa-lu-u is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹se-lu-ku] bab-ba-nu-ú-tú
a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-numun a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ^{šá} ^{1d}60'-numun-mu
(10) a ¹é-[kur-za-kir a-na ^u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-tan-nu.meš kù.babbar] a₄
1/3 ṛma.[na šám giš.šub.ba mu.meš til.meš ¹ri-hat-^d60] ù
¹[ni-din-tu₄-^d60 na-din-na.meš giš.šub.ba mu.meš a.meš] ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu
[ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ ma-hir.meš e]-ṛtir'.meš
¹[u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi giš.šub.ba mu.meš it]-tab-šu-ú
(15) ¹[ri-hat-^d60 u ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 ^{1d}na-din-na.meš giš.šub.ba] mu.meš
[ú-mar-raq.meš a-di 12-ta.àm a-na ^{1d}60]-ṛnumun'-mu a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
Rev. [a]-ṛna' ^u₄-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din.meš pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-ur-ru-qu
šá giš.šub.ba mu.meš ¹ri-hat-^d60 ù ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 na-din-na.meš giš.šub.ba mu.meš
(20) a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a-na ^u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú
šal-šú ^{šá} ^u₄-mu ina ud.28.kám giš.šub.ba ^{šá} ina é ^{gis}kiri₆ hal-lat ina ^édúr.sag.gara₁₀
é ^dgašan edin ^{šá} ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-numun-mu
a ¹é-kur-za-kir a-na ^u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
^{1d}mu-kin₇ 'du-a a ^{šá} ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ^{šá} ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
a ^{šá} ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a ^{šá} ^{1d}na-na-a-mu ù ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu a ^{šá} ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60
(25) a.meš ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ¹ba-šá-a a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹hun-zu-ú
^{1d}60-ad-gur a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-numun-giš ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ^{šá} ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60
a ^{šá} ¹up-pu-lu u ^{1d}60-din-iṭ a ^{šá} ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a.meš ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
¹nu.téš a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-du-a a ^{šá} ^{1d}60-din-iṭ' a ¹hun-zu-ú
^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ^{šá} ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 u ^{1d}60-mu-nu a ^{šá} ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60
a ^{šá} ¹ki-tu₄-^d60 a.meš ¹kur-i
(30) ¹du-a ^{1d}umbisag a ^{šá} ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
unug^{ki} ^{it}sig.kám ud.20.kám mu.132.kám ¹se-lu-ku lugal
- L.e un-qa ¹nu.téš un-qa ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
R.e un-qa ¹ri-hat-^d60 un-qa ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 šeš-šú na-din-na.meš giš.šub.ba mu.meš
L.e [un-qa] ^{1d}60'-mu-nu [un]-qa ^{1d}60-ad-gur un-qa 'du-a un-qa ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60
U.e un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu un-qa ^{1d}na-na-a-mu un-qa ¹ba-šá-a un-qa ^{1d}60-dumu-mu-nu

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/AU/AZI//EZ; son of Bēlessunu and Anu-uballit)

Translation. See HANE/M 8, pp. 418-419.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3=733f: Mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah

W2=U.e.1=733j: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Tanittu-Anu/Nanāya//Ah

W3=U.e.4=733a: Anu-māru-ittannu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah

W4=U.e.3=733i: Iqīšā/Anu-ahhē-iddin//H

W5=B.e.2=733d: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-zēru-lišir//Ah

W6=B.e.4=733c: Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/Uppulu//Ah

W7=L.e.2=733e: Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu//Ah

W8=L.e.1=733k: Lâbâši/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-uballit//H

W9=U.e.2=733b: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu//K

W10=B.e.1=lost: Anu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Kittu-Anu//K

Scribe: Mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu//EZ. Uruk, Simānu, d. 20, y. 132, Seleucus, the king

Seller1=Clearer1=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=733h: Rihat-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu//LA
 Seller2=clearer2=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=733g: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Rihat-Anu//LA
 Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The document duplicates TCL 13, 244. Buyer is the son of the son of Anu-uballiṭ and 'Belēssunu. The scribe uses meš after the verb to render the plural, both here and in the duplicate.

Rev. 29: TCL 13 244 omits the papponym Kittu-Anu that is recorded here.

U.e.4, ^{ld}60-dumu-mu-*nu*: the correct name is recorded here. See in TCL 13 244 ^{ld}60-dumu-muⁱ(urù)-*nu* (read from the copy; see HANE/M 8, p. 418).

R.e.: in both **No. 94-P** and its duplicate *un-qa* and the names of seller and guarantor appear on top of the seal impression; the role below. Note that *un-qa* is not repeated in front of the name of the guarantor.

No. 95-RE. Plate XCV

Museum no.: BM 114411 (1920-6-15, 7)

Size: 8.9×10.2×3.3 (M³)

Format: type 1b, irregular

Place: (Uruk)

Date SE: 137.x.12, Seleucus IV; silver *qalû*, staters of Seleucus

Date BC: 174/174.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2015, fn. 93

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #735

Description (type of transaction): sale of a house facing east located to the right of the Nār-Turnu canal, in the district of the Adad temple (NSWE)

- Obv. [ʿri-hat-^dinan]na dumu šá ʿba-ga-na-^d60 dumu šá ʿhi-ba-a ʿe-piš dul-lu [im^{hi.a}]
 [šá é].meš dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú é im^{kur}.ra rit-[ti]
 [dul-ba-]né-e-šú u mu-šu-ú-šú šá ina 15 id túr-nu níg.ga ^d60 ša ina ki-ti` [é ^diškur]
 [šá] qé-reb unug^{ki} uš an-ú im^{si}.sá da sila qát-nu mu-taq-qa un.[meš]
- (5) [u]š ki-ú im^u.lu da é ʿha-lil-^du.gur a šá ʿšu-le-e-^da-da-du
 [s]ag.ki an.ta im^{mar}.tu da é ^{id}60-numun-mu a šá ʿni-din-tu-^d60 a ʿšeš-ʿ-[ú-tú]
 [sa]g.ki ki.ta im^{kur}.ra da sila qát-nu mu-taq-qa un.meš šu.nigin uš u s[ag.ki]
 meš-hat é mu.meš é mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-[na]
 3 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ʿse-lu-ku bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-n[a]
- (10) [šá]m til.meš a-na ʿtad-din-^dna-na-a šá mu-šú ii-ú ʿha-na-a dumu.munus-šú d[am šá]
 [ʿha-lil]-^du.gur a šá ʿšu-le-e-^da-da-du a-na u-^dmu ša-a-tú iṭ-[ta-din]
 [kù.babbar a₄ 3 gín šá]m é mu.meš til.meš ʿri-hat-^dinanna` [ina šu-ii ʿ] tad-din-^dna-ʿna-^d
 [ma-hir e]-ʿṭir u-^dmu pa-ʿ-[qa-ri ana muh-hi é mu.meš ... i]ṭ-tab-šu-ú
 [...]-ʿx-an
- (15) [...] dumu
 (Rev.) [... mu-šu]-ú-šú šá ʿtad-din-^dna-na-a šá mu-šú ii-ú
 [ʿha-na-a dumu.munus-šú dam šá ʿha]-lil-^du.gur a šá ʿšu-le-e-^da-da-du a-na
 [u-^dmu ša-a-tú šu]-ʿú ʿmu-kin,
 [...] ʿnig`.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ʿana-gal-^d60 a ʿhun-zu-ú
- (20) [...] a šá ʿla-ba-ši a šá ʿman-nu-i-qa-pu a ʿkur-i
 [...] a šá ^{id}60-en-šú-nu a šá ʿri-hat-^dinanna a ʿlu-uš-tam-mar-^di[škur]
 [...] a šá ʿina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá ʿki-din-^d60 a ʿhun-zu-ú
 [...] x a šá ʿšá-^d60-iš-šu-ú a šá ʿta-nit-tu-^d60 a ʿhun-zu-[ú]
 [ʿla]-ʿba-ši a šá ʿri-hat-^d60 a šá ʿla-ba-ši ʿ[šitim?]
- (25) [ʿni]-din-tu-^d60 a šá ^{id}60-numun-mu a šá ^{id}60-ad-gur a ʿlu-uš-ta[m-mar^diškur]
 [ʿ]ki-din-^d60 a šá ʿna-na-a-mu a šá ʿki-^d60-pa-šá-ri
^{id}60-en-šú-nu ʿumbisag a šá ʿni-din-tu-^d60 a ^{id}30-ti-ér [...] ʿud`.12.kám mu.137.kám ʿse-lu-ku [lugal]
- L.e. [lost]
 R.e. [...] ʿba-ga-na-^d60 / [...] ʿmu`.meš
 B.e. [...]ki-din-^d60 [un]-qa ^{id}60-numun-giš
 U.e. [...]x [un-qa] ^{id}60-iš-šu-ú un-[qa] ʿnu-ʿtèš`

Dossier. Foreigners

Translation. Rihat-Ištar/Bagana-Anu/Hibā, clay workers of the temples of Uruk, voluntarily sold to ʿTaddin-Nanāya *alias* ʿHanā, his daughter, the wife of Halil-Nergal/Šulē-Adad, for the full price of 3 š of refined silver, in g.q. staters of Seleucus: a suite facing east, tenured, its corridor and its alley to the right of the Nār Turnu canal, Property of Anu, in the district of the Adad temple, within Uruk – the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the narrow street, way the people; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Halil-Nergal/Šulē-Adad; the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Anu-zēru-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//Ah; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the narrow street, way of the people; in total: the long and short side, measurement of this house, this house, as much as it is, the all of it, forever. The silver, 3 š, full price of this house, Rihat-Ištar received from the hands of ʿTaddin-Nanāya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this suite ... son ... (a suite facing east, tenured, its corridor and its alley) belong to ʿTaddin-Nanāya *alias* ʿHanā, his daughter, the wife of Halil-Nergal/Šulē-Adad, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1: PN/Nidinti-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu//H

W2: PN/Lâbâšij/Mannu-iqabbu//K

W3: PN/Anu-bêlšunu/Rihat-Ištar//LA

W4: PN/Ina-qibîṭ-Anu/Kidin-Anu//H

W5: PN/Ša-Anu-iššû/Tanitti-Anu//H
 W6=U.e.3[?]=735b: Lâbâši/Rihat-Anu/Lâbâši, the *itinnu*
 W7: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-abu-utêr//LA
 W8=B.e.2[?]: Kidin-Anu/Nanâya-iddin//Itti-Anu-pašâri

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=U.e.2[?]=Ša-Anu-iššû
 W?=U.e.3[?]=735a: Anu-zêru-lišir

Scribe: Anu-bêlšunu/Nidinti-Anu//SLU. (Uruk. ...), day 12, year 137, Seleucus, the king.

Commentary. See § 5.3.2. On the name of the canal on which the property opens up, i.e. the Nâr-Turnu, see RGTC 8, p. 386. According to Del Monte this was either a branch of the king's canal or of the Ištar canal.¹⁰⁶ The Nâr-Turnu is also mentioned in OECT 9 5: 10 and 18, a division of an undeveloped plot in the district of the Adad temple. This is the only early reference to the Nâr-Turnu. No connection can be established between the individuals involved in the two documents but it is interesting that the area of the district of the Adad temple in the vicinity of the Nâr-Turnu was characterised by empty plots of land at the time OECT 9 5 was written down, while it is mainly made up of built houses at the time of our document.¹⁰⁷ It is worth noting that the property which is the object of transaction here is a tenured property of Anu and that the area is inhabited by individuals who do not belong to the traditional families of Uruk: we can maybe see here an attempt on the part of the temple to exploit the vicinity of the Nâr-Turnu by allocating its properties to tenants that are newcomers in Uruk.

[†]Taddin-Nanâya, the buyer, is the seller's daughter and the wife of a certain Halil-Nergal/Šulê-Adad: both her husband and her father are mentioned in VDI 1955/4 5, to which the present document is clearly connected.¹⁰⁸ See above, § 5.3.2.

W6: the title is restored here on prosopographical ground; the *itinnu* Lâbâši/Rihat-Anu/Lâbâši occurs in many documents, all dating to the same years as our tablet¹⁰⁹ (see, e.g., BRM 1 98//CM 12 7; YOS 20 68; OECT 9 52; OECT 9 54/55; OECT 9 57; OECT 9 63); it is conceivable that his father Rihat-Anu/Lâbâši is the husband of a woman, named 'Ia, who occurs in BRM 2 23//YOS 20 38 as buyer a property located in the quarter of the Ištar Gate; Wallenfels suggests the possibility that the *itinnu* Nidinti-šarri/Rihat-Anu is not his brother, by his alias.¹¹⁰ 735b#=AUWE 19, no. 1090?

Rev. 18, ^{lú}*mu-kin*; at the end of the contract formulation, separated by its last word by a blank. The tablets' format thus is irregular, although still compact.

106 'Forse un ramo del canale del re o del canale di Ištar, sul quale all'inizio del primo secolo dell'era seleucide insistevano terreni di proprietà della famiglia di Dannat-Bêltî del clan Luštammar-Adad': Del Monte 2000, p. 192.

107 On the ownership pattern in this area and its development see also Del Monte 2000, pp. 192-200.

108 The connection was noted already by Monerie 2015, p. 414, fn. 93, but his identification of the family connections between [†]Taddin-Ištar, Halil-Nergal and Rihat-Ištar is wrong. He identifies [†]Taddin-Ištar as "the daughter of the buyer of VDI 1955/4 5, Halil-Nergal, son of Šulê-Adad"; [†]Taddin-Ištar is, conversely, the daughter of the seller (Rihat-Ištar) of the property that is object of the transaction recorded in VDI 1955/4 5, and the wife of the individual (Halil-Nergal) who acts as buyer there.

109 Besides those identified by Wallenfels 1998, p. 42 (BRM 1 98//CM 12 7; BiMes 24 13; OECT 9 54/55; YOS 20 68=MLC 2156), the following can be added: OECT 9 52; OECT 9 57; OECT 9 63.

110 Wallenfels 1998, p. 42.

No. 96-RE. Plate XCVI

Museum no.: BM 114408 (1920-6-15, 4)

Size: 9.3×10.5×2.9 (M)

Format: type 1b, split

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 139.VII.22, Antiochus IV and Antiochus.

Date BC: 173.XI.21

Bibl.: Corò 2012, pp. 157-159. Monerie 2014

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #736

Description (type of transaction): allocation *ana bīt rittūtu* of *kišubbū makkūr Anu*. NSWE

Dossier: allocation of *bīt rittis* and District of the Village

Translation. The tablet is edited and translated in Corò 2012, pp. 157-158.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=736f: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-abu-ušur/ Anu-zēru-iddin//H

W2=U.e.1¹=736e: Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W3=B.e.3¹=lost: Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W4=B.e.2=736d: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu//LA

W5=B.e.1=736g: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-abu-utēr//LA

W6=U.e.3=736c: Higa-Anu/Anu-ikšur/Kidin-Anu//LA

W7=L.e.1=736h: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ikšur/Šullum//H

W8=L.e.2=736b: Kidin-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššū/Mušallim-Anu, doorkeeper of the entrance of the Bīt Rēš

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Lâbâši/Lišir/Gimil-Anu

Recipient: Ḫaninna¹/Riḫat-Bēlet-šēri/Anu-zēru-iddin, worker in clay of the temples

Giver=R.e.1=736a: Anu-uballit=Apollōnios/Kidin-Anu, *itinnu*¹¹¹

Issuer of authorization by letter: Diophantos/Kephalōn// Aḫ, the *rab ša rēš āli* of Uruk

N-neighbour1: Anu-ikšur/Tanittu-Anu//H (unbuilt plot, property of Anu, tenured)

N-neighbour2: Anu-ittannu/Lâbâši/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah (house)

S-neighbour1: broad passageway of the gods and the king

S-neighbour2: Nidinti-Anu and Anu-aḫ-ittannu/Ana-rabūti-Anu (house)

E-neighbour: Anu-ittannu/Lâbâši/(Anu-bēlšunu//Ah?) (house, property of Anu, tenured)

W-neighbour: straight thoroughfare, passage of the people

Commentary. See Corò 2012, and § 5.4 and § 5.5.2, above. Note that the tablet features some atypical characteristics, both as far as the content is concerned and its layout.

As for the content, it is worth noting that the scribe described the long and short sides of the tablets with no reference to their actual size (the ‘long sides’ measure 50 cubits against the 65 of the ‘short sides’); the compass points in the property description are indicated by numbers instead of the more common logograms.¹¹²

The witness list is arranged in columns; however, although all (but the last) witnesses bear a four-tier onomastic chain, the names are arranged only in two columns; the first includes name, patronym and papponym of each individual, the second, physically separated by a blank from the previous one, records the family name. It must be noted that the first three elements of the onomastic chain, even if not separated by a blank from one another, are still aligned in any single line.

R.e.¹¹³: the script’s arrangement on this edge is anomalous: *un-qa* the name of the seal owner and the sentence *šá mu-šú II-ú* follow each other on subsequent lines, and stand to the right and left of the seal impression in order not to overwrite it (the seal was clearly impressed first). The second name, occupying the next line, is written below the seal impression.

Obv. 12, *mu.meš*: written on top of the two preceding signs, squeezed in the intralinear room between line 12 and 13.¹¹⁴ Obv. 16: on the basis of the formulary of **No. 97-RE** the following restoration is plausible for the end of the line: *ki-šub-ba-a i[na a-šar mu.meš lib-bu-ú]*

Obv. 17: on the basis of the formulary of **No. 97-RE** [*lib-bu-ú ... uš-šá-ab*] can be restored for the end of this line.

W2=U.e.1¹: Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah; maybe same seal as AUWE 19, no. 582?

Note that Mitchell, Searight labels L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.2.

111 See Monerie 2015, p. 476, fn. 74 for this reading.

112 Note that in my translation of the tablet (Corò 2012, p. 158, east and west were erroneously mixed up).

113 Omitted from the edition of the text; the transliteration follows: *un-qa*¹¹⁶ *din-iṭ šá mu-šú II-ú* ¹ *a-pu-ul-lu-ni-su* [...] ¹ *ha-n[i-na-’]*.

114 These lines are erroneously indicated as l. 15 and l. 16 in Corò 2012, p. 157, fn. 30.

No. 97-RE. Plate XCVII

Museum no.: BM 114415 (1920-6-15, 11)

Size: 8.9×10.2×3.0 (M)

Format: type 1a, compact

Date SE: 144.IV.25 Antiochus IV

Date BC: 168.VIII.02

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, p. 155 and pp. 157-158; Monerie 2015, p. 423 (et passim)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #738.

Description (type of transaction): allocation *ana bīt rīttūtu*, *kišubbū makkūr Anu*, District of the Village. NSWE

- Obv. ¹*ni-qu-la-wu₄-su šá* mu-šú ii-ú ¹*ri-hat-^d60* a ¹*šá pa-na-a* [dumu.munus ¹*šá šib-qa-a*]
¹⁰*e-piš dul-lu* im ¹*šá é* dingir.meš ¹*šá unug^{ki} ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú a-na* [^d60-numun-mu]
a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-din-i^t a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹*é-kur-za-kir šá u-man-nu-ú*
ina ^{kuš}*ši-pir-tu* ^{1d}60-du-a ¹*gal* ¹⁰sag uru-a ¹*šá unug^{ki} a šá nu.téš*
(5) a ¹*hun-zu-ú a-na na-da-nu ša ki-šub-ba-a*.meš níg.ga ^d60 *iq-bi um-[ma]*
ki-šub-ba-a níg.ga ^d60 *ki-ti kap¹-ri šá qé-reb unug^{ki} 22 kùš uš an-ú*¹
^{im}ii da é ¹*ha-ni-na-* a ¹*šá a-bu-ú* dumu.munus ¹*šá ri-hat-^dinanna u da*¹
mu-šu-ú šá é ¹*il-lut-^d60* a ¹*šá ina-qí-bit-^d60* 22 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}i
da sila sig *mu-taq* un.meš 26 5/6 kùš sag.ki an-ta ^{im}iv da *mu-šu-ú*
(10) ¹*šá é* ¹*il-lut-^d60* mu.meš a ¹*šá ina-qí-bit-^d60* 26 5/6 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}iii
da é ¹*i-dat-^d60* a ¹*šá ri-hat-^d60* *ki-šub-ba-a* mu.meš *a-na é rit-ti-ú-tú*
a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú bi-in-nam-ma é ina lib-bi lu-pu-uš u lu-uš-bi
[*ina*] ¹*lib-bi a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú u mim-ma šá ta é* dingir.meš *i^t-ta-ri-du*
[*a-n*] ¹*a muh-hi é mu.meš ina ka-re-e é*.meš níg.ga ^d60 *a-pal-làh u₄-mu šu-ú*
(15) [¹] ^d60-numun-mu mu.meš *iš-mu-ú-šu-ma ki-šub-[ba]-a ina a-šar* mu.meš *lib-bu-ú*
[*mim*]-*ma šá ú-ba-ú ina šu-ii-šú id-da-šú ina ki-šub-ba-a* mu.meš *lib-bu-[ù]*
[...]*ju(?) uš-šá-ab ina lib-bi a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú u mim-ma šá ta é* dingir.[meš]
Rev. *i^t-ta-ri-du a-na muh-hi é mu.meš ina ka-re-e é*.meš níg.ga ^d60
¹*pal-làh ki-šub-ba-a* mu.meš é *rit-ti šá ni-qu-la-wu₄-su*
(20) *šá mu-šú ii-ú ri-hat-^d60* a ¹*šá pa-na-a* dumu.munus ¹*šá šib-qa-a* ¹⁰*e-piš*
dul-lu im ¹*šá é* dingir.meš ¹*šá unug^{ki} a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú*
¹⁰*mu-kin₇* ^{1d}utu-mu a ¹*šá* níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹*šá ina-qí-bit-^d60* a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-din-su-e a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹*kur-i*
¹*man-nu-i-qa-pu a šá na-na-a-mu a šá* níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹*kur-i*
(25) ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹*šá* ¹*šá*-^d60-iš-šú-ú a ¹*šá* níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹*hun-zu-ú*
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹*šeš-ú-tú*
¹*ana-gal-^d60* a ¹*nu.téš* a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹*lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur*
níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹*šá* ¹*bár-^d60* a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹*šeš-ú-tú*
^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-du-a a ¹*šá* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a ¹*lu-ú* [¹*š-tam-mar-^diškur*]
(30) ¹*ina-qí-bit-^d60* ¹⁰umbisag a ¹*nu.téš* a ¹*šá* ¹*li-giš* a ¹*šu-*[^d60 unug^{ki}]
^{im}šu ud.25.kám mu.144.kám ¹*an-ti-i-ku-su* [lugal]
- L.e. *un-qa* [¹] ^dutu¹-mu *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu
R.e. [*un*]-*qa* [...] ^x *un-qa ni-qu-la-wu₄-su*
B.e. *un-qa* ^{1d}60-ad-šeš *un-qa* níg.sum.mu-^d60 *un-qa* ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu
U.e. *un-qa* ¹*ana-gal-^d60* *un-qa* ¹*man-nu-i-qa-pu un-qa* ^{1d}60-e[n]-šú-nu¹

Dossier. Lâbâši family (AZI/AU/AZI//EZ). Allocation of *bīt rittis*. District of the Village. Clay workers

Translation. Nikolaos *alias* Rihat-Anu/¹Phanaia/¹Šibqāya, the clay worker of the temple of Uruk, voluntarily told Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ, who was entrusted by a parchment letter (of) Anu-mukīn-apli/Lâbâši//K, the *rab ša rēš ali* of Uruk, to sell the undeveloped plots, property of Anu: the undeveloped plot, property of Anu, in the district of the Village within Uruk: 22 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of Haninnā/¹Abū/Rihat-lštar and adjoining the alley of the house of Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu; 22 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the narrow street, way of the people; 26 5/6 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the passageway of the house of the aforementioned Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu; 26 5/6 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu; this undeveloped plot, give me forever in *bīt rittūtu*; I will build a house on it, and will settle in it forever and I will perform whatever service may be required by the temple with regard to this house, in so far as it forms part of the houses held in common by the temple (=karē),¹¹⁵ property of Anu; on that day, this Anu-zēru-iddin heard him and gave him the undeveloped plot, in that place, all that belongs to his hands. In this undeveloped plot, ... and he will settle in it forever,

¹¹⁵ See Corò 2012, for the meaning of this term.

and whatever service may be required by the temple with regard to this house, in so far as it forms part of the storehouses of the houses property of Anu, he will perform it. This undeveloped plot is the tenured property of Nikolaos *alias* Rihat-Anu/Phanaia/Šibqāya, the clay worker of the temples of Uruk, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.1=738g: Šamaš-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu//H
 W2=B.e.1=738e: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-abu-ušur//K
 W3=U.e.2=738i: Mannu-iqabbu/Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//K
 W4=B.e.3=738h: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû/Nidinti-Anu//H
 W5=U.e.3=738b: Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah
 W6=U.e.1=738a: Ana-rabūti-Anu/Lâbâši/Anu-abu-ušur//LA
 W7=B.e.2=738j: Nidinti-Anu/Kidin-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah
 W8=L.e.2=738f: Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahu-iddin//LA

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Lâbâši/Lišir//GA. Uruk, Dûzu, day 25, year 144, Antiochus, the king.

Recipient=R.e.2=738c: Nikolaos *alias* Rihat-Anu/Phanaia/Šibqāya, clay worker of the temple of Anu

Giver=R.e.1(?)=738d Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Issuer of authorization (by letter): Anu-mukīn-apli/Lâbâši//K, the *rab ša rēš āli* of Uruk

N-neighbour1: Haninnā/Abū/Rihat-Ištar (house)

N-neighbour2/W-neighbour: Illūt-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu (passageway of the house)

S-neighbour: straight thoroughfare passage for the People

E-neighbour: Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu (house)

Commentary. The document deals with the allocation of an unbuilt plot of land, tenured property of Anu, in the Village district (as **No. 96-RE**, above); for a discussion of this dossier, see Corò 2012, § 5.4 and § 5.5.2, above, where also its connections with other documents in the collection is explored (in particular **No. 104-RE**). The giver of the property is a member of the Lâbâši family, who got the authorization directly from the *rab ša rēš āli* of Uruk. The family was thus directly related to the operations conducted by the temple in this area.¹¹⁶ The document is connected via prosopography to YOS 20 62: 'Phanaia, the mother of Nikolaos, the recipient of our document, is mentioned there.¹¹⁷ On the occurrences of Nikolaos=Rihat-Anu in Uruk, see Monerie 2014, p. 155-156. For a discussion of the role of the clay workers of the temple of Uruk see Monerie 2015, where also the documents concerning Haninnā, the owner of the property north of the unbuilt plot allocated with **No. 97-RE**, are discussed).

The witness list is not arranged in columns; however, one witness per line only is recorded.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, L2=L.e.1, L1= L.e.2.

116 The significance of this document in the context of the business of the Lâbâši family is explored elsewhere, see Corò, forthcoming (the Ekur-zakirs).

117 See Monerie 2015, esp. pp. 423, 430-431 and 441. A reference to 'Phanaia/Šibqat-Inšušinak is also recorded in Monerie 2014, pp. 157-159: however, one should note that Šibqat-Inšušinak is Phanaia's mother, not her father, as erroneously stated there ('Le nom du père de Phanaia, qui est formé sur le nom du dieu Šušinak ...': Monerie 2014, p. 158). The identification is correct in Monerie 2015.

No. 98-P. Plate XCVIII

Museum no.: BM 116692 (1924-12-13, 6)

Size: 9.6×10.8×2.8 (M)

Format: type 1/2a, compact (blank is very small)

Date SE: 146.IV.23, Antiochus IV

Date BC: 166.VIII.8

Bibl.: HANE/M 8, pp. 53-54, Obv. 1-16; Pearce, HBTIN, P342274 (collations)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #739

Description (type of transaction): lease, portfolio of prebends

- Obv. ¹i-d⁶⁰at-^d60 dumu šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹su-a a ¹é-kur-za-kir ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú
¹a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-numun-mu a ¹é-kur-za-kir
 [i]q-bi um-ma 12-'ú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.11.kám 12-'ú šá u₄-mu
 [ina 1]-en u₄-mu ina ud.26.kám giš.šub.ba-ka ^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú šá igi ^d60
 (5) [an]-tu₄ ^dpap.sukkal ^dinanna ^dgašan edin ^dna-na-a u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi
 12-'ú šá u₄-mu ina ud.3.kám ši-iš-šú šá u₄-mu 60-'ú u re-bu-ú
 ina 60-'u-ú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.6.kám sa-ma-nu-ú šá u₄-mu u mi-šil
 ina 60-'ú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.14.kám giš.šub.ba-ka ^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú
 'šá' ina igi ^den-líl ^dbe ^d30 ^dutu ^dpap.sukkal ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá ^desag
 (10) ^dšar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš é-šú-nu gab-bi ši-iš-šú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu
 ina ud.14.kám re-bu-ú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.17.kám u ina ud.19.kám
 giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš šá ina igi ^d60 'an-tu₄ ^den-líl ^dpap.sukkal
^dinanna ^dgašan 'edin' ^dna-na-a ^dgašan šá ^desag ^dšar-ra-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš
 é.meš-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-nu kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš
 (15) u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš ik-kaš-ši-du a-na re-si-nu-ú-tú
 a-di 10 mu.an.na.meš bi-in-nam-ma re-si-nu-ú-tú-ka lu-pu-uš
 šá ba-aṭ-al la ša-<ka>-an u si-man-nu la ú-še-ti-iq lu-ú id-din-ka
 ha.la ud.èš.èš.meš šá giš.šub.ba ^{1d}ku₄ é-ú-tú mu.meš u lib-bu-ú mim-ma
 Rev. [^{1d}r]e-si-ne-e a-na ^{1d}unug^{ki}-a-a en.meš giš.šub.ba.meš id-din'.meš u a-nam-din
 (20) a-na ha.la ud.èš.èš.meš šá giš.šub.ba ^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú mu.meš a-na mu.an.na
 10 ta ^{uz}gír.lá-u-tú šá udu.níta 3 ^{uz}riq[?]-tù[?](DU)-ú šá mušen^{hi.a} u₄-mu šu-ú
^{1d}60-numun-mu mu.meš iš-mu-šu-ú-ma giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš a-na re-si-nu-ú-tú a-di
 10 mu.an.na.meš id-din-šú ul i-šal-laṭ-ma ^{1d}60-numun-mu mu.meš giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš
 (25) en la 10 mu.an.na.meš i-šal-lim-' a-na šu-tu-qu ina šu-ii ¹i-d⁶⁰at-^d60 u ki-i
 ú-še-ti-iq ul gub-zu u i-nam-din šá la di.ku₅ u la ha-ra-ra a-na ¹i-d⁶⁰at-^d60
 1 ma.na kù.babbar u ki-i ¹i-d⁶⁰at-^d60 giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš la i-ši-ú u la i-nam-din
 a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu u ba-aṭ-al iš-ta-kan u si-man-nu ul te-<ti>-iq i-nam-din šá la
 di.ku₅ u la ha-ra-ra a-na ^{1d}60-numun-mu mu.meš 1 ma.na kù.babbar u mim-ma ^{1d}paq-du
 šá é dingir.meš u ^{1d}ukkin šá unug^{ki} im-mi-du-šú i-zab-bi-il
 (30) ^{1d}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu dumu šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
^{1d}60-din-su-e dumu šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹kur-i ¹bár-^d60 dumu šá
¹nu.téš-^d60 a šá ¹tat-tan-nu a šá ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu dumu šá ^{1d}60-du-a
 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ^{1d}60-ad-gur dumu šá ^{1d}60-numun-giš dumu šá ^{1d}60-din-iṭ
 a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú ¹ina-qi-bit-^d60 dumu šá ¹nu.téš a šá ¹li-giš a ¹šu-^d60 ¹nu.téš dumu šá
 (35) ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a šá ¹nu.téš a ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-'ba'-šá-an-ni a šá ¹ú-bar a ¹bár-^damar.utu
 'il-lut-^d60 ^{1d}šid a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ^{1d}30-ti-ér unug^{ki} ^{iti}šū
 [ud].23.kám mu.146.kám ¹an-ti-'-i-ku-su lugal
- L.e. un-qa ¹nu.téš un-qa ^{1d}60-¹šeš-[mu-nu]
 R.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-mu un-qa ¹i-d⁶⁰at-^d60
 B.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-ba'-[š]á-an-ni un-qa ¹bár-^d[60] un-qa [¹] ^{1d}60-ad-'gur'
 U.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-e un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.'meš-mu' un-qa ¹ina-qi-bit-^d60

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/AAI/AZI//EZ)

Translation. I dat-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Eribâ//EZ voluntarily told Anu-zêru-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Anu-zêru-iddin//EZ: give me in *rêsinutu* for 10 years 1/12 of a day in 1 day on day 11; 1/12 of day in one day, on day 26, your temple-enterer's prebend before Anu, Antu, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bêlet-šêri, Nanâya and all the gods of their temple, 1/12 of a day on day 3, one-sixth of day, 1/60 and one-fourth in 1/60 of a day on one day on day 6, one-eighth of a day and one-half of 1/60 of a day in one day on day 14, your temple-enterer's prebend before Enlil, Ea, Sin, Šamaš, Papsukkal, Nanâya, Bêlet-ša-Reš, Šarrahitu and all the gods of their temple, one-sixth of a day, in one day, on day 14, one fourth of a day in one day on day 17 and on day 19, your butcher's prebend, those prebends that are before Anu, Antu, Enlil, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bêlet-šêri, Nanâya, Bêlet-ša-Reš, and all the gods of their temples, that are monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššesu* days, and whatever pertains to those prebends. May I perform the service for you in relation to which I will not

interrupt the service nor let the right time pass by and I will give you the share of the eš days of that *eb* prebend and everything that the performers gave the Urukeans owners of prebends, (therefore) I will give you in exchange for the share of the eš days of that butcher's prebend, on an annual basis, 10 from the cuts of the muttons pertaining to the butcher's service, 3 *riqitus* (?) cuts of the birds. The same day, Anu-zēru-iddin heard him and gave him those prebends for performance for 10 years. And the aforementioned Anu-zēru-iddin will have no power of disposition to transfer those prebends from the hands of Idat-Anu until 10 years are complete and if he does transfer it will not be valid and he will pay without lawsuit nor contestation 1 m of silver to Idat-Anu; and if Idat-Anu has not accepted/had(?) this prebend and does not give to Anu-zēru-iddin and has caused interruption and has let the right time pass by will pay without lawsuit nor contestation to Anu-zēru-iddin 1 m of silver and whatever the *paqdu* of the temple and the Assembly of Uruk will impose upon him, he will bear.

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.2=739a: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W2=U.e.1=739g: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu//K

W3=B.e.2=739i: Kidin-Anu/Lâbâši-Anu/Tattannu//EZ

W4=U.e.2=739j: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-mukīn-apli/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah

W5=B.e.3=739b: Anu-abu-uṭēr/Anu-zēru-lišir/Anu-uballit//Ah

W6=U.e.3=739e: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Lâbâši/Lišir//GA

W7=L.e.1=739d: Lâbâši/Anu-abu-ušur/Lâbâši//EZ

W8=B.e.1=739h: Anu-iqišanni/Ubar//KM

Scribe: Illūt-Anu/Nidinti-Anu//SLU. Uruk. Dûzu, day 23³, year 146, Antiochus, the king

Lessee=R.e.2=739c: Idat-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Erībā//EZ

Lessor=R.e.1=739f: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The transliteration of Obv. 1-16 (only up to *bi-in-nan-ma*) was offered in HANE/M 8, pp. 53-54, where it is also discussed. A full transliteration of the tablet has been posted on HBTIN (P342274); since many passages were not fully understood there, a new complete transliteration is offered here. The present version takes into account the collations by Pearce for lines 1 to 16. Note, however, the following differences:

Obv. 12, *giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš*: the sign *mu* partially overwrites an extra *meš* sign, whose vertical stroke is clearly visible both on the photograph and on the original.¹¹⁸

Transliteration from Obv. 17 is based on my own reading of the tablet.

Obv. 17: After *baṭ-al* the verb *šakānu* is expected; it seems therefore plausible that the scribe inadvertently omitted the syllable *ka* between *šá* and *an*. The formula represents a variant spelling of such writings as those attested in BRM 2 47:12 (*šá baṭ-al la šá-ka-nu*) and OECT 9 62: 9 (*šá baṭ-lu la šá-an-ka-nu*).

Rev. 1: *lú* probably to be restored at the beginning of the line. *en.meš* is clearly visible after ^{lú}*unug^{ki}-a-a*

R.e.: the scribe voluntarily omitted the indication of the juridical role played by the lessor and lessee, respectively.

Rev. 27, *ba-aṭ-al*: the last sign is a clear *al*, not *tar*.

Rev. 29-30: a few scratches and maybe one sign (*da*²) are visible in the intralinear space between Rev. 29 and 30.

The tablet records the lease of a portofolio of prebends, some performed in the service of Anu, Antu, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, others in the service of Enlil, Ea, Sin, Šamaš, Papsukkal, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu, others in the service of Enlil, Ea, Sin, Šamaš, Papsukkal, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #739 L2= L.e.1 and L1=L.e.2.

118 I do not agree here with Pearce's collation posted on HBTIN.

No. 99-RE. Plate XCIX

Museum no.: BM 114414 (1920-6-15, 10)

Size: 8.9×10.2×2.6 (M)

Format: type 1b, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 149.IX.09, Antiochus V; silver *qalû*, staters of Antiochus g.q.

Date BC: 163.XII.17

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, pp. 43, 81, 116, 129, 147, 173 (Greek names). Monerie 2015

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #740

Description (type of transaction): conditional sale (as tenured property), tenured house of the Fortress of Anu that goes up to the Village of the temples, Ešgal district. NSWE, no measures

- Obv. ¹ki-din-^d60 a-šú šá ¹na-na-a-mu a šá ¹ri-hat-^d60 šá ta ¹du-uš.meš *dul-lu* im ^{hi.a}
 šá é dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú é-su ép-šú níg.ga ^d60 é rit-ti'
 šá bàd šá ^d60 šá e-ú kap-ri šá é dingir.meš ki-tì ^ées.gal šá qé-reb [unug^{ki}]
 uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá da sila sig mu-taq un.meš uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₈.lu
 (5) da é ¹šá-hi-la-¹ a šá ¹d60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ¹ri-hat-^d60 sag.ki 'an'.[ta]
^{im}mar.tu da é ¹dum-qí-^d60 a šá ¹ir-^ésag sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}[kur.ra]
 da sila sig mu-taq un.meš u da mu-šu-ú šá é mu.meš šu.nigin uš.meš [u sag.ki.meš]
 mi-ših-tu₄ é mu.meš é mu.meš i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-[šú-ú]
 gab-bi a-na 5/6 ma.na kù.babbar qa-lu-ú is-ta-tir-ra-nu šá ¹an-ti-^{''}[ku-su]
 (10) bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na šám til.meš a-na ¹du₁₀.ga-at-^dna-na-a dumu.munus šá ¹[^dna-na]-a-mu
 a šá ¹d60-din-iš dam ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ¹d60-dumu-mu-nu a šá ¹il-lut-[^d60 ¹se-pir]
 níg.ga ^d60 a-na é rit-ti-ú-tú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din
 kù.babbar a₄ 5/6 ma.na šám é mu.meš til.meš ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹na-din é mu.meš
 ina šu-ii ¹du₁₀.ga-at-^dna-na-a ma-hir e-šir u₄-mu [pa]-qa-ri a-na muh-hi
 (15) é mu.meš it-tab-šú-ú ¹mat-tan-tu₄-^d60 a-šú ú-mar-raq-ma
 en 12-ta.àm a-na ¹du₁₀.ga-at-^dna-na-a a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú
 ina-an-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš a-na mu-'ru'-qu šá é mu.meš
 Rev. ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹na-din é mu.meš u ¹mat-tan-tu₄-^d60 a-šú a-na ¹du₁₀.ga-at-^dna-na-a
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú é mu.meš níg.ga ^d60 é rit-ti šá ¹du₁₀.ga-at-^dna-na-a
 (20) dumu.munus šá ¹na-na-a-mu a šá ¹d60-din-iš dam ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ¹d60-dumu-mu-nu
 a šá ¹il-lut-^d60 ¹se-pir 'níg.ga' ^d60 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
¹mu-kin₇ ¹qi-ip-lu-ú-nu a šá [¹]an-ti-'-i-ku-su a ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
¹a-lik-'sa-an-dar' u ¹ti-im-gu-ur-te-e a.meš šá ¹ti-im-gu-ur-te-e a.meš ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
¹d60-šeš-gál-ši a šá ¹d60-din-su a šá ¹d60-dumu-mu-nu a ¹é-kur-za-kir
 (25) ¹tat-tan-nu a šá ¹d60-din-iš a šá ¹d60-ik-šur a ¹é-kur-za-kir
¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹d60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ¹il-lut-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú
¹d60-mu-nu a šá ¹d60-ad-šeš a šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a ¹šu-^d60
¹na-na-a-mu a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá ¹d60-din-iš a ¹kur-i
 (30) ¹utu-sur¹⁰umbisag a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir unug^{ki} ^{iti}gan
 ud 9.kám mu 149.kám ¹an-ti-'-i-ku-su lugal
- L.e. un-qa ¹a-lik-sa-an-dar un-qa ¹ti-im-gu-ur-te-e
 R.e. un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60 ¹na-din é mu.meš un-qa ¹mat-tan-tu₄-^d60 a-šú ¹mu-mar-raq-an' é mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 un-qa ¹d60-mu-nu un-qa ¹na-na-a-mu
 U.e. un-qa ¹d60-šeš-gál-ši un-qa ¹qi-ip-lu-ú-nu un-qa ¹tat-tan-nu

Dossier. *bīt ritti*, Fortress of Anu and Village. Women

Translation. Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Rihat-Anu, who is among the clay workers of the temples of Uruk, voluntarily sold as a tenured property to ¹Tabāt-Nanāya/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ, the wife of Illūt-Anu/Anu-māru-ittannu//Illūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu, for the full price of 5/6 m of refined silver, g.q. staters of Antiochus, his built-on house, Property of Anu, a tenured house of the Fortress of Anu that goes up to the Village of the temples, in the Ešgal district within Uruk: the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the narrow street, passage of the people; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house of Šahilā/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu; the upper short side to the west, adjoining the house of Dumqi-Anu/Arad-Rēš; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the narrow street, passage of the people and adjoining the alley of this house; in total: the long and short sides, measurements of this house; this house, as much as it is, all of it is, in perpetuity. The silver: 5/6 m, full price of this house, Kidin-Anu, the seller of this house, received from the hands of ¹Tabāt-Nanāya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Mattantu-Anu, his son, will clear it from claims and 12 times (its value) will give to ¹Tabāt-Nanāya, in perpetuity. Kidin-Anu, the seller of this house and Mattantu-Anu, his son, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house, to the advantage of ¹Tabāt-Nanāya, forever. This house, Property of Anu, belongs as a tenured house to ¹Tabāt-Nanāya/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ, the wife of Illūt-Anu/Anu-māru-ittannu//Illūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.2=740c: Kephalon/Antiochus/Nidinti-Anu//Ah
 W2=L.e.1=740b: Alexandros/Timokrates//Ah
 W3=L.e.2=740a: Timokrates/Timokrates//Ah
 W4=U.e.1=740e: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Anu-uballissu/Anu-māru-ittannu//EZ
 W5=U.e.3=740j: Tattannu/Anu-uballiṭ/Anu-ikšur//EZ
 W6=B.e.1=740h: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittanni/Ilḷūt-Anu//H
 W7=B.e.2=740i: Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur/Tanittu-Anu//GA
 W8=B.e.3=740f: Nanāya-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballiṭ//K

Scribe: Šamaš-ētir/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ. Uruk. Kislīmu, day 9, year 149, Antiochus, the king

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=740g Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Rihat-Anu, clay workers of the temple of Uruk
 Clearer=co-guarantor1=R.e.2=740d= Mattantu-Anu/(Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Rihat-Anu), seller's son
 Buyer=: 'Ṭabāt-Nanāya/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ W Ilḷūt-Anu/Anu-māru-ittannu//Ilḷūt-Anu, the alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu
 N-neighbour: straight thoroughfare passage of the People
 S-neighbour: Šahilā/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Rihat-Anu (house)
 W-neighbour: Dumqi-Anu/Arad-Rēš (house)
 E-neighbour: narrow street, passage of the people and alley of this house

Commentary. The description of the property does not include the size of the sides: see above, § 5.1, above. The document is discussed in the context of the properties linked to the area of the 'Village': see § 5.3.1, above.

On the clay workers and their family quoted in this text, see Monerie 2015, pp. 423 and 442. On the individuals with Greek names (namely, W1, W2 and W3) see Monerie 2014.

Obv. 1, 'ki-din-^d60 a-šú šá: the use of the possessive pronoun after the a sign, which is unusual in this period, is used here only. Conversely, the scribe Šamaš-ētir systematically uses 'a' in the onomastic chain also for patronyms (but obviously dumu.munus for a woman).

Rev. 24: the scribe uses meš even after the clan name (he already used it with the patronym).

Date formula: a half-line blank stands between the two lines of the date formula. Note that the text of the second line is distributed on the surface with big blanks between the date, name of the reigning king and title.

W1-W3: note that all these individuals, bearing Greek names, seal the documents using gems.

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #740 L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.2.

No. 100-RE. Plate C

Museum no.: BM 114419//114423 (1920-6-15,15)

Size: 8.2×10.2×2.4 (M)

Format: type 1b, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: (156.VI.2) silver *qalû*, staters of (Demetrius) g.q.

Date BCE: (156.VIII.25)

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, pp. 38 and 203 (Greek names). Monerie 2015

Selas: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #745

Description (type of transaction): conditional sale *ana bīt rittūtu of bītu, dulbanēšu u tarbasu epšūtū, makkūr Anu, bīt ritti* in the Fortress of Anu a.k.a the Temple Village, district of the Ešgal. NSWE+NSWE

- Obv. [ʰa-ta-ma-^d60 a šá s]ag²-lu-ú¹ a šá s¹-u-mut-tu⁴-^d60 ^{lú}e-p]iš *dul-lu* im^{hi.a}
 [šá é dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} ina h]u-ud lib-bi-šú é *dul-ba-ne-šú u tūr-šú ép-šu-ú-tú* níg.ga ^d60 é rit-ti-šú
 [šá bàd šá ^d60 šá e]-ú kap-ri šá é dingir.meš ki-tì é eš.gal šá *qé-reb* unug^{ki} 13 1/2 kuš
 [uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá d] a é níg.ga ^d60 šá ^{lú}60¹-din-su-e a šá ¹re-e-mé-e-^dna-na-a u da
 (5) [meš-hat šá-ni]-tu⁴ 1[3 1/2 kuš] uš ki-ú ^{im}u¹⁸.lu da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ¹ar-šá-ka-a
 [9 1/2] kuš ¹sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ¹ha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din-na¹-an é¹
 mu.meš² 9 [1/2] kuš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ^{lú}60¹-din-su-e a šá ¹re-e-mé-e-^dna-na-a
¹meš-hat¹ ii[^{im}tu⁴] tūr šá é mu.meš 14 1/2 kuš uš an-ú ^{im}ii da é šá ¹ma-ka-a
 (10) ^{lú}ma-hir¹-an-na é mu.meš 14 1/2 kuš uš ki-ú ^{im}ii da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ¹ha-ta-ma-^d60¹ mu.meš
 u da meš-hat¹ igi-tu⁴ 12 1/2 kuš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}iv¹ da tū[r ú m]u-šu-ú šá
¹ha-ta¹-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din-na-an² mu.meš 12 1/2¹ kuš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}ii da é a-ma-áš-tu⁴
 [šá bi-rit¹] é¹ mu.meš u é ^{lú}60¹-din-su-e¹ a šá ¹re-e-mé[e-^dna-na¹-a pap 2.ta meš-hat.meš šá
 é [mu.meš] ¹i-ši u ma-a-du¹ ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-b¹i a-na 14¹ gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú
 is-ta-[tir-ra-nu šá ¹de-e-mé-de]-ri-su bab-ba-nu-ú-tú [a-na šám til.meš] a¹-na¹ ¹ma-ka-a
 (15) a šá ¹ir-é-sag a šá ^{lú}60¹-šeš-mu-nu¹ ^{lú}ma-gal-la-a a-na¹ é rit-ti¹-ú-tú a-na u⁴-mu ša¹-a-tú¹
¹it-ta-din kù.babbar a⁴ 14 gín šám¹ é mu.me til¹.meš ¹ha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din é mu.meš
 ina¹ šu¹-ii ¹ma-ka-a ma-hi-ri¹ e-ṭir u⁴-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi é ¹mu.meš it¹-[¹tab-šu-ú]
 <<diš>> <<diš>> [this line not counted]
- Rev. ¹kám¹-[^{im}tu⁴ dumu.munus(?) š]á ¹ru-ú-ha-at-^d60 dam² [šá ...] ^d60-šeš²-gál²-š¹i² tu²-ú²-mar-ra-q-ma
 a-di 12.ta-a⁴ a-na ¹ma-ka-a a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú ta-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš
 (20) a-na mur-ru-qu šá é mu.meš ¹ha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din é mu.meš u ¹kám-tu⁴ ¹dam²-šú
 a-na ¹ma-ka-a a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú é mu.meš é rit-ti šá ¹ma-qa-a a šá
¹ir-é-sag a šá ^{lú}60¹-šeš-mu-nu¹ ^{lú}ma-gal-la-a a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
^{lú}mu-kin⁷ ^{lú}60-ad-šeš a šá ^{lú}60¹-šeš-meš-mu a šá ^{lú}60-gi a ¹šu-^d60
^{lú}utu-mu-nu a šá ^{lú}60-du-a a šá ^{lú}60-gi a ¹šu-^d60
 (25) ¹din a šá ^{lú}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ¹din <<diš>> a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar^diškur
^{lú}60-din-su-e a šá ¹tat-tan¹-nu a šá ¹na-na-a-mu a ¹kur-i
¹din a šá ¹ta-nit-tu⁴-^d60 a šá ^{lú}60-en-šú-nu a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar^diškur
 [ú]-bar a šá ¹ri-hat-^d60¹ a šá ¹ú-bar a ¹bár-^damar.utu
 [ki-din]-^d60 a šá ¹ina-e-^d60-gub-zu a ¹ki-din-^d60 a ¹gi-^d60
- (blank)
 (30) [¹ina-qí-bit--^d60 ^{lú}umbisag a šá ^{lú}utu²-sur a ¹]e-kur¹-za-kir unug^{ki} ^{im}kin ud.2.kám
 [mu.156.kám ¹de-e-mé-de-ri-s]u lugal
- L.e. un-qa ^{lú}utu-mu-nu [un-qa] ¹din
 R.e. un-qa ¹ha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din-na¹-an¹ un-qa ¹kám-tu⁴ dam²-šú ¹mu-mar¹-[ra-q-at é mu.meš]
 B.e. un-qa ¹ú-bar un-qa ¹ki-din-^d60
 U.e. [un-qa ^{lú}60-din-su-e un-qa ¹din] un-qa ^{lú}60-ad-šeš

Dossier. *bīt rittis* and Fortress of Anu. Women

Translation. Hatama-Anu/.../Sumuttu-Anu, the worker in clay of the temple of Uruk, voluntarily sold as a tenured property to Makkaya/Arad-rēš/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the *magallaya* (parchment maker?), for the full price of 14 š of refined silver, g.q. staters of Demetrius, a house, its passageway, and its courtyard, all of them finished, Property of Anu, its tenured property of the Fortress of Anu that is called the Temple Village in the district of the Ešgal temple, within Uruk: 13 1/2 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, of Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya and adjoining the second measurement; 13 1/2 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, of Aršakaya(?); 9 1/2 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, of Hatama-Anu, the seller of this house; 9 1/2 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, of Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya; second measurement (of) the courtyard of this house: 14 1/2 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of Makkaya, the buyer of this house; 14 1/2 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the house, Property of Anu, of this Hatama-Anu and adjoining the previous measurement; 12 1/2 cubits, the upper short side, to the west,

adjoining the courtyard and alley of Hatama-Anu, this seller; 12 1/2 cubits, the lower short side, adjoining the house and dividing wall that lies between this house and the house of Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya; in total: 2 plots, this house, as much as it is, all of it, forever. The silver 14 š, price of this house, Hatama-Anu, the seller of this house, received from the hands of Makkaya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, 'Erištu/Ruhat-Anu/... Anu-ahu-ušabši will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Makkaya, forever. Hatama-Anu, the seller of this house, and 'Erištu, his wife(?) mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house, to the advantage of Makkaya, forever. This house belongs as a tenured property to Makkaya/Arad-rēš/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the parchment maker, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.3=745e//741a: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ušallim//GA
 W2=L.e.1=745d//741d: Šamaš-ittannu/Anu-mukin-apli/Anu-ušallim//GA
 W3=L.e.2=745g/741g/U.e.2=lost//lost: Balātu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Balātu//LA
 W4=U.e.1=lost//lost: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Tattannu/Nanāya-iddin//K
 W5=L.e.2=745g/741g/U.e.2=lost//lost: Balātu/Tanittu-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//LA
 W6=B.e.1=745f//741f: Ubar/Rihat-Anu/Ubar/Kidin-Marduk
 W7=B.e.2=745c//741c: Kidin-Anu/Ina-qibit-Anu-izuzzu/Kidin-Anu

Scribe: Danna-Anu/Šamaš-ētir//EZ. Uruk. Ulūlu, day 2, y. 156, Demetrios, king.

Seller=co-guarantor1=R.e.1=745b: Hatama-Anu/.../Sumuttu-Anu, the worker in clay of the temple of Uruk

Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=745a: 'Erištu/Ruhat-Anu W of ?... Anu-ahu-ušabši(?)

Buyer: Makkaya/Arad-rēš/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the *magallaya*

House

N-neighbour1-I: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya (house, Property of Anu)

N-neighbour2-I: the second measurement

S-neighbour-I: Aršakā(?), (house)

W-neighbour-I: Hatama-Anu(/), the seller (house, Property of Anu)

E-neighbour-I: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya (the house, Property of Anu)

Courtyard

N-neighbour-II: Makkaya, the buyer (house)

S-neighbour1-II: Hatama-Anu(/.../Sumuttu-Anu), the seller (house, Property of Anu)

S-neighbour2-II: previous measurement

W-neighbour-I: Hatama-Anu(/.../Sumuttu-Anu), the seller (courtyard and alley)

E-neighbour-I: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Remē-Nanāya (house and dividing wall that lie between this house and the house of)

Commentary. Duplicate of **No. 101-RE**. The text has been amply discussed above: on the relationship between the two duplicate tablets and the graphic peculiarities and choices that characterise the hand of the scribe of this tablet, see § 8.2.3; for its connection to the properties located in the Village see § 5.4. See Monerie 2015 for its connections to the dossier of the clay workers of Uruk.

Besides format and scribal hand peculiarities, the tablet is particular in that it introduces for the first time the title *magallāya* (for the buyer), that is otherwise unknown. As I suggested above (§ 3.2) he might have been a professional parchment maker.

It is interesting that the person who is responsible for clearing from claims the property in case of contestation is a woman (probably the wife of the seller).

Rev. 18, *tu-ú-mar-raq-ma*: alternative spelling for *tu-mar-raq-ma*?

Note that Mitchell, Searight 2008, #745 L2=L.e.1; L1=L.e.2; T2=U.e.3

W3 and W5, Balātu: note the logographic spelling for this name, which is in general rare (none of the other examples are by the hand of the same scribe).

R.e.2: the scribe uses the feminine determinative instead of *lú* for the role of the woman.

No. 101-RE. Plate CI

Museum no.: BM 114423 (1920-6-15, 19)//114419

Size: 8.9×9.8×2.4 (S)

Format: type 1b, compact

Date SE: 156.VI.2, Demetrius I; silver *qalû*, staters of Demetrius g.q.

Date BC: 156.VIII.25

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #741

Description (type of transaction): transfer *ana bīt rittūtu* of *bitu*, *dulbanēšu* u *tarbašu epšūtū*, *makkūr Anu*, *bīt ritti*. NSWE+NSWE

- Obv. [ʰa-ta-ma-^d60 a šá x x sa]g²-ʰlu¹-ú a šá ʰsu-mut-tu₄-^d60 ^{lú}e-piš *dul-lu im*^{hi}.a
 šá é dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} [ina hu]-ud lib-bi-šú é *dul-ba-ne-šú* u *tūr-šú ép-šu-ú-tú* níg.ga ^d60 é *rit-ti-šú*
 šá bād šá ^d60 šá e-ú *kap-ri* šá é dingir.meš ki-tì é eš.gal šá *qé-reb* unug^{ki} 13 1/2 kùš²
 uš an-ú ^{imsi}.sá da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ^{lú}d60-din-su-e a šá ʰre-e-mé-e-^dna-na-a u da
 (5) *meš-hat* šá-ni-tu₄ 13 1/2 kùš uš ki-ú ^{imu}u₁₈.lu da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ʰar-ha²-ká-a
 9 1/2 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}mar.tu da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ʰha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din-na-an
 [é mu.me]š 9 1/2 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}kur².ra da é níg.ga ^d60 šá ^{lú}d60-din-su-e a šá ʰre-e-mé-e-^dna-na-a
 [meš-hat] ii-tu₄ *tūr* šá é mu.meš 14 1/2 k[ùš uš an]-ú² ^{im}ii da ʰé šá ʰma-qá/ka-a ^{lú}ma-hir-an-na
 [é] mu.meš 14 1/2 kùš uš ki-ú ^{im}i da [é] níg.ga ^d60 šá ʰha-ta-ma-^d60 mu.meš u da
 (10) [meš-hat] igi-tu₄ 12 1/2 kùš sag.ki an.ta ^{im}iv da *tūr* ú *mu-šu-ú* šá ʰha-ta-ma-^d60
 [^{lú}na]-*din na-an* mu.meš 12 1/2 kùš sag.ki ki.ta ^{im}iii da é a-ma-áš-tu₄ šá bi-rit é mu.meš
 [u é (?)] ^{lú}d60-din-su-e a šá ʰri-e-mé-e-^dna-na-a pap 2.ta *meš-hat*.meš šá é mu.meš
 [é m]u.meš i-ši u *ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na* 14 gín kù.babbar *qa-lu-ú*
 [is-t]a-tir-ra-nu šá ʰde-e-mé-de-ri-su bab-[ba]-nu-ú-tú a-na ʰšám² til.meš a-na ʰma-ka-a
 (15) ʰa šá ʰir-ésag a šá ^{lú}d60-šeš-mu-nu ^{lú}ma-gal-la-a a-na é *rit-ti-ú-tú a-na* u₄-mu *ša-a-tú*
it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 14 gín ʰšám é mu.me til².meš ʰha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din é mu.meš
ina šu-ii ʰma-qá/ka-a *ma-hir e-ṭir* u₄-mu *pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi* é mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú*[ú]
 Rev. [ʰkám-tu₄ *dumu.munus* ʰá ʰr]u-ú-ha-at-^d60 da[m ʰá x-x-x] ^d60-šeš-gál-ši *tu-ú-mar-raq-ma*
 (20) [a]-*di* 12.ta-àm [a]-na ʰma-qá/ka-a a-na u₄-m[u ʰa-a]-tú *ta-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš*
a-na mur-ru-qu šá é mu.meš ʰha-ta-[ma-^d]60² ^{lú}na-^din é mu.meš² u ʰkám-tu₄ *dam-šú*
a-na ʰma-ka-a a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú na*-[šú]-ú é mu.meš² é *rit-ti* šá ʰma-qá-a a šá
 ʰir-ésag a šá ^{lú}d60-šeš-mu-nu ^{lú}[ma]-gal-la-a a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú* šu-ú
^{lú}mu-kin₇ ʰ60-ad-šeš a šá ʰ^{lú}d60-[šeš.m]eš-mu a šá ^{lú}d60-gi a ʰšu-^d60
 (25) ʰutu²-mu-[nu] a šá ^{lú}d60-du-ʰa a šá ^{lú}d60-gi a ʰšu-^d60
 ʰdin a šá ^{lú}d60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ʰdin a ʰlu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
^{lú}d60-din-su-e a šá ʰtat-tan-nu a šá ^{lú}na-na-a-mu a ʰkur-i
 ʰdin a šá ʰta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a šá ^{lú}d60-en-šú-nu a ʰlu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
 ʰú-bar a šá ʰri-hat-^d60 a šá ʰú-bar a ʰbár-^damar.utu
 (30) ʰki-din-^d60 a šá ʰina-e-^d60-gub-zu a šá ʰki-din-^d60 a ʰgi-^d60
 ʰina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{lú}umbisag a šá ʰutu-sur a ʰé-kur-za-kir unug^{ki} ^{iti}kin ud.2.kám
 mu.156.kám ʰde-e-mé-de-ri-su lugal
- L.e. un-qa ʰ^{lú}utu²-[mu]-nu un-qa ʰ^{lú}din²
 R.e. un-qa ʰha-ta-ma-^d60 ^{lú}na-din-na-an un-qa ʰkám-tu₄ da²m² ʰmu-mar-raq-at é mu.meš
 B.e. un-qa [ʰú-bar] [un]-qa ʰ[ki]-din-^d60
 U.e. un-qa ʰ[^{lú}d60-din-su-e] [un-qa] ʰdin un-qa ^{lú}d60-ad-šeš

Dossier. *bīt ritti*s and Fortress of Anu; women

Translation and Commentary. See the duplicate No. 100-RE, above.

No. 102-RE. Plate CII

Museum no.: BM 114418 (1920-6-15, 14)

Size: 8.9×10.2×3 (M)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 157.XII.17, Demetrius I; silver *qalû*, g.q. staters (RN omitted?)

Date BC: 154.III.24

Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2014, pp. 40, 73, 139, 166, 203 (Greek names)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #742

Description (type of transaction): sale of *bītu epšu sippi raksu*, district of the Adad temple. NSW

- Obv. ¹la-ba-ši a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ¹ni-iq-a[r-qu-su] 'a' šá
¹šeš-'ú-tú ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú ma-la ha.la-šú gab-bi šá ina é [šá]
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu ad-šú ina é ep-šú sip-pu rak-su ki-ti é ¹išk[ur]
(5) šá qé-reb unug^{ki} uš an-ú ^{im}si.sá` da sila sig mu-ta[q un.meš]
uš ki-ú ^{im}u₁₆-lu da sila sig mu-[t]aq un.meš sag.ki 'an'.[ta]
^{im}mar.tu da é ¹se-lu-ku a šá ¹di-ge-ni-ia ù da [é]
¹níg.sum.mu-lugal¹¹⁹ a šá ¹il-lut-^{1d}inanna ^{1u}unug^{ki}-a-a sag.ki ki.ta
^{im}kur.ra da sila mu-taq un.meš 'ù' [da] 'é' ¹la-ba-ši a šá
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ¹ni-iq-ar-[qu-su a ¹š]eš-'ú-tú [...]
(10) šu.nígín uš u sag.ki meš-hat-t[u₄ ha.la ina é mu.meš i-š]i u ma-a-d[u]
ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na [x kù.babbar qa] lu-ú is-ta-[tir-ra-nu]
bab-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na sám til.meš a-na ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ù ^{1d}60-[din-su-e]
a.meš šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ¹ni-iq-ar-q[u-su]
a ¹šeš-'ú-tú a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar 'a₄' [x gín]
(15) sám ha.la ina é mu.meš til.meš ¹la-ba-ši ina šu-ii ^{1d}60-en-šú-[nu ù]
^{1d}60-din-su-e ma-hir e-tir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na [muh-hi é]
mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú ¹la-ba-ši [^{1u}na-din é mu.meš a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu]
Rev. [ú]-mar'-[raq-ma ...] a [x x]
'a-na'] mu.meš gab-bi
(20) 'x' [... ^{1d}60]-šeš.mu-nu ad-šú-nu
šá [... ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu mu¹²⁰.meš
a-na' [...] mu.meš
^{1u}m[u-kin, ...] ad'-šeš a ¹kur-i
¹r^d-[...]] 'x' a ¹kur-i
(25) ^{1d}60'-[...] m]u? a ¹lu'-uš-tam-mar-^{1d}iškur
^{1d}[...]-ér
^{1d}utu-sur a šá '[...]
¹[dum]-qí-^{1d}60 a šá [...]
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-m[u...]
(30) ^{1d}60-mu-giš a [...]
^{1d}60-šeš.meš-[mu] ^{1u}[umbisag a šá ¹níg.s]'um'-[mu-^{1d}60 a ^{1d}30]-'ti-ér' unug^{ki}
^{1u}še ud.17.kám mu.157-<kám> ¹de-e-[mi-it]-ri-su lugal
- L.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-e
R.e. un-qa [...] ¹nu.téš [^{1u}n]a-din-n[a..] (1 seal only, written in lines not in rows)
B.e. un-qa ^{1d}utu-'sur' 'un'-[qa ...] [...]
U.e. un-qa ¹dum-qí-^{1d}60 un-qa ¹man-nu-i-qa-'pu' un-qa ^{1d}60-mu-giš

Dossier. n-a. Greek names

Translation. Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bêlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah voluntarily sold to Anu-bêlšunu and Anu-balâssu-iqbi/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bêlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah, for the full price of ... refined silver, g.q. staters: all of his share in the house of Anu-ahu-ittannu, his father, (i.e.) in the finished house (with) intact door frame, (located in) the district of the Adad temple, within Uruk: upper long side to the north adjoining the narrow street, way of the People; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the narrow street, way of the People; the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Seleucus/Diogenes and adjoining the house of Nidinti-šarri/Ilût-Ištar, the Urukean; the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the wide street, Thoroughfare of the People and adjoining the house of Lâbâši/Anu-bêlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah ...; in total: the long and short sides, measurement of the share in this house, as much as it is, all of it, in perpetuity. The silver: ... full price of the share in this house, Lâbâši received from the hands of Anu-bêlšunu and Anu-balâssu-iqbi; he

119 Over erasure: the scribe possibly wrote ^{1d}60 and then corrected the mistake.

120 Over erasure: the scribe wrote a and then overwrote it with the mu sign.

is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu, the seller of this house, will clear it ... to ... all ... Anu-ahu-ittannu/..., their father ... (belongs to) this Anu-ahu-ittannu, in (perpetuity).

Witnesses:

W1=?=? : PN/PN/Anu-abu-ušur//K
 W2=?=? : PN/.../...//K
 W3=?=? : Anu-.../PN/...-iddin?//LA
 W4=?=? : PN/PN/PN//SLU
 W5=B.e.1=lost: Šamaš-ēṭir/...
 W6=U.e.1=742d: Dumqi-Anu/...
 W7=L.e.1=742c: Anu-ahhē-iddin/... (same seal as #746e and AUWE 19, no. 208)
 W8=U.e.3=742b: Anu-šumu-līšir/...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.2=742f: Anu-balāssu-iqbi
 W?=U.e.2=742b: Mannu-iqabbu
 W?=U.e.1=742a: lost

Scribe: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//SLU. Uruk. Addaru. Day 17, year 157, Demetrios, the king

Seller=clearer=guarantor=R.e.=742e: Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah
 Buyer1: Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah
 Buyer2: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah

Commentary. The transaction involves three brothers in the role of buyers and seller respectively; it is maybe for this reason that no measurements of the property sold are provided.

The witness list is not arranged in columns but probably only one witness per line only was recorded.

No king's name probably followed the indication of the payment, since no sufficient room is extant on the tablet.

Obv. 10, *meš-hat-t[u]*; this spelling typical of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//SLU.

Note that on the right edge only one seal was impressed (in fact seller and guarantor are here the same individual). Thus, Mitchell, Searight 2008, #742 R2 is actually R.e. and no R1 exists; L2=L.e.1 and L.e.2=L1.

For the identification of the individuals bearing Greek names in this tablet, see Monerie 2014, pp. 40, 73, 139, 166, 203.

No. 103-RE. Plate CIII

Museum no.: BM 114410 (1920-6-15, 6)

Size: 9.8×10.8×3.0 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact (irregular)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 159.IX.21, (Demetrius I); silver (*qalû*), staters of Demetrius g.q.

Date BC: 153.XII.08

Bibl.: unpubl. Monerie 2014, pp. 38, 39, 135, 154, 198, 203; Monerie 2015

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #743.

Description (type of transaction): conditional sale *ana bīt rittūtu* of east-facing suite, in the (district of? the) Ehiliesu a.k.a. Ehilianna, in the Fortress of Uruk

- Obv. ¹ana-gal-^d6[0] a šá ¹dum-qí-^d60¹ a šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 a ¹kur-[i]
 é ^{im}iii é *dul-ba-ne-e-šú u ki-šub-ba-a-šú é rit-ti* [...]
 ina é hi.li.e.su šá e-ú é hi.li.an.na ki-tì 'x' [...]
 níg.ga ^d60 *ina lib-bi bād šá unug^{ki} 40 kùš uš an-ú* ^{im}[si.sá]
- (5) da sila *mu-taq un.meš 40 kùš uš ki-ú* ^{im}u₁₈ lu da é *rit-t[i]*
 šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{lu}na-din é u *ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš u da 2 5/6 kùš mu-[-šu-ú]*
 šá é u *ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš u mu-šu-ú šá* ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{lu}na-din [é]
 u *ki-šub-ba-a šá 2 5/6 kùš dagal-šú ù 52 kùš gid.da-šú šá x* [...]
 en sila *rap-šú mu-taq dingir.meš u lugal 16 kùš sag.ki an.ta* ^{im}mar.tu
- (10) da é *rit-ti šá* ¹ni-iq-qà-nu-ru a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 16 kùš sa[g.ki]
 ki.ta ^{im}kur.ra da é *rit-ti šá* ¹ú-bar a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-[mu]
^{lu}ir é.gal šu.nigin 40 kùš uš 16 kùš sag.ki *mi-¹ših-tu₄* [é]
 u *ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš é u ki-šub-ba-a mu.¹meš i-[-ši u ma-a-du]*
ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 8 1/2 gín k[ù].¹babbar¹ [qa-lu-ú]
- (15) *is-ta-tir-ra-an-nu šá* ¹de-e-mit-ri-si *ba[b-ba-nu-ú-tú a-na]*
 šám til.meš *a-na é rit-ti-ú-tú a-na* ¹[i-dat-^d60 šá mu-šú ii-ú]
¹ša-lam-ma-a a šá ¹ha-nin-na-¹ a šá ¹ri-hat-^d[gašan edin]
^{lu}e-piš *dul-lu im^{hi.a}šá é dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} [a-na u₄-mu]*
ša-a-tú it-tad-din kù.babbar a₄ 8 1/2 gín šám é [u ki-šub-ba-a]
- Rev *u mu-šu-ú-šú mu.meš til.meš* ¹ana-^dgal-^d60 *ina šu-ii* ¹[i-dat-^d60 *ma-hir]*
e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi é u ¹ki-[-šub-ba-a mu.meš]
^{1d}60-mu-nu a-šú *ú-mar-raq-qa-ma a-di 12-[ta].¹àm a-na¹ ¹i-dat-^d-[60]*
a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú ina-an-din pu-ú-ut a-[ha]-¹a-meš a-na mu-ru-ur-¹qu¹
¹é [u k]i-šub-ba-a mu.meš ¹ana-gal-^d60 ^{lu}na-¹din é u *ki-šub-ba-¹a*
 (25) [mu.meš u] ^{1d}60-mu-nu a-šú ^{lu}mu-mar-raq-qa-an-nu é u ¹ki-šub-¹ba-a
 [a]-¹na¹ ¹i-dat-^d60 a-na u₄-mu *ša-a-tú na-šu-ú* [é ^{im}iii]
 é *dul-ba-ne-e-šú x-xsu mu-šu-ú-šú u* ¹ki-šub-¹ba-a-šú
 mu.meš é *rit-ti šá* ¹i-dat-^d60 šá mu-šú ii-ú ¹ša-lam-ma-a
 a šá ¹ha-nin-na-¹ a šá ¹ri-hat-^d[gašan edin] ^{lu}e-piš *dul-lu*
 (30) *im^{hi.a} šá é dingir.meš šá unug^{ki} a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú*
^{lu}mu-kin₇ ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ša ^{1d}60-din-su-e
^{1d}60-¹šeš-mu¹-nu a šá ^{1d}60-¹šeš.meš-mu a šá ^{1d}60-¹šeš-mu-nu ¹nu.[téš]
¹a¹ šá ^{1d}60-¹šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu u ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a [...]
 a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a.meš ¹šeš-¹ú-tú ^{1d}utu-mu ¹a¹ [šá...]
- (35) a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}na-[na-a-mu]
¹dù-a a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur¹ ^{1d}60-d[in-iṭ]
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu u ¹sig a šá ¹ina-qí-¹[...]
¹i-^{1d}60-din-su-e a.meš ¹šeš-¹ú-tú
- (U.e.) ^{1d}60-din-iṭ ^{lu}umbisag a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹e-[kur-za-kir unug^{ki}]
- (40) ¹gan ud.21.kám mu-159.kám ¹[de-e-mit-ri-si lugal]
 un-qa ^{1d}utu-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-¹šeš-mu-nu
- L.e. un-qa ¹sig un-qa ¹nu.téš
 R.e. [...un-qa ^{1d}60-mu-nu a š[á ...] /¹[¹mu-¹ru-¹[...]¹é¹ [...]
 B.e. un-qa ¹na-na-a-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-din-iṭ un-[qa] ¹níg.[sum.mu-^d60]
 U.e. un-qa ^{1d}utu-mu un-qa ^{1d}60-¹šeš-mu-nu un-[qa] ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60]

Dossier. transfer of *bīt ritti*, Fortress of Uruk, clay workersTranslation. Ana-rabūti-Anu/Dumqi-Ani/Ana-rabūti-Anu//K voluntarily sold as a tenured property to Idat-Anu *alias* Šalammaya/

Haninnā/Rihat-bēlet-šēri, the worker in clay of the temples of Uruk, for the full price of 8 š of refined silver, g.q. staters of Demetrios: a east-facing suite, the house, its alley and its undeveloped plot, tenured house, ... in the Ehiliesu-temple a.k.a Ehilianna, ... Property of Anu, in the Fortress of Uruk: 40 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the street, thoroughfare of the people; 40 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the tenured property of Ana-rabûti-Anu, the seller of this house and undeveloped plot and adjoining the 2 5/6 cubits alley of this house and undeveloped plot and the alley of Ana-rabûti-Anu, the seller of this house; 2 5/6 cubits its width and 52 cubits its length ... (which) extends as far as the wide street, way of the gods and the king; 16 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the tenured property of Nikanor/Nidinti-Anu; 16 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the tenured house of Ubar/Anu-ahhē-iddin, the master builder; in total: 40 cubits the long sides, 16 cubits the short side, measurement of this house and undeveloped plot; this house and the undeveloped plot, as much as it is, all of it, in perpetuity. The silver: 8 š, full price of this house and undeveloped plot, and its alley, Ana-rabûti-Anu received from the hands Idat-Anu; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house and undeveloped plot, Anu-ittannu, his son, will clear it and will give it 12-fold to Idat-Anu, forever. Ana-rabûti-Anu the seller of this house and undeveloped plot, and Anu-ittannu, his son, the guarantor of this house and undeveloped plot, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house and undeveloped plot, to the advantage of Idat-Anu, in perpetuity. This house facing east, its passageway, ... its alley, and its undeveloped plot, belong as tenured property to Idat-Anu, *alias* Šalammaya/Haninnā/Rihat-bēlet-šēri, the worker in clay of the temples of Uruk, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.3/U.e.3=lost: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah¹²¹

W2=U.e.2=743a: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Ah

W3=L.e.2=743e: Lābāši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W4=B.e.3/U.e.3=lost: Nidinti-Anu/.../Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W5=U.e.1=743=lost: Šamaš-iddin/.../Ina-qibīt-Anu//H

W6=B.e.1=743c: Nanāya-iddin/.../Ināya//LA

W7=B.e.2=743d: Anu-uballit/Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah

W8=L.e.1=743b: Uppulu[?]/Ina-qi[?].../Anu-balāssu-iqbi//Ah

Scribe: Anu-uballit/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ. Uruk. Kislīmu, day 21, year 159, Demetrios, king

Seller=co-guarantor1=S-neighbour1=R.e.1=lost: Ana-rabûti-Anu/Dumqi-Ani/Ana-rabûti-Anu//K (tenured property)

Buyer: Idat-Anu *alias* Šalammaya/Haninnā/Rihat-bēlet-šēri, the worker in clay of the temples of Uruk

Clearer=co-guarantor2=lost=lost: Anu-ittannu/(Ana-rabûti-Anu/Dumqi-Ani/Ana-rabûti-Anu//K) son of the seller

N-neighbour: street thoroughfare for the people

S-neighbour: seller (tenured property: complex description)

W-neighbour: Nikanor/Nidinti-Anu (tenured property)

E-neighbour: Ubar/Anu-ahhē-iddin, the master builder (tenured house)

Commentary. See § 5.3, above. The tablet records the conditional sale (or transfer) of a house located in the area of the Fortress of Uruk, in the a district connected to the Ehiliesu, also called Ehilianna. Buyer is a clay worker of the temple (see **No. 102-RE**, above).

Obv. 3, é.hi.li.an.na: the shrine of Nanāya in Uruk is also mentioned in VS 15 13: 3 and 6,¹²² a contract dated ten years earlier than the present document, recording the purchase of a house, property of Anu, located in the Village district (note the variant spelling for the name of the temple used there: é.hi.il.an.na).¹²³ Interestingly, among the individuals bearing Greek names that are among the owners of properties neighbouring the main one there is a certain Nikanor (whose patronym is unfortunately not recorded). No reference to the other name (é.hi.li.e.su) of the temple is made there, nor is any other reference to this temple known in the corpus.

Obv. 8, dagal-šú; gíd.da-šú: the use of the logograms in this formula is to my knowledge not otherwise attested in the corpus from Hellenistic Uruk.

Obv. 9, en sila: only one other occurrence of this expression is known to me, see YOS 20 46: 19.

L.e.1=743b=’sig: the logographic form of this name is not otherwise attested; maybe the logographic rendering of the personal name *Uppulu*?

Although the tablet is fully written, with no intentional blanks between the text sections, the scribe did not properly estimate the available room and ran out of space, as is clear from the fact that the date formula flows onto the upper edge. Moreover, visible unintentional intralinear blanks can be noted between Obv. 7-8, 11-12 and 12-13.

Besides the irregularities in the layout of the tablet and the organisation of the space on the surface, an intentional use of logographic spelling instead of the more common syllabic ones can be noted (for the name of W8, as discussed above, and also in the unusual formula dagal-šú ... gíd.da-šú, in Obv. 8).

Mitchell, Searight 2008, #743 L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.1.

121 Note that in the WL, W1+W2+W3, W4 are listed together, with the family name referring to all of them at the end of the onomastic chain of W4.

122 George 1993, no. 459, pp. 98-99. On the bed chamber of the Ehilianna, i.e. the Ehilikuga, belonging to the temple of Nanāya, is mentioned in the ritual of the New Year festival in Uruk (TU39+40), see Linssen 2004, p. 192, commentary to l. 4. Linssen is not sure whether the Hilianna has to be located in the Eanna or in the Ešgal, but is more keen on the first possibility; conversely, since the Ešgal is frequently associated with the Village district in the contracts from Seleucid Uruk, this second option seems to me more plausible.

123 Note that the term is interpreted as an indication of a porticoed building (*bīt hilāni*) in HBTIN: P342466.

No. 104-RE. Plate CIV

Museum no.: BM 114424 (1920-06-15, 20)

Format: 2b, compact (irregular)

Size: 8.6×8.9×2.6 (S)

Date SE: 160.x.6⁺ Demetrius I; silver *qalû* g.q. (no staters mentioned)

Date BC: 152/151.x.x

Bibl.: unpubl.; Monerie 2014, pp. 155-156, 203

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #744.

Description (type of transaction): transfer *ana bīt rittūtu* of undeveloped plot, Property of Anu, tenured property in the Fortress of Anu aka the Village; NSWE+WENS

- Obv. [1^ha]-nin-na-a-ʾ a šá ʿa-bu-ú^{lú} x-x^ʿ re-du-ú-a-a ina hu-ud lib-bi-[šú]
 [ki]-šub-ba-a-šú é rit-ti-šú ina bàd šá^{d60} šá e-ú kap-ri šá qé-reb unug^{ki}
 16 kùš uš an-ú^{imsi}.sá da é ʿma-ak-ka-a a šá ʿir-ésag
^{lú}ki.lam.an^ʿ-nu ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš u da meš-hat ii-tu⁴ šá ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš
- (5) 16 kùš uš ki-ú^{imi} da sila mu-taq un.meš 16 kùš sag.ki ʿan.ta^ʿ im^ʿmar.tu⁴
 da mu-šu-ú šá ʿina-qī-bit-^{d60} a šá ʿil-lut-^{d60} 16 kùš sag.ki ʿki ʿ[ta] im^ʿkur.ra
 da é ʿi-dat-^{d60} a šá ʿri-hat-^{d60} meš-hat ii-tu⁴ šá ki-šub-ba-a m[u.meš]
 ʿ9 5/6 kùš^{imiv} da mu-šu-ú šá ʿina-qī-bit-^{d60} mu.meš 9 5/6 kùš [ʿimiii]
 da é ʿma-ak-ka-a mu.meš 9 5/6 kùš^{imii} da mu-šu-ú šá
- (10) ʿina-qī-bit-^{d60} mu.meš 9 kùš^{imi} da meš-hat ši-tu⁴ šá ki-šub-ba-a [mu.meš]
 šu.nigin uš.meš u sag.ki.meš mi-ših-tu⁴ ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš ki-šub-ba-a [mu.meš]
 i-ši u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 8 gín kù.babbar qa-lu-ú ʿbab^ʿ-[ba-nu-ú-tú]
 a-na šám til.meš a-na é rit-ti-ú-tú a-na ʿma-ak-ka-a a šá ʿir-és^ʿ[sag]
^{lú}ma-gal-la-a a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú it-tad-din kù.babbar a⁴ 8 gín šám ki-šub-b[a-a]
- (15) mu.meš til.meš ʿha-nin-na-ʿ^{lú}na-din-an mu.meš ina šu-ii ʿma-ak-ka-a
 ma-hir e-ṭir u⁴mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš [ik-kaš-ši-du]
 Rev. ʿmi-in-^dna-na-a^{lú}šeš-šú a šá ʿa-bu-ú^{lú} ʿmar-raq-qa-ma[...]
 a-na ʿma-ak-ka-a a-na u⁴-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-[meš a-na]
 mu-ur-ru-qa šá ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš ʿha-nin-na-ʿ mu.meš [a šá ʿa-bu-ú u]
- (20) ʿmi-in-^dna-na-a^{lú}šeš-šú ʿa-na ʿma-ak-ka-a a-na u⁴-[mu ša-a-tú]
 na-šu-ú ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš šá ʿma-ak-ka-a a šá ʿir-és[sag a-na u⁴-mu]
 ša-a-tú šu-ú^{lú}mu-kin⁷
 ʿina-qī-bit-^{d60} a šá ʿ^{d60}šeš-mu a šá ʿ^{d60}ik-šur [...] ^{lú}
^{d60}šeš.meš-mu a šá ʿbár-^{d60} a šá ʿ^{d60}šeš-gál-ši [...] ^{lú}
- (25) ʿ^{d60}numun-giš a šá ʿšá-^{d60}iš-ʿšú^ʿ-u a šá ʿnig.sum.mu-^{d60} [...] ^{lú}
 ʿnu.ʿtés^ʿ a šá ʿ^{d60}šeš-mu-nu x a ʿnu.tés a [...] ^{lú}
 ʿ^{d60}šeš-mu-nu a šá ʿ^{d60}numun-giš a ʿ^{d60}šeš-mu-nu a ʿ[...] ^{lú}
 ʿta^ʿ-nit-tu⁴-^{d60} a šá ʿnig.sum.mu-^{d60} a šá ʿta-nit-tu⁴-^{d60} ʿa ʿ[...]ʿú [...] ^{lú}
 ʿ^{d60}din-su-e a šá ʿtat-tan-nu a šá ʿ^{d60}šeš.meš-m[u a ʿ] [...] ^{lú}
- (30) ʿni-qu-la-wu⁸-su šá mu-šú ii-ú ʿri-hat-^{d60} ʿa ʿ[...] ^{lú}
 [ʿina]-qī-bit-^{d60} ʿumbisag a šá ʿ^{d60}din-iṭ a ʿx^ʿ-[...] ^{lú}
 [...]6.kám mu.160.kám ʿde-e-mit-ri-[...] ^{lú}
- L.e. un-qa ʿ^{d60}din-su-e un-qa ʿ^{d60}numun-giš
 R.e. un-qa ʿha-nin-na-ʿ^{lú}na-din-na ʿé [...] (written to the left of the seal impression)
 B.e. un-qa ʿina-qī-bit-^{d60} un-ʿqa ʿ^{d60}šeš.meš-mu ʿun^ʿ-[qa ʿta-nit-tu⁴-^{d60}]
 U.e. ʿun-qa [ʿni-q]u-ʿla-wu⁸-ú-su un-[qa] ʿ^{d60}šeš^ʿ-mu-nu [un-qa] ʿnu.tés

Dossier. Transfer *ana bīt rittūtu*. Fortress of Anu, district of the Village. Parchment maker.

Translation. Haninnā/ʿAbū (?) voluntarily sold as a tenured property to Makkaya/Arad-Rēš, the parchment maker, for the full price of 8 š of refined silver of g.q.: his undeveloped plot, Property of Anu, tenured property in the Fortress of Anu that is called Village, within Uruk: 16 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the house of Makkaya/Arad-Rēš, the buyer of this undeveloped plot and adjoining the second measurement of this undeveloped plot; 16 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the street, thoroughfare of the people; 16 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the alley of Ina-qibīt-Anu/Ilūt-Anu; 16 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the house of Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu; second measurement of this undeveloped plot: 9 and 5/6 cubits, to the west, adjoining the alley of this Ina-qibīt-Anu; 9 and 5/6 cubits, to the east, adjoining the house of the aforementioned Makkaya; 9 and 5/6 cubits, to the north, adjoining the alley of this Ina-qibīt-Anu; 9 cubits, to the south, adjoining the third measurement of this undeveloped plot. In total: the long and short sides, measurement of this undeveloped plot; this undeveloped plot, as much as it, all of it, in perpetuity. The silver, 8 š, full price of this undeveloped plot, Haninnā, the aforementioned seller, received from the hands of Makkāya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this undeveloped plot, Min-Nanāya, his brother, son of ʿAbū, will clear... and give to Makkāya, forever. Haninnā, ʿAbū and Min-Nanāya, his brother, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this undevel-

oped plot, to the advantage of Makkāya, in perpetuity. This undeveloped plot belongs to Makkaya/Arad-Rēš, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=B.e.1=744f: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-ikšur//...
 W2=B.e.2=744b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši//...
 W3=L.e.2=744c: Anu-zēru-līšir/Ša-Anu-iššū/Nidinti-Anu//...
 W4=U.e.3=744d: Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Lâbâši//...
 W5=U.e.2=744e: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-zēru-līšir/Anu-ahu-ittannu//...
 W6=B.e.3=744: Tanittu-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//H(?)
 W7=L.e.1=744a: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Tattannu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//...
 W8=U.e.1=lost: Nikolaos *alias* Rihat-Anu/...

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-uballiṭ//... (Uruk, ... day x)+6, year 160. Demetrios, the king.

Seller=co-guarantor1=N-neighbour=R.e.1=lost: Haninnā/Abū ... *reduaya*
 Buyer: Makkaya/Arad-Rēš, the parchment maker
 Clearer=co-guarantor2=R.e.2=744g: Min-Nanāya/Abū, brother of the seller
 N-neighbour1-l= seller (house)
 N-neighbour2-l= 2nd measurement
 N-neighbour-II: Ina-qibīt-Anu/(Illūt-Anu) (alley)
 S-neighbour-I: alley thoroughfare of the People
 S-neighbour-II: 3rd measurement(?)
 W-neighbour-I: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Illūt-Anu (alley)
 W-neighbour-II: Ina-qibīt-Anu/(Illūt-Anu) (alley)
 E-neighbour-I: Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu (house)
 E-neighbour-II: Makkaya/Arad-Rēš, buyer (house)

Commentary. For this tablet in connection with the dossier of the properties located in the Village district see § 5.4, above, where also its connection to **No. 97-RE** is explored.

The district where the property is located is referred to here as ‘Fortress of Anu that is called Village, within Uruk’ (Obv. 2).

For the *magallaya* see **Nos. 100-RE//101-RE**, above.

Note that although the sale is described as conditional (Obv. 13-14), the transfer of ownership clause does not include the formula *ana bīt rittūtu*.

Rev. 22, ^{lú}*mu-kin*₇: follows the end of the contract formulation. This location is anomalous (the label usually stands either in a single line = split format, or in the same line as the first witness = compact format). A plausible scenario is that the scribe forgot it and began writing the witness list; when he realised he had forgotten the label, he added it where some room was still available.

The WL is arranged in columns that are however irregular.

U.e.1 and W8: the name of Nikolaos is spelled with an extra *ú* on the R.e.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, #744 L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.1.

W8=U.e.1=lost: from the extant traces and given the particular shape of what remains of the seal impression, the missing impression must have been that of the seal used by Nikolaos himself in **No. 97-RE**, i.e. that of #738c.

No. 105-RE. Plate CV

Museum no.: BM 114416 (1920-6-15, 12)

Size: 8.9×10.8×3.2 (M)

Format: type 1/2a, split

Date SE: lost; silver *qalû*, no staters mentioned

Date BC: lost

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #751

Description (type of transaction): transfer *ana bīt rittūtu* of house in the Village district. NSW

- Obv. [...]
 [...] (illegible traces extant)
 [...ka]p-ri šá é dingir. meš ki-ti é[éš.gal šá qé-reb unug^{ki} (?)]
 uš an-ú^{imsi}.sá da é rit-t[i ...]
- (5') uš ki-ú^{imu₁₈}.lu da ki-šub-ba-a' [...]
 a-na¹ha-nin-na-'¹⁶na-din é 'mu.meš x' [...]
 šá é 'mu.meš šá 'a-bu-ú? ama-su šá AD TA ú unug^{ki} -mu/nu? [...]
 'šá é 'mu.meš sag.ki an.ta^{im}mar.tu da ki-šub-ba 'mim'-[ma]
 [šá i]k-kaš-ši-du a-na¹ha-nin-na-a-'¹⁶na-din é mu.meš u 'da'
- (10') é u mu-šu-ú šá é rit-ti šá 'ra-ú-ma-'¹⁶kù.dim
 sag.ki ki.ta^{im}kur.ra da é rit-ti šá¹ha-nin-na-a-'
 mu.meš u da é rit-ti šá¹i-dat-^d60 a šá¹ri-hat-^d60 šu.nigin
 uš.meš u sag.ki.meš mi-ših-tu₄ é mu.meš é mu.meš i-ši
 u ma-a-du ma-la ba-šu-ú gab-bi a-na 13 gín ù 1/2 gín [kù.babbar]
- (15') 'qa-lu-ú a-na šám til.meš a-na é rit-'ti-ú-tú a'-[na]
 [man-nu]-ka-a a 'šá¹ir-^{és}sag¹⁶ma-gal'-[la-a a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú]
 [it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 13 gín ù 1/2 gín kù.babbar]
- Rev. [šám] é mu.meš til.meš¹ha-nin-na-a-'¹ina šu-ii¹man-nu-ka-a [ma-hir]
 [e-šir] u₄-mu pa-qa-ri a-na muh-hi é mu.meš it-tab-šu-ú¹i-d[at-^d60]
- (20') [še]š-šú a šá¹a-bi-ú-a ú-mar-raq-qa-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na
 [man-nu-ka-a a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú ina-an-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-a-meš
 a-na mu-ru-ur-qu šá é mu.meš¹ha-nin-na-a-'¹⁶na-din é
 mu.meš u¹i-dat-^d60 šeš-šú¹⁶mu-mar-raq-qa-an-nu é mu.meš
 a-na¹man-nu-ka-a a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú na-šu-ú é mu.meš
- (25') é rit-ti šá¹man-nu-ka-a a šá¹ir-^{és}sag¹⁶ma-gal-la-a
 a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
 'mu'-kin₇
^{1d}60-'din-'su' a šá^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá¹ir²-nu-šⁱ-^d60' (?)
 a šá^{1d}60-'ad'-šeš a.meš¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur [...]
- (30') [...]ama-arhuš a šá¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 'x' [...]
 [...] i-[x]-'x'-kir meš u '[...]
- rest lost

U.e. [lost]

B.e. [un-qa] '[... un-qa] 'ha-nin-na-'¹[un-qa] 'ir-[^{és}sag]R.e. [...] 'meš/din?' 'x' un-qa¹i-[dat-^d60]¹⁶mu-[...] é 'mu'.[...]L.e. [un]-qa [...] 'kal²-^d60 un-qa [ina-qí]-bit-^d60*Dossier.* Transfer *ana bīt rittūtu*, district of the Village. Parchment makers

Translation. (Haninnā/Abū ...) has sold forever as a tenured property to Mannukaya/Arad-rēš, the parchment maker, for the full price of 13 š and 1/2 š of refined silver: ... Village of the gods, in the district of the Ešgal temple, within Uruk: the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the tenured property ...; the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the undeveloped lot of ... to Haninnā, the seller of this house ... of this house which Abū, mother of Atta'u ...; upper short side, to the west, adjoining all the undeveloped plot that belongs to Haninnā, the seller of this house and adjoining the alley of the tenured house of Raumā, the *itinnu* (?); the lower short side, to the east, adjoining the tenured house of this Haninnā and adjoining the tenured property of Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu; in total: the long and short sides, measurement of this house, this house as much as it is, the all of it. The silver 13 š and 1/2 š, full price of this house, Haninnā has received from the hands of Mannukaya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this house, Idat-Anu/Abu, his brother, will clear it from claims and 12-fold will give to Mannukaya, forever. Haninnā, the seller of this house and Idat-Anu, his brother, the guarantor, mutually guarantee for the clearing from claims of this house, to the advantage of Mannukaya, in perpetuity. This house is the tenured property of Mannukaya/Arad-rēš, the parchment maker, forever.

Witnesses:

W1: Anu-uballissu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Arad-nuši-Anu(?)

W2?: .../Anu-abu-ušur//LA

W?: Arad-ama-arhuš/Ina-qibīt-Anu ...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=B.e.2=Haninnā

W?=L.e.2=751b: ...-Anu

W?=L.e.3: Ina-qibīt-Anu

Seller=S/W/E-neighbour= Haninnā/'Abu (undeveloped plots)

Buyer: Mannukaya/Arad-rēš

N-neighbour: lost

W-neighbour2= Raummā, the *itinnu* (access way of the tenured house)

E-neighbour-1: Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu (house)

Commentary. For this tablet in connection with the dossier of the properties located in the Village district see § 5.4, above.

Despite the poor condition of the tablet, it is clear that the seller and buyer are the same as in **No. 104-RE**: most notable is the different spellings used for the names of the protagonists. Here again despite the sale is described as conditional (Obv. 15-17), the transfer of ownership clause does not include the formula *ana bīt rittūtu*.

Rev. 22, *mu-ru-ur-qu* : same spelling as in **No. 103-RE**.

In **No. 104-RE** Mannukaya buys a plot neighbouring a house he already owns, to its east. On that same side is the house of Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu. Should we see the house bought by Mannukaya here as the same described in **No. 104-RE**?

Haninnā/'Abu is known from a number of documents in the corpus from Uruk, e.g, BibMes 24 22; NCTU 22; NCTU 20; VS 15 22. All the tablets in the BM where he is involved belong to the 114 group.

Only in the present document is recorded the name of 'Abū's father.

Nikolaos: seal AUWE 19, no. 1100N Idat-Anu/Rihat-Anu, one of the neighbour, could be the son of Rihat-Anu=Nikolaos?

No. 106-P. Plate CVI

Museum no.: BM 93004=W. 114 (1856-09-03, 1519)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: ..., Demetrius (I?)

Date BC: 161-151 (?)

Copy: Bertin 2914-2915

Bibl.: Oppert, Mènant 1877, pp. 315-320; HANE/M 8, pp. 379-381; Monerie 2014, pp. 40, 43, 73, 154; Pearce, HBTIN, P342417

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #747

Description (type of transaction): sale of *ērib bītūtu* prebend

Dossier. Lâbâši (AZI/AU/AZI//EZ)

Witnesses:

W1=L.e.1=lost: Lâbâši/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu//Ah

W2=U.e.2=747c: Isidoros/Ephaistion

W3=B.e.2=747b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Ištar/Anu-ahhē-iddin, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

W4=B.e.1=747d: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-erība//K

W5=U.e.3=lost: Anu-abu-ušur/Nidinti-Anu/Ubar//K

W6=B.e.3=747a: Anu-mukīn-apli/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-zēru-iddin, alphabetic scribe of the Property of Anu

W7=L.e.3=lost: Illūt-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Dannat-Bēlti//LA

W8=U.e.1=lost: Dukurbile/Anu-uballissu/Rihat-Ištar//...

W9=L.e.2=lost: Dumqi-Anu/Arad-rēš/Dumqi-Anu, doorkeeper

Scribe: ... Šamaš-ētir//EZ

Seller=R.e.1=lost: 'Rubuttu/Anu-uballit/Nidinti-Anu//Ah

Consent=R.e.2=lost: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Antipatros//Ah (her husband)

Buyer: Anu-zēru-iddin/Anu-uballit/Anu-zēru-iddin//EZ

Commentary. The tablet is edited in Oppert, Mènant 1877, pp. 315-320. See also HANE/M 8, pp. 379-381, with discussion (pp. 29-30).

Corresponds to Loftus 1 and Oppert 5. For the identification of this text as Loftus 1, see above § 1.1.

The document includes the final statement that it is a memorandum for prebends that the buyer purchased earlier with a document issued on parchment.

No. 107-?. Plate CVII

Museum no.: K. 4790

Size: fragmentary

Format: n-a

Place: Uruk

Date: SE 151-161, Demetrius I

Date BC: 161-151

Bibl.: Monerie 2014, p. 204 (names)

Seals: n-a

Description (type of transaction): not preserved

Obv.	(lost)		
Rev.	(unknown number of lines lost)		
(1')	[	a] 'šá 'níg.sum'-[mu- ^d 60(?)]
	[	] a šá ^{1d} 60-ad-šeš	a šá 'nu.[téš
	[	] -mu a šá ^{1d} 60-din-iṭ	a šá ^{1d} na-n[a-a-mu(?)
	[	] a šá ^{1d} 60-din-su-e	a šá ^{1d} [
(5')	[	] a šá ¹ su-mut-tu ₄ - ^d 60	a šá ^{1d} 60-nu[mun-giš(?)
(blank)	[	]'ina-qí-bit- ^d 60 ¹ u ^u mbisag a šá ^{1d} utu-sur a 'é-kur-za-kir un[ug ^{ki}]
	[	]'di-mit-ri-su lu[gal]]

Dossier. n-a*Translation.* (...)

Witnesses:

W1': .../.../Nidinti-Anu(?)/.../...

W2': .../Anu-abu-ušur/Lâbâši(?)/...

W3': ...-iddin/Anu-uballiṭ/Nanāya-iddin//...

W4': .../Anu-balāssu-iqbi/.../...

W5': .../Sumuttu-anu/Anu-zēru-līšir(?)/...

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir//EZ. Uruk. ... Demetrios, the king

Commentary. Despite its extremely fragmentary nature (only 5 lines of the witness list and parts of the first and second line of the date formula are preserved) the name of the king preserved in the date formula allows for its dating to the reign of Demetrius (I or II). The particular spelling preserved in this Tablet (*'di-mit-ri-su*) is not very common in the Uruk legal corpus (see recently Monerie 2014, s.v.); to my knowledge, it occurs only in VDI 1955/4 3 (SE 159) and TCL 13 246 (SE 161), both written by a scribe named Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir//EZ. It is therefore possible to reconstruct the scribe's name in K. 4790 as that of Ina-qibīt-Anu, and to recognize this spelling as a peculiarity of his own.

In addition, since both VDI 1955/4 no. 3 and TCL 13 246 date to the reign of Demetrius I and as far as we know no extant contract is dated to the reign of Demetrius II it is tempting to ascribe this fragment too to the reign of Demetrius I and to set its date in the ten years between SE 151 and 161.¹²⁴

¹²⁴ Cf. Del Monte 1997, pp. 241-242; Monerie 2010, pp. 79-81. HBTIN, proper names, s.v. Demetrios.

No. 108-RE. Plate CVIII

Museum no.: BM 105175 (1913-4-16, 7)

Size: 8.6×7.5×2.6 (fragmentary, n.d.)

Format: type 2a, compact (?)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: earlier than 161

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.; Mitchell, Searight 2008, #767. Monerie 2014, pp. 132, 137, 147, 168, 169 (names)

Description (type of transaction): gift of *kišubbû* in the district of the Šamaš Gate

- Obv. [1^{ri}-hat-^d60] ʾa šá^d60²-šeš²- [...] *si*
 ʾina hu-ud lib⁻bi-šú ki-šub-ba-a-šú ki-[tì ká.gal^dutu šá qé-reb unug^{ki}]
 20 kùš uš an-ú^{im}si.sá da ki-šub-[ba-a šá PN a šá PN 20 kùš]
 uš ki-ú^{im}u₁₈.lu da ki-šub-ba-a šá [...] [
 (5) u da ki-šub-ba-a šá^d60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ʾnu[mun²]-[ia² ...]
 ʾnu.téš ʾde-e-mit-ri-su a šá ʾa[r-ki-ʾa ... 11 kùš sag.ki an.ta]
^{im}mar.tu da é^dna-na-a-m[u a šá PN...]
 11 kùš sag.ki ki.ta^{im}kur.ra [da...]
 šu.nigin 20 kùš uš 11 kùš sag.k[i meš-hat ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš]
 (10) ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš i-ši u ma-a⁻du ma-la ba⁻š[u-ú gab-bi a-na]
 ri-mut-ú-tú a-na ʾde-e-mit-ri-su a [šá ʾa]r-k[i-ʾa]
¹⁰pa-li-ih šá ʾzu-ú-ur-su¹²⁵ a šá ʾqi-ʾip-lu-ú-nu
 ana u₄-mu ša-a-tú it-ta-din ul i-šal-lat-ma ʾri-ha[t-^d60...]
 ki-šub-ba-a mu.meš a-na kù.babbar a-na ri-[mut]-ú-tú a-na [nu-dun-nu?]
 (15) a-na dù-eš ma⁻na⁻ma gab-bi a-na¹⁰man-n[a]m ša⁻nam⁻[ma gab-bi e-lat]
 a-na ʾde-e-mit-ri-su ul ʾid⁻din [ul i-nam-din]
 Rev. u ki-i ʾid-din² [u ki-i it-tan-nu ul gub-zu u ú-šal-lam]
 i-nam-din ʾri-hat^{-d}[60 šá la di.ku₅ u la ha-ra-ra a-na]
 ʾde-e-mit-ri-su m[u.meš x ma.na kù.babbar ki-šub-ba-a šá
 (20) ʾde-e-mit-ri-su mu.meš ʾa² [šá ʾar-ki-ʾa a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú]
 [ʾm]u-kin₇ ʾde-šeš.meš-mu a šá [...] [
 a šá ʾbár-^d60 a šá ʾšá-^d60-iš-šú-ú [...] [
 ʾa šá^d60-din-su-e u ʾnu.téš a šá ʾde-šeš-gál-[šá...]
 ʾde-šeš-šú-^d60 a šá ʾi-dat-^d60 a ša ʾsu-⁻mut⁻[tu₄-^d60...]
 (25) ʾde-šeš-šú-^d60 a šá ʾna-na-a-mu a šá ʾde-šeš-šú-ú [...] [
 ʾna-na-a-mu a šá ʾnig.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ʾx⁻[... ...]
 ʾa² šá ʾa-pu-⁻us/ul²-⁻x²-x-x⁻-meš [...]
- L.e. un-[qa] ʾnu.téš u[n-qa] ʾšá-^d60-iš-šú-ú
 R.e. (lost)
 B.e. un-qa [...] un-[qa...]
 U.e. (lost)

Dossier. Greek names

Translation. Rihat-Anu/Anu²-ahu²... voluntarily gave as gift to Demetrios/Arki'a, the performer of Zoros(?)/Kephalon, his undeveloped plot, in the district of the Šamaš Gate, within Uruk: 20 cubits, the upper long side, to the north, adjoining the undeveloped plot of ...; 20 cubits, the lower long side, to the south, adjoining the undeveloped plot of ... and adjoining the undeveloped plot of Anu-ahhē-iddin/Zēriya(?) ... descendent of Demetrios/Arkias ... 11 cubits, the upper short side, to the west, adjoining the house of Nanāya-iddin ...; 11 cubits, the lower short side, to the east, ...; in total: 20 cubits the widths, 11 cubits the lengths, measurement of this undeveloped plot: the undeveloped plot, as much as it, the whole of it, forever. He shall have no power of disposition. Rihat-Anu ... has not given nor shall give this undeveloped plot as a gift, as dowry, for whatsoever need(?), to whosoever else other than Demetrios; and if he gave it or shall give it, it will not stand by it and will not be valid and will give without process and contestation to the aforementioned Demetrios x m of silver; this undeveloped plot belongs forever to Demetrios/Arkias.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-ahhē-iddin/...

W2=??: .../Kidin-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû

W3=??: .../Anu-balāssu-iqbi/...

W4'=L.e.1: Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ušabši ...

125 Spelled differently than in Rutten.

W5'=?=: Anu-zēru-iddin/Idat-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu...

W6'=?=: Ahhēšu-Anu/Nanāya-iddin/Anu-...

W7'=?=: Nanāya-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/...

W8'=?=: .../Ap.../...

Witnesses from the edges:

W?=L.e.2=767b: Ša-Anu-iššû

Commentary. See AO 17265 = Bab. 15 n. 7, which features the same party. Probably the document precedes Bab. 15 n. 7 (see also Monerie 2014, p. 137; but note that the property is located in the district of the Šamaš Gate).

For individuals with Greek names, see Monerie 2014, s.v. Archias and especially Demetrios⁽¹⁾. Also mentioned under Syros⁽²⁾. Monerie dates Archias to the beginning of the 2nd century BC. since he is the father of Demetrios, who is mentioned in Rutten (Bab. 15 7) dated to 161 SE.

Mitchell, Searight 2008 speak of “Greek seals”.

Obv. 6: the Mr sign was forgotten by the scribe and added on the left edge; only slight traces are still available (visible on the tablet, not on the photograph).

No. 109-P. Plate CIX

Museum no.: BM 114406 (1920-6-15, 2) // Iraq 59 38

Size: 10.2x12+x2.6 (L)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 162.IV.02, Alexander Balas; no mention of staters; only silver g.q.

Date BC: 150.VII.21

Bibl.: Monerie 2014, pp. 40, 43, 73, 154 (names)

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #747

Description (type of transaction): sale of food prebend

- Obv. ¹nu.téš a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu] 'a' šá ¹ni-iq-q[*f-ar-qu-su*]
 'a' ¹šeš-'-ú-tú [ina hu-ud lib-bi-šú giš.šub.ba]-šú šá ik-kaš-ši-[*du-šú*]
 [ina] re-bu-ú ina [ha.la ina ši-iš-šú šá 1-en u₄ mu ina ud.x.kám šá iti-us-su giš.šub.ba-šú ina] ^{uzi.giš}kun.meš
 [šá] gu₄ ^{hi.a}'a' [udu^{hi.a} mušen^{hi.a} ù udu^{hi.a} sila₄ ^{hi.a} š] á a-na ^{giš}banšur šá ^d[pap.sukkal(?)]
 (5) 'ù' a-na ^r ^{giš}' [banšur šá ^dgašan edin e₁₁-ú 60-'-ú] u šal-šú ina mi-šil šá 60-'-ú]
 [šá 1-en] 'u₄ -mu ina ud.20''-kám šá iti'-us-[su giš.šub.ba-šú ^{ku}ku] 'é'-ú-tú šá ^d60 u an-tu₄ mi-šil šá 'x'
 [šá] qa-a-a-tu₄.meš¹²⁶ šá é ^dpap.sukkal šá ik-'kaš'-[ši-du i-na ud.] 4.kám šá ^{uzi}sig₄ ina ud.4.kám
 [šá ¹]ne u ina ud.4.kám šá¹²⁷ ^{iti}'ab' [r]e-bu-ú ha.la-šú ina ši-iš-šú ina ^{uzi}ba'-šal-al-la u [...]
 [x] x it-tu₄ dingir.meš šá ^dgašan edin šá qa-a-a-tu₄.meš šá é.an.na šá ik-kaš-ši-du-šú ina ud.5.kám šá ^{iti}[x]
 (10) [ina u]d.5-<kám> šá ^{iti}kin ina ud'.5.kám šá ^{iti}ab re-bu-ú ina ši-iš-šú ha.la-šú ina (erasure)
 udu.nita gal-ú šá ina ud.16.kám šá ^{iti}ab šá mu.an.na-us-su dù-uš-š[ú]
 [ina] igi ab-ri šá ^d60 giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš šá iti-us-su kal-la m[u.an.na]
 gu-uq-qa-né-e ud.èš.èš.meš u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba.meš m[u.meš]
 ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki šeš.meš-šú u en.meš ha.la.meš-šú gab-bi a-[na]
 (15) 7 gín (erased) kù.babbar bab-ba-nu-ú a-na šám til.meš a-na ^{eriš}tu₄-^dna-na-[a]
 dumu.munus šá 'ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 dam ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ¹ni-iq-qí-ar-qu-su-nu¹²⁸ a ¹'šeš-'-ú-tú a-na
 [u₄-mu] 'ša-a'-tú it-ta-din kù.babbar a₄ 7 gín [šám gi]š.šub.ba.[meš]
 mu.meš til.meš ¹nu.téš ^{1u}na-din-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš ina šu-ii ^{eriš}tu₄-^dna-na-a'
 (20) ma-hir e-ṭir u4-mu pa-qa-ri a-na! muh-hi giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš it'-tab-šu-ú
¹nu.téš ^{1u}na-din-na giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš ú-mar-raq-ma a-di 12-ta.àm a-na
^{eriš}tu₄-^dna-na-a¹²⁹ a-na u4-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din giš.šub.ba.meš mu.meš šá ^{eriš}[tu₄-^dna-na-a]
 [dumu.munus] šá 'ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 dam ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu 'a ¹'šeš-'-ú-tú a-na u4-mu ša-a-tú šú-nu
 (25) ^{1u}mu-kin₇ 'du-a a šá ^{1d}60-ik-šur a šá ¹bár-^d60 a <[>kur-i
¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ¹bár-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
¹ta-'nit'-tu₄-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-ad-šeš a ¹šu-^d60
¹'níg.sum.mu-^d60' a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹šeš-'-[ú-tú]
^{1d}[60-šeš-mu]-nu a šá ¹šá-^d60-iš-šú-ú a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹hun-[zu-ú]
 (30) [¹]ta-[nit-tu₄]-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-din-su-e a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹hun-z[ú-ú]
 [¹]d60-'din-it' a šá ¹il-lut-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-din-su a ^{1d}30-[ti-ér]
¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a šá ¹nu.téš a šá ^{1d}60-gi
 (3-4 signs voluntarily cancelled by the scribe)
 (blank)
^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1u}umbisag a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
 unug^{ki} ^{iti}šu ud.2.kám mu.162.kám 'a-lik-sa-[an-dar lugal]
 R.e. [un-qa ¹nu.téš ^{1u}na-din-na]
 B.e. [un]-qa ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu un-qa 'ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 u[n-qa] 'ina-qí-bit-^d60
 L.e. [un]-'qa' 'ta-nit-tu₄-[^{1d}60 un-qa ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60]
 U.e. un-'qa' 'du[a] un-qa [¹níg.sum.mu-^d60] un-[qa] ^{1d}60-din-i[ṭ]

Translation. Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bêlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah voluntarily sold to 'Erišti-Nanāya/Tanittu-Anu wife of Anu-bêlšunu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bêlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah, his prebend, that pertains to him, in one-fourth in the share (of) one-sixth of one day, on day x, which is monthly, his prebend in the loins of the bulls, sheep, birds and lambs which is offered to the altar of Papsukkal(?) and to the altar of Bēlet-šēri; 1/60 and one-third in one half of 1/60 of one day, on day 20(?), which is monthly, his *eb* prebend of Anu

126 Written over another sign.

127 The scribe forgot the sign and added it, in smaller writing, between the two lines, exactly on top of where it would have been expected to stay (i.e. between kám and iti).

128 Omitted from Iraq 59 38 according to Jursa's copy.

129 Added in smaller writing on top of a for a-na.

and Antu, one-half of ... of the parched grain? that pertains to the temple of Papsukkal, on day 4 of Simānu, on day 4 of Abu and on day 4 of ʾEḫbētu one fourth (of his share) in one-sixth of the (cooked and raw meat?) of the temples of Bēlet-šēri of the parched grain of the Eanna that pertain to him: on day 5 of ... on day 5 of Ulūlu on day 5 of ʾEḫbētu one fourth in one sixth, his share in the great sheep that on day 16 of ʾEḫbētu, which is done for him(?) yearly before the brushwood pile of Anu; those prebends, which are monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offering, the *eššešû* days, and whatever pertains to those prebends, that is with his brothers and all his co-owners, for 7 š of gq silver as the full price, in perpetuity. The silver, 7 š, full price of those prebends, Lâbâši, the seller of those prebends, received from the hands of ʾErišti-Nanāya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regards to those prebends, Lâbâši, the seller of those prebends, will clear it 12-fold, forever and will give to ʾErišti-Nanāya in perpetuity. Those prebends belong to ʾErišti-Nanāya/Tanittu-Anu wife of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=lost: Mukīn-apli/Anu-ikšur/Kidin-Anu//K

W2=L.e.2=lost/U.e.2=747c: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//EZ

W3=L.e.1=lost: Tanittu-Anu/Anu-ittannu/Anu-abu-ušur//GA

W4=L.e.2=lost/U.e.2=747c: Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Anu-ahu-ittannu//Ah

W5=B.e.1=747d: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ša-Anu-iššû/Nidinti-Anu//H

W6=B.e.2=747b: Tanittu-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Nidinti-Anu//H

W7=U.e.3=lost: Anu-uballit/Ilūt-Anu/Anu-uballissu//SLU

W8=B.e.3=747a: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Lâbâši/Anu-ušallim

Scribe: Anu-bēlšunu/Nidinti-Anu//EZ. Uruk Dûzu, day 2, year 162, Alexander, the king

Seller=clearer=(Ri.e.)=lost: Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah

Buyer: ʾErišti-Nanāya/Tanittu-Anu W of Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu/Nikarchos//Ah

Commentary. Mitchell's 'possible duplicate, part of the Harding Smith's Collection' (Mitchell, Searight 2008, p. 232, #747) is to be identified with the tablet, now in the Birmingham's Museum and Art Gallery, published by Jursa (= Iraq 59 38; for the identification see Jursa 1997, p. 98). See also HANE/M 8, pp. 376-378.

Both **No. 109-P** and Iraq 59 38 are partially broken; while they complement each other a few details still remain obscure.

The sale is within the family: the buyer is the seller's sister in law (she is married to the brother of the seller).

No. 110-P. Plate CX

Museum no.: BM 114420 (1920-6-15, 16)

Size: 8.9×9.5×2.6 (M)

Format: type 2a, compact

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 162.X.23, Alexander Balas

Date BC: 149.II.04

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #748

Description (type of transaction): lease of prebend

- Obv. ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹dum-qí-^d60 a šá ¹ana-gal-^d60 a ¹ku[r-i ina h]u-ud lib-bi-šú a-na ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ¹nu.téš a šá ¹inanna-mu-kám a ¹šeš-¹-ú-tú ina ¹mil-k[i šá] ¹ina-e-a ama šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu mu.meš dumu.munus šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a ¹šeš-¹-ú-tú iq-bi um-ma 12-¹-ú šá u₄-mu ina 1-en u₄-mu ina ud.13.kám giš.šub.ba-ka ^{1u}gir¹.[x]-ú-tú šá ina igi ^{1d}60 an-tu₄
- (5) en.líl ¹pap.sukkal ¹inanna ¹gašan edin ¹na-na-a [¹gašan] šá sag ¹šar-r[a]-hi-i-tu₄ u dingir.meš é.meš-šú-nu gab-bi šá iti-us-su kal mu.an.na gu-uq-qa-né-¹e¹ ud éš.éš.[meš] u mim-ma gab-bi šá a-na giš.šub.ba mu.meš ¹ik-kaš-ši-du šá ki ^{1u}šeš.meš-ka u en.¹meš¹ ha.la.meš-ka gab-bi giš.šub.ba mu.meš [a-na ^{1u}]re¹-si-nu-ú-tú en muh-hi 20 mu.an.na.meš bi-i-[n-nam-ma re-si-nu]-ú-tú-ka lu-pu-uš ša ba-aṭ-lu
- (10) la šá-<ka>-an u si-[]-x¹-ú-tú x²-ka giš.šub.ba mu.meš lib-bu-u []giš.šub.ba.meš u₄-mu šu-ú ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu mu.meš iš-[mu-šu-ma]lib-bu-ú mim-ma šá ú-ba-¹ú ina šu-ii-šú-n[]-ta² [] ul i-šal-lat-ma ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-m[u] ¹mu.meš giš¹.[šub.ba]u-tu₄-qu ina šu-ii ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 mu.meš
- (15) []-x na-šú² u a-di la 20 mu.an.na.meš []'x x x' u a-na ^{1u}man-am ša-nam-ma it-ta-nu []-nam-din šá la di.ku₅ u la har-ra-ra
- Rev ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu mu.meš a-na ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60] mu.meš 1 ma.na kù.babbar u ki-i ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 mu.meš ba-at-al iš-šak-kan u s[i-man-nu u]l-te-ti-i[q]-x¹ giš.šub.ba mu.meš
- (20) la it-tan-nu ú-šal-lam i-nam-[] har-ra-ra ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 ¹mu.meš¹ a-na ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu¹ mu.meš 1 ma.na kù.babbar u ¹mim-ma¹ šá ^{1u}paq-du šá é dingir.meš u ^{1u}ukkin šá unug^{ki} im-mi-du-šú ¹i-zi-bi-il u giš.šub.ba mu.meš šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a-na ¹u₄-mu ša¹-a-tú ¹šú¹-nu ^{1u}mu-kin₇ ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ¹x x x-su ^{1d}60-din-su-e
- (25) a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu u ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹ta-nit-tu₄-^d60 a šá ^{1d}utu-mu-nu a.meš ¹šeš-¹-ú-tú ¹nu.téš a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir ^{1d}60-ad-gur a šá ^{1d}60-¹numun¹-[mu] a šá ^{1d}60-ad-gur u ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{1d}60-šeš-mu a.meš ¹hun-zu-ú ^{1d}60-šeš.¹meš¹-mu a šá ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60
- (30) a šá ¹d⁶⁰-šeš-mu a ¹kur-i ¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ^{1u}umbisag¹ a šá ^{1d}utu-sur a ¹é-kur-[za-kir] unug^{ki} ^{1u}ab ud.23.kám mu.162¹³⁰.kám ¹a-lik-sa-¹an-dar lugal¹
- U.e. un-qa ^{1d}60-en-šú-¹nu¹ un-qa ^{1d}60-din-su-[e] un-qa ¹nu.téš
B.e. un-qa [^d60]-ad-gur un-qa ¹níg.sum.[mu-^d60] un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu
R.e. un-qa ¹níg.sum.m[u-^d60] un-qa ¹d⁶⁰-šeš.meš-mu un-qa ¹ina-e-a ama-šú
L.e. ¹níg.s]um.mu-^d60 un-qa ^{1d}60-šeš.meš-mu

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Nidinti-Anu/Dumqi-Anu/Ana-rabûti-Anu//K voluntarily told Anu-ahhē-iddin/Lâbâši/lštar-šuma-ēreš//Ah, with the advice of ¹Ina-qibītiya(?)/Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah, mother of the aforementioned Anu-ahhē-iddin: give me for 20 years to perform 1/12 of a day in one day on day 13, your ... prebend which is before Anu, Antu, Enlil, Papsukkal, Ištar, Bēlet-šēri, Nanāya, Bēlet-ša-Rēš, Šarrahītu and all the gods of their temples, which is monthly throughout the year, the *guqqû* offerings, the *eššešu* days and whatever pertains to that prebend, which is with your brothers and all your co-owners. I will perform your service in relation to which I will not interrupt the service and will not miss the deadlines ... that prebend, in as much as ... (owner of?) prebends. That day, Anu-ahhē-iddin heard him ... everything that is under his power of disposition. He will not transfer it. That Anu-ahhē-iddin ... that prebend ... from the hands of the aforementioned Nidinti-Anu ... and until the completion of those 20 years ... to whoever else performer ... Anu-ahhē-iddin will give without lawsuit or contestation 1 m of silver to this Nidinti-Anu. And if this Nidinti-Anu will interrupt the service or will

130 Damaged but still clearly visible.

miss the deadlines or will not give ... that prebend ... will give without lawsuit or contestation to this Anu-zēru-iddin 1 m of silver and whatever the *paqdu* of the temples and the assembly will impose upon him, he will bear it and that prebend belongs to Anu-ahhē-iddin, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=U.e.1=747e: Anu-bēlšunu/Anu-ahhe-iddin/...su//Ah
 W2=U.e.2=747h: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-bēlšunu//Ah
 W3=B.e.3=747d/L.e.2=747b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//Ah
 W4=B.e.2=747c/L.e.1=747g: Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu/Šamaš-ittannu//Ah
 W5=U.e.3: Lâbâši/Anu-ahu-ušabši/Ina-qibīt-Anu//EZ
 W6=B.e.1=747j: Anu-abu-uṭēr/Anu-zēru-iddin/ Anu-abu-uṭēr//H
 W7 B.e.2/L.e.1=747g=: Nidinti-Anu/Nidinti-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin//H
 W8= B.e.3=747d/L.e.2=747b: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Ina-qibīt-Anu/Anu-ahu-iddin//K

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir//EZ. Uruk, Ṭebētu, day 23, year 162, Alexander, the king.

Lessee=R.e.1=747a: Nidinti-Anu/Dumqi-Anu/Ana-rabūti-Anu//K
 Consent=R.e.3=747i: 'Ina-qibītiya(?)/Nidinti-Anu/Tanittu-Anu//Ah, mother of Anu-ahhē-iddin
 Lessor=R.e.2=747f: Anu-ahhē-iddin/Lâbâši/lštar-šuma-ēreš//Ah

Commentary. The text is dated to SE 162, during the reign of Alexander Balas (the suggested date by Mitchell, Searight 2008, to 149 SE is a mistake).

The name of the woman on whose consent the document is drawn up is unclear: maybe ʾir-a ('Ardiya?). Same lessee in VDI 1955/4, no. 8 dated a couple of years later to SE 165: perhaps same type of prebend?

Note that there is a transfer of ownership clause at the end of the tablet, like if it was a sale instead of a lease, but it states that the prebend still belongs to its owner (i.e. the lessor).

Witness list not tabulated and continuous.

Mitchell, Searight 2008, 747 L2=L.e.1 and L1=L.e.2.

No. 111-M. Plate CXI

Museum no.: BM 114412 (1920-6-15, 8)//BM 114422

Size: 8.9×10.5×2.3 (M)

Place: Uruk

Date SE: 162/163.XII.11, Alexander Balas, (...)

Date BC: 149.III.11 or 148.III.22

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): quitclaim for house, prebend, slave and furniture(?)

Obv. (10 ll. lost approxm.)

(1') [...] 'x x x x'
 [...] giš.šub.ba ^{lu}ut-t[ì.meš...]
 [... a-na re-m]ut-ú-tú a-na nu-dun-n[u...]
 [... a-n]a ^{lu}man-am šá-nam-ma ga[b-bi ...]
 (5') [...] mu.meš ul id-din u ul i-n[am-din u ki-i id-din]
 [u ki-i i]t-tan-nu ul gub-zu u ú[-mar-raq i-nam-din(?)]
 Rev. [^{id}na]-na-a-mu mu.meš šá la di.ku₅ u la har-ra-ra 'a'-[na ^{an}tu₄-du₁₀.ga-at]
 [mu.meš] 2 ma.na kù.babbar ù é giš.šub.ba ^{lu}ut-tì.meš u ú-'nu'['][-ú-tú(?)] mu.meš šá
 [^{id}an-tu₄-du₁₀.ga-at mu.meš a-na u4-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú

(1 blank line)

(10')	^{lu} mu'-kin ₇ ^{ki} di-n	a šá ^{id} 60-šeš-mu-nu	a šá ^{nig} .sum.mu- ^d 60	a ^é kur-za-kir
	^{id} 60-din-su-e	a šá ^{dum} -qí- ^d 60	a šá ^{id} 60-en-šú-nu	a ^{lu} u-š-tam-mar- ^{di} iškur
	^{id} 60-din-su-e	a šá ^{ana} -gal- ^d 60	a šá ^{id} 60-su	a ^{kur} -i
	^{id} 60-numun-mu	a šá ⁱ -dat- ^d 60	a šá ^{su} -mut-tu ₄ - ^d 60	a ^{hun} -zu-ú
	^{id} 60-ad-gur	a šá ^{bár} - ^d 60	a šá ^{id} na-na-a-mu	a ^{lu} u-š-tam-mar- ^{di} iškur

(15') [ⁱ]il-lut'-[^d60] 'u ^{id}na-na'-a-mu a.meš šá ^{id}šá-60-iš-šú-ú a šá ^{na}-na-a-mu
 [ⁱ]il-lut'-[^d60] 'u ^{id}na-na'-a-mu a.meš šá ^{id}60-iš-šú-ú a ^é.babbar-ra-mu-dù
^{id}60-šeš-gál'-[šì a] šá ^{nig}.sum.mu-lugal a ^{id}60-šeš-gál-šì ^{lu}i.du₈ ^{nig}.ga ^d60'

(2 blank lines)

^{ina}-qí-bit'-^d60 ^{lu}umbisag [a šá ^{id}utu-su]r a ^ékur-za-kir unug^{ki} ^{iti}še
 ud.11.kám mu.162⁺?[.kám ^a-lik]-sa-an-dar lugal

R.e. [un-qa] ^{id}na-na-a-mu¹³¹ [^{lu}na-din-na-an mu.meš]

L.e. [un]-qa [] u[n]-'qa' []

B.e. [un]-'qa' [ⁱ]il-lut'-^d60 un-qa ^{id}na-na-a-mu un-[qa] ^{id}60-[numun-mu]

U.e. (lost; place for 3 seals)

Unplaced fragments, possibly belonging to the obverse:

Frg. 1

1' x-x-x
 2' mu.meš ud?
 3' ma-la x
 4' kám giš?

Frg. 2

1' tat-tan? [...]□2' ú ta? [...]
 3' ba-šú ^{lu}i[?] [...]

Frg. 3

1' x
 2' ab
 (un-readable)

Dossier. Women

Translation. ... prebend, slaves ... as a gift, as part of a dowry ... did not give nor will give to whoever else except for ...; and if he will give ... or has given it, it will not be valid and will clear it and Nanāya-iddin will give without lawsuit or contestation 2 minas of silver

131 written over the seal (not under)

to Antu-ṭabāt and those house, prebend, slaves and tools belong to ^fAntu-ṭabāt, in perpetuity.

Witnesses:

W1=?: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu//EZ

W2=?: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Dumqi-Anu/Anu-bēlšunu//LA

W3=?: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ana-rabūti-Anu/Anu-erība//K

W4=B.e.3: Anu-zēru-iddin/Idat-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu//H

W5=?: Anu-ubu-uṭēr/Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W6=B.e.1: Illūt-Anu/Ša-Anu-iššû//Nanāya-iddin//Eši

W7=B.e.2: Illūt-Anu and Nanāya-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//Nanāya-iddin//Eši

W8=?: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Nidinti-šarri/Anu-ahu-ušabši, doorkeeper of the Property of Anu

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir//EZ. Uruk. Addaru. day 11, year 162*, Alexander, the king.

Commentary. ^fAntu-ṭabat is only mentioned in BiMes 24 49 (maybe connected to **No. 60-RE?**). Unfortunately no filiation is given (context very fragmentary).

No. 112-M. Plate CXII

Museum no.: BM 114422 (1920-6-15, 18)//BM 114412

Size: 9.3×10.8×2.6 (M)

Date SE: 162/163.XII.11, Alexander Balas, (...)

Date BC: 149.III.11 or 148.II.26

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #750

Description (type of transaction): quitclaim for house, prebend, slaves and furniture(?)

- Obv. (approx.. 8 lines lost)(1') [...] 'x x x'
 '... unreadable traces' ^d60 a šá '(?) unreadable traces [...]
 [...] unreadable traces giš.šub.ba [...]
 [...] é²u giš.šub.ba(?) x [...]
- (5') traces [...]
 [...] šá ¹traces [...]
 [a]-na [...] mu.meš é giš.[šub.ba...]
 [a]-na kù.babbar a-na re-mut-ú-tú a-na nu-dun-nu [...]
- (10') [[...] ul id-[din u u]l i-'nam'-din u ki-i id-din u ki-i it-[tan-nu]]
 ul gub-zu
- Rev. u ú-<mar>-raq [i-na]m-din(?) ^{1d}na-na-a-mu mu.meš šá la di.ku₅ u la har-ra-ra
 a-na ¹an-tu₄-[du₁₀.ga]-at mu.meš 2 ma.na kù.babbar ù é giš.šub.ba
¹⁰ut-tì.meš u [ú-nu-ú-t]ú(?) mu.meš šá ¹an-tu₄-dù-aṭ mu.meš a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tú šu-ú
- (1 blank line)
- (15') ¹⁰mu-kin₇ ¹ki'-[din a šá ^{1d}60-šeš]-'mu'-nu a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-^d60 a ¹é-kur-za-kir
^{1d}60-din-s[u-e a šá ¹dum-qí-^d6]0 a šá ^{1d}60-en-šú-nu a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
^{1d}60-din-s[u-e a šá ¹ana-gal-^d60] a šá ^{1d}60-su a ¹kur-i
^{1d}60-numun-m[u a šá ¹i-dat-^d60] a šá ¹su-mut-tu₄-^d60 a ¹hun-zu-ú
¹[^d60-ad-gur 'a šá ¹[bár-^d60] a šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a ¹lu-uš-tam-mar-^diškur
- (20') [¹il]-lut-^d60 u ^{1d}na-na-a-'mu a.meš' šá ^{1d}šá-60-iš-šu-ú a šá ^{1d}na-na-a-mu
 a ¹é.babbar-ra-mu-dù
 [^{1d}60-šeš-gál]-'ši' a šá ¹níg.sum.mu-lugal a ^{1d}60-šeš-gál-ši ¹⁰i.du₈ níg.ga ^d60
- (blank)
 [¹ina-qí-bit-^d60 ¹⁰umbisag a šá ^{1d}utu-sur a ¹é-kur-za-kir] 'unug ^{ki}itiše
 [ud.11.kám mu.162^{+?}.kám ¹a-lik-sa-an-dar] lu[gal]
- L.e. [un]-qa [] u[n]-'qa' []
 R.e. un-qa ¹na-na-a-mu [^{1d}na-din]-na-an mu.meš
 B.e. [un]-qa ¹il-lut'-[^d60] un-qa ^{1d}na-na-a-'mu' un-qa ^{1d}60-numun-mu
 U.e. (completely lost; place for three seals)

Dossier. Women

Witnesses:

W1=??: Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu//EZ

W2=??: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Dumqi-Anu/Anu-bēšunu//LA

W3=??: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Ana-rabûti-Anu/Anu-eṛiba//K

W4=B.e.3=lost: Anu-zēru-iddin/Idat-Anu/Sumuttu-Anu//H

W5=??: Anu-ubu-uṭēr/Kidin-Anu/Nanāya-iddin//LA

W6=B.e.1+W7=B.e.2=750b: Illūt-Anu and Nanāya-iddin/Ša-Anu-iššû//Nanāya-iddin//Eš

W8=??: Anu-ahu-ušabši/Nidinti-šarri/Anu-ahu-ušabši, doorkeeper of the Property of Anu

Scribe: Ina-qibīt-Anu/Šamaš-ēṭir//EZ. Uruk. Addaru. day 11, year 162⁺, Alexander, the king

Cedeing right=R.e.=750a: Nanāya-iddin

Having right=??: ¹Antu-tābat

Translation. See No. 111-M.

Commentary. Duplicate of No. 111-M.

No. 113-RE. Plate CXIII

Museum no.: BM 105171 (1913-4-16, 3)

Size: 8.3×10.8×2.8⁺ (M)

Place: [Uruk]

Date SE: lost

Date BC: lost; early Seleucid?

Bibl.: unpubl.

Seals: Mitchell, Searight 2008, #765

Description (type of transaction): sale of *kišubbû*

- Obv. (approxm. 3 lines missing)
traces of 2 signs
traces of 4-5 signs
[...] x *ina é mu.meš u/10²* x [...]
x+4. [...] *kuš uš⁺ an- ú^{im}si.sá* [...]
- (5') [x x] ^{1d}60-numun-ni u ^{1u}en.m[eš] ha.la.m[eš[?]...][...] ^{1d}60-numun-mu dumu *šá¹gal^{-d}60* [x x] *ú* [...]
[...] *š[?] x-x-x é.meš[?]* [...]
[...] *x⁺ šá¹gal^{-d}60* x x [...] *meš-šú*
[...] *šá ki-šub⁻ba-a* mu.meš⁺ [...]
- (10') [...] *a-na šám⁺til⁺*. [meš] *a-na¹ ni⁻din⁻* [tu₄^{-d}60] x x x [...]
[...] *a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ it-ta-din* kù. [babbar a₄ x gín šám]
[*ki-šub⁻ba-a* mu.meš] ¹gal^{-d}60 mu.meš⁺ [ina] ⁺šu-ii *ni⁻din⁻* [tu₄^{-d}60] dumu *šá¹tat-tan-nu^{-d}na-na*]-⁺a⁺
- Rev. *ma-hir e-ṭir u₄-mu pa-qa-ri ana muh-hi ki-šub⁻ba-a* mu.meš *it-tab-šu-ú¹gal^{-d}60*
a-di 12-ta.àm ú-mar-raq-ma a-na ni⁻din-tu₄^{-d}60 ina-an-din ki-šub⁻ba-a mu.meš
- (15) *šá¹ni⁻din-tu₄^{-d}60* dumu *šá¹tat-tan-nu^{-d}na-na-a a-na u₄-mu ša-a-tu₄ šu-ú⁺*
^{1u}mu-kin₇
[^{1d}60-din-su-e] dumu *šá¹d60-du-a a¹é-kur-za-kir¹du-a* dumu *šá¹d60-ik-sur* a *kur-i*
[^{1d}60]-ad-šeš dumu *šá¹d60-šeš.meš-mu a¹su^{-d}60¹d60-dumu-mu-nu* dumu *šá¹d60-numun-giš* a
- (20') [¹še]š⁻ú-tú¹d60-šeš-mu-nu dumu *šá¹ana-gal-ka^{-d}60* a *šeš⁻ú-tú¹la-ba-ši*
[dumu *šá¹ni⁻din-tu₄^{-d}60* a *kur-i¹na¹³²-na-a*-mu dumu *šá¹d60-šeš.meš-mu a¹ad-hi[?]* [...]
[... du]mu *šá¹na-na-a*-mu a *kur-i¹ki⁻din^{-d}60* dumu *šá¹d60-šeš.meš-mu a¹kur[-i]*
[...] dumu *šá¹d60⁺-numun?-mu⁺* [a ¹lu]-uš-tam-ma[r^{-d}iškur] ^{1d}na⁻na-a⁻-mu d[umu *šá¹*
[]⁻numun?-⁺ x x dumu⁺ [*šá¹d60-šeš-gál*]-šⁱ(?) a *kur⁻[-i]*
- (25') []⁺ x x⁺ [...]
(rest lost)

L.e. *un-qa* [...] ¹³³R.e. [¹gal^{-d}60] ^{1u}na-dinB.e. [*un-qa*] ^{1d}na-na-a-[mu *un-qa*] ¹ki-din^{-d}60 [un]-⁺qa⁺ ^{1d}60-ad-šeš⁺ un⁻-[qa] ^{1d}na-na-a-mu a *kur-i* ¹³⁴

U.e. (lost)

Dossier.

Translation. (Rabi-Anu... voluntarily sold forever to Nidinti-Anu/..., ... for the full price of ...: ... in this house ... the upper long side to the north ... Anu-zêru-? and the co-owners of the shares(?) ... Anu-zêru-iddin/Rabi-Anu ... houses ... of Rabi-Anu ... this undeveloped plot The silver ... full price of this undeveloped plot, Rabi-Anu has received from the hands of Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu-Nanāya; he is paid. Should a claim arise with regard to this undeveloped plot, Rabi-Anu will clear it 12-fold and will give to Nidinti-Anu. This undeveloped plot belongs to Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu-Nanāya, forever.

Witnesses:

W1=??: Anu-balāssu-iqbi/Anu-mukīn-apli//EZ

W2=??: Mukīn-apli/Anu-ikšur//K

W3=B.e.3=765d: Anu-abu-ušur/Anu-ahhē-iddin//GA

W4=??: Anu-māru-ittannu/Anu-zêru-lišir//Ah

W5=??: Anu-ahu-ittannu/Anu-rabūtīka-Anu//Ah

132 All three signs over erasure.**133** Apparently three seals are missing here.

134 This is very exceptional: family names are very rarely indicated in seal captions (and usually only in connection to the right edge captions, those bearing the names of individuals acting as parties in the contract); should we imagine the scribe specified it in order to distinguish the two individuals named Nanāya-iddin who witnessed the document?

W6=?=? : Lâbâši/Nidinti-Anu//K
 W7=B.e.1=765c/B.e.4=765a: Nanāya-iddin/Anu-ahhē-iddin/Abu-hi(tua?)
 W8=?=? : .../Nanāya-iddin//K
 W9=?=? : Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahhē-iddin//K
 W10=?=? : .../Anu-zēru-iddin(?)//LA
 W11=B.e.1=765c/B.e.4=765a: Nanāya-iddin/...
 W12=?=? : .../Anu-ahu-ušabši(?)//K

Witnesses from the edges:
 W?=B.e.2=765b: Kidin-Anu

Scribe: lost

Seller=(R.e.): Rabi-Anu/...
 Buyer: Nidinti-Anu/Tattannu-Nanāya

Commentary. An individual named Tattannu-Nanāya is mentioned in VDI 1955/4, 1, as the father of a certain ‘Hannā. The only common element between the two contracts is the absence of the clan name of Tattannu-Nanāya from both documents. If this connection held true, the document would date to the early Seleucid period.
 Mitchell, Searight 2008 T1-4 correspond to B.e.1-4 here.

No. 114-P. Plate CXIV

Museum no.: BM 109953 (1914-4-4, 19)

Size: 10.2×12×3.6 (L)

Format: frg.

Date SE: lost

Date BC: lost

Bibl.: unpubl.; Mitchell, Searight 2008, #661

Description (type of transaction): unclear (perhaps concerning a slave?)

- Obv. illegible traces
traces of 6 signs? [...] traces of 4 signs? [...]
[...] illegible traces [...] traces of 6 signs? ^d60 x [...]
[...] illegible traces [...] illegible traces [...]
- (5') [...] -a dumu *šá* ^{1d}60-š[eš-... ..] x x x *din*² traces [...]
[...] x x x *mu*² x [...] x x-^d60 illegible traces [...]
[...] x x x x ^d60 u ¹*ki-din*-^d60(?) [...]
[...] x x *ri*² traces [...]
- (10') ²x x ¹[x x] *mu*²-*šú* traces [x x] traces [...]
mu-ru-[...] ^{1d}*mu-mar*-(?) *pu-ut*
¹*la*²-x x illegible traces [x] x x x [...]
x x x illegible traces *ma* x x [...] x x [...]
- (15') (approximately 5 lines lost)
illegible traces of 4 signs
[...] *dumu* [...]
[...] *dumu šá* ¹[...]
[...] ^{1d}60-*šeš*? [...]
- (5'') [...] -*nu* ^{1d}*mu*-(?) - [...] (rest lost: 2 lines?)
- Rev. illegible traces
[...] -*ra-nu* x x x x (?)
[...] . *ba-šú ina* x x-²x¹ (?) [...] ¹-^d60-*ad-šeš mu-x-x* [...]
[...] -*x-gur*² u ^{1d}60-²x-x *dumu*² *šá* ¹*níg*² [...] x-x ¹illegible traces
- (5'') [...] illegible traces [...] x x x x ¹*x-x-ma*² *ina* *šu-ii* ¹*x-x-x*^d60² [...]
[x x x] -*nu* ^{1d}*na-din-na x-pu-ú šá* x x x *ma*² *ina* *šu-ii* illegible traces
[x x] -*ú* x x ¹*x-x-x* ^{1d}60²-*šeš-mu* x x x x [x x] illegible traces
^{1d}60-*du-a*(?) *dumu.meš šá* ^{1d}60²-*šeš-x* x ^{1d}-*ri*² -*rat-šú* illegible traces *dumu.meš šá* ¹x x -*qa šá* *šu-ii* 15-*šú la šaṭ-rat* [...]
- (10'') illegible traces *šá ina* x [...] u ¹*ki-din*-^d60 *dumu.meš šá* ^{1d}60-x-a x [...]
ina *šu-ii* ¹*ab-x-a dumu šá* ¹x-x-x-*mu*^d60 *du*[*mu* ...] -*ia-ha an-na* ^{1d}*mu-x-x-ú šá* x x [...]
illegible traces [...] *ri-hat*-^d*inanna* *dumu.munus šá* ¹*ina-x-x* x x [...] [...]
[...] x x x-*ri* ^{1d}*ri-hi* *diš* x x
[...] ²x x x *dumu*² [x x] ²x x [...] x x -*šú lib-bu-ú šá ina* x-x-x [...]
- (15'') x x-^d60² a x x x x ^{1d}*ir šá ina* *šu-ii* ¹*x-x*²-*su-x* [x x] x ¹*man-nu*²-*ki*²-ⁱ²-^d*dil.bat* u ^{1d}*ir šá* x [...]
dumu šá ^{1d}60-*ad-šeš* ^{1d}*hu-x-x-ni-tú* [x x] x-x ¹*ú-x*-[x-x] x x x-*šeš-mu* a ¹*šá*-^d60-²*iš-šu-ú* (?) [...] [...]
[^{1d}60-*numun-mu* ^{1d}*utu-dumu*-(?) -x x x ¹*ri-hat*-^d*inanna*-(?) x x x [...] -*ba-ši* x x *ina* *šu-ii* ¹*su-a* *du*[*mu* ...]
[*du*] *mu šá* ^{1d}60-*din-su-e* *dumu šá* ^{1d}*ni-din*²-*tu*₄-^d60 ²x-x¹ [x x] ^{1d}60-*du-a-šu-ú an-na* *ha.la*
- (20'') x-x-*ba-šú a-na* *u*₄-*mu ša-a-tú* *gub-zu* ¹x¹ [...] *bi-i*-²*nam*²-*ma* *ki a-ha-m*[*eš* ...]
x-x *šá* *ha.la-meš-šú-nu a-na* *u*₄-*m*[*u* ...]
^{1d}*mu*²-*kin*₇
[¹*gal*-^d60 *dumu šá* ¹*ina-qí-bit*-^d60 a *šá* ¹*šu*-^d60 ¹x-[...] -x-x a [...]
^{1d}60-*du-a* a *meš* ¹*é-kur-za-kir* ¹x-[...] *dum*] *u šá* ¹*ni-din-tu*₄-^d60 a [...]
- (25'') a ¹*hun-zu-ú* ¹*numun-ia* *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-*du-a* [a ¹šú-^d60 ^{1d}60-*numun-mu* *du*[*mu* ...]
¹x-x-*giš* *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-*numun-mu* a ²x¹ [...] ¹*na-na-a*-*mu* *dumu šá* ^{1d}60-*ad*²-[...]
¹*ni-din-tu*₄-^d60 ^{1d}*umbisag* [...] *unug*^{ki} *iti*² x *ud.3.kám* *m*[*u.x.kám* ...]
- L.e. ¹*na*₄-*kišib*² ¹*ni*-^d*in-tu*₄-^d60 [na₄-*kišib*] ^{1d}60-*numun-mu* [na₄-*kišib*] ¹*šá*-^d60-*iš-šu-ú*
B.e. [...] x [na₄-*kišib*] ²x-^d60 [na₄-*kišib*] ²x-^d60 *nu* [na₄-*kišib*] ¹*i*²-[...]
U.e. ¹*na*₄-[*kišib*] ¹traces² ¹*na*₄-*kišib* ^{1d}60-*din-su-e* *na*₄-[*kišib*] ¹[...]

Dossier. n-a

Translation. Too fragmentary for a translation. Perhaps concerning a slave and to be dated to the early Seleucid period.

No. 115-P. Plate CXV

Museum no.: BM 139437 (1956-9-3, 1520)

Size: n-a

Format: n-a

Place: (Uruk)

Date SE: n-a

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.

Copy: Bertin 2914

Description (type of transaction): sale of *ṭabihūtu* prebend; fragments

Obv. frg. A

[a-n]a 1/2 [ma.na] 5 gín kù.babb[ar...]

*bab-ba-nu*¹³⁵-ú-tú a-na š[ám...]¹ni-²din³-tu⁴-⁵60

[...] x [...]

Obv. frg. B

x x x(ma?)

[...] dumu šá ¹ni-din-tu⁴-⁵60[...¹] ²é'-kur-za-ki[r]

Obv. frg. C

[...] x-la-²a³ dumu ša^{1d} x*muh-hi ši-iš*-[...]^{1d}gír.lá-ú-tú x [...]^{1d}60-dumu-m[u-nu...]

Rev. frg. D

[... ú-m]ar-raq-ma a-²di³ 12-ta.àm ⁴a-na x⁵ [...][... a-n]a u⁴-mu ša-a-tú i-nam-din pu-ú-ut a-ha-²a³-m[eš...][... ^{1d}]utu-mu-nu ^{1d}na-din-n[a] ²giš³.šub.ba.meš mu.meš a šá ⁴x⁵-[...][... š]á ^{1d}na-na-a-[mu...] a-na u⁴-mu ša-²a³-tú [...](5') [...] ud.15.kám x [...] ²mu.meš³ x [...]

x [...]

(rest broken)

Rev. frg. E

[...] x ^{1d}60-du²-[...] a ¹hun-zu-ú[...] ^d60 dumu šá[...] ²a ¹kur-i² ¹ni-din-tu⁴-^d60 du[mu šá](5') [...] dumu šá ¹numun-ia a [...][...]-ér unug^k[¹][... ¹an-t]i-²i-ku-su lugalL.e. [... ^{1d}n]a-na-²a³-[mu]

R.e. [un-q]a

B.e. x [...]-nu

Dossier. n-a

Commentary. Fragments A, B and C from the obverse; D and E from the reverse. Apparently belonging to a tablet recording the sale of a butcher's prebend.

No. 116-ADM. Plate CXVI

Museum no.: BM 105213 (1913-4-16, 45)

Size: 6.2×4.4

Format: landscape

Date SE: n-a

Date BC: n-a

Place: (Uruk?)

Bibl.: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): administrative list

Obv. ¹ú²nagar².meš u na-din-a-a
¹ana-gal-^d60 a ¹[ki]-din-^d60
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹ki-din-^d60 a ¹šeš-'-ú-tú
^{1d}60-šeš-mu-nu a ¹ana-gal-^d60
 (5) ¹ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a ^{1d}gašan-edin² ¹nagar?
¹x-x-x-x' a ¹ki-din-^d60
 [...]-^d60 a ^{1d}utu-mu
 [...] -^d60 a ^{1d}en.líl-mu(?)
 [...] a ^{1d}60-'x-x'

Dossier. Administrative*Translation.* Carpenters and givers (?).

Ana-rabûti-Anu/Kidin-Anu

Anu-ahu-ittannu/Kidin-Anu//Ah

Anu-ahu-ittannu/Ana-rabûti-Anu

Nidinti-Anu/Bēlet-šēri, carpenter

PN/Kidin-Anu

...-Anu/Šamaš-iddin

..-Anu/Enlil-iddin ..

Commentary. See § 7. Late cursive Seleucid script. Theophoric names in Anu suggest it comes from Uruk. Format and type typical of administrative texts (no seals). Probably a list of carpenters of the temple. No clan affiliation is given for any of the individuals named, with the exception of the name in Obv. 3. On the absence of clan affiliation in lists of temple personnel see Beaulieu 1995. Filiation is regularly indicated by a only.

No. 117-ADM. Plate CXVII

Museum no.: BM 114361 (1920-3-3; 17)

Size: 6.4×5.5

Format: landscape

Place: Uruk

Date SE: n-a

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): administrative

- Obv. giš.šub.ba ^{lu}ku₄ é-tú šá dingir.meš é.meš ud.15.kám
 ù ud.16.ká[m] (blank)
^{ld}60-šeš-mu a šá ^l[...] 14 bán 4 1/2 síla
^l[ina-qí]-bit^{2-d}60 a šá ^{ld}60-[...] ^rsíla`
 (5) ^l[x-x a(?)] šá ^{ld}60-šeš-mu 14[?] [...] síla
^{ld}60-šeš.meš-mu a šá ^lta-nit-tu₄-^d60 [...] ^rníg.sum(?)⁻mu-^d60 a šá ^lina-qí-bit-^d60 4 bán 2 síla re-bu[?]
 a.meš šá ^lšeš-šú-^d60 a šá ^lina-qí-bit-^d60 2 bán 3 síla
^{ld}60-šeš-mu a šá ^{ld}60-en-šú-nu 2 bán 3 síla
 (10) ^lníg.sum.mu-^d60 a šá ^{ld}60-ad-šeš 5 bán
^ldum-qí-^d60 a ^{ld}60-din-su-e
 2 bán 3 síla

Dossier. Administrative*Translation.* Temple-enterer's prebend of the gods of the temples (for?) day 15 and day 16.Anu-ahu-iddin/...: 14 *sūtu*, 4 1/2 *qû*Ina-qibīt-Anu(?)/Anu-... *qû*PN/Anu-ahu-iddin: 14 ... *qû*

Anu-ahhē-iddin/Tanittu-Anu ...

Nidinti-Anu(?)/Ina-qibīt-Anu: 4 *sūtu* 2 *qû* ...the sons of Ahhēšu-Anu/Ina-qibīt-Anu: 2 *sūtu* 3 *qû*Anu-ahu-iddin/Anu-bēlšunu 2 *sūtu* 3 *qû*Nidinti-Anu/Anh-abu-ušur, 5 *sūtu*

Dumqi-Anu/Anu-balāssu-iqbi

2 *sūtu* 3 *qû**Commentary.* See § 7.

No. 118-ADM. Plate CXVIII

Museum no.: BM 105231

Size: 4.4×5.5×1.8

Format: portrait

Place: (Uruk?)

Date SE: n-a

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): administrative

- Obv. [i^{ti}] sig₄ ?^u ud.23.kám
 [i^{ti}x] ud.7.kám
 [i^{ti}] 'kin^u [u]d.18.kám
 [an-na-a] 'ha^u.la šá 'ki-din-^d60
 (5) [a^{id}] '60-š^u-eš-gál-ši u é
 'id^u30-dù-ku₆

 i^{ti}kin ud.3.kám
 'udu.níta ša hu-up-pu šá gú šá ^d60 šá i^{ti}še
 an-na-a ha.la šá é 'la-ba-ši a 'ki-din

 (10) im ha.la šá ezen.meš šá lu-bu-^uuš.meš^u

 B.e. šá ^d60 u ^dan-tu₄
 Rev. i^{ti}bar ud.7.kám
 i^{ti}zíz ud.22.kám
 (15) i^{ti}še ud.29.kám
 an-na-a ha-la šá é ^{id}utu-sur
 a ^{id}60-din-i^u a 'é-kur-za-kir

 i^{ti}gu₄ ud.13.kám
 i^{ti}kin ud.16.kám
 (20) i^{ti}ab ud.16.kám
 'an^u-na-a ha-la šá é 'šu-^d60
 [a] 'ba-as-si-ia a <<'>>
 ['^{id}]inanna-mu-kám

 L.e. [...] 'kar-^d60 u ^{id}60-šeš-mu
 [...] x 'la-ba-ši 'ni-din-tu₄-^d60 a
 [...] ^d60 'ba-as-si-ia ^{id}60-en-šú-nu
 [...] meš-mu

Dossier. Administrative

Translation. ..., day 23; ... day 7; ... day 18: this is the share of Kidin-Anu/Anu-ahu-ušabši and the estate of Sîn-bânûnu.

Ulûlu, day 3. The lamb of the *huppu*-(cerimonies?) of the back (?) of Anu, of Addaru: this is the share of the estate of Lâbâši/Kidin.
 Tablet of the share of the festivals of the clothing cerimonies of Anu and Antu.

Nisânnu, day 7; Šabātu, day 22; Addaru, day 29: this is the share of the estate of Šamaš-ēṭir/Anu-uballit//EZ.
 Ayyāru, day 13; Ulûlu, day 16; Ṭebētu, day 16: this is the share of the estate of Gimil-Anu/Bassiya/lštar-šumu-ēreš.

... Mušezib-Anu and Anu-ahu-iddin
 ... Lâbâši Nidinti-Anu/[...]
 ... -Anu, Bassiya, Anu-bêlšunu
 ...-iddin.

Commentary. See § 7.2, above.

Obv. 9. The *Personenkeil* element is written over two small strokes that might have been the beginning of šu; it seems that the scribe was already writing the first sign of the name of 'šu-^d60 when he realized that the vertical he wrote belonged to the é sign and he had to write an extra vertical for the Mr. sign.

No. 119-ADM. Plate CIXX

Museum no.: BM 105232

Format: portrait

Place: (Uruk?)

Date SE: n-a

Date BC: n-a

Bibl.: unpubl.

Description (type of transaction): administrative

- Obv. *šat-ta-ri.meš šá tab^{ab}-ku-nu*
ina ḫal^{la}-lat mu.meš

 2 *šat-ta-ri u 1 gíd.da*
šá ši-iš-šú kul u₄-mu^{lu}lunga.meš
 (5) *šá dù ina mu šá¹is-pu-da-su*
šá iš-ku-nu ma-áš dingir
^{1a}60-dumu-mu-nu a šá¹níg.sum.mu-^d60
ku-um 58 1/2 ^{1u}bar ud.21 mu 142

 2 *šat-ta-ri šá giš.šub.ba^{lu}kù.dim-ú-tú*
 (10) *u^{lu}ku₄ é pi-riš-tu₄-ú-tú*
šá iš-ku-nu.meš ma-áš dingir
dumu.meš u dumu.meš.meš šá
¹ki.kal-^den ina ^{1u}gan
ud.8 mu.139 ku-um 8 1/2

 2 *šat-ta-ri.meš šá giš.šub.ba^{lu}lunga*
ina ki-šú-nu šá ki-dī-ni
šá pa-si-qa (?)
šá i-pi-ki¹i-dat-^d60
u² ¹mu-a a.meš šá¹ina-e-gub-zu
 (20) *¹bár-^d60 u šeš.meš a.meš šá*
¹kar-^d60 ^{1u}i-du₆.meš
šá dù ina mu šá¹su-mut-tu₄-^d60
a šá¹ ¹bár-^d60 a šá^{1a}60-ad-šeš
ina iti.ne ud.5 mu 83
 (25) *šá še.bar sum šá lú is-hi/-am*
šá ina ni-bi-tú šá kaskal ina eden
ud.10 ^{1u}gu₄ šá mu.140

Dossier. Administrative

Translation. Documents that are deposited (?) in these baskets: 2 contracts and 1 receipt of 1/6 of an entire (?) day of the brewers who performed (?) in name of Spoudaios, which Anu-māru-ittannu/Nidinti-Anu placed in front of (?) the god. Instead of (?) 58 1/2. Nisānu, day 21, year 142. 2 contracts of the jeweller and temple-enterer's prebend, that placed in front of (?) the god the sons and the grandsons (?) of Dannat-Bēl in Kislīmu, day 8, year 139, instead of 8 1/2. 2 documents of the brewer's prebend that among them (?) ... Idat-Anu and Iddināya, sons of Ina-qibīt-ušuzzu. Kidin-Anu and his brothers/Mušezib-Anu/Anu-abu-usur, in ..., day 5, year 83. Regarding (?) the barley that is assigned (?) as part of the ? travel in the steppe. Day 10, ..., of year 140.

Commentary. see § 7.2.

On *hallatu* 'basket' see Van der Spek 1985 and McEwan 1984, pp. 146-147. See also Beaulieu 1989 for more administrative texts.

Obv. 5, *is-pu-da-su*: we have no evidence in Hellenistic Uruk for other occurrences of this name. It is possible that this is the Babylonian rendering for the Greek Spoudaios (see Lexikon of Greek Personal Names on-line, s.v.; reference courtesy H. Baker).

The formula *ku-um* + number, that closes each section of this text might either represent a registration tax (that would however be quite high) or the value of the registered prebend, that the temple had the need to record in order to pay its priests.