

*P.Mil.Vogl.* 6.266

Tebtynis, Arsinoite nome (found), AD 128

Notification of a copy of a cession contract (*synchoresis* = *P.Mil.Vogl.* 1.26)

*Date of the notification*

|<sup>1</sup> In the twelfth year of Hadrian Caesar the lord, on Mecheir 9, from Dioskoros, son of Nemesion, grandson of Areias, from the Sosikosmian tribe and the deme of Zeus ...

*Notification*

|<sup>2</sup> ... in accordance with (the instruction) sent to you by Munatianus, priest, *archidikastes*, (namely) the cession contract (*chrematismos*) of which a copy is given below.

*Instruction of Munatianus*

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*Date of the instruction*

Year 12 |<sup>3</sup> of Emperor Caesar Traianus Hadrianus Augustus, Mecheir 9.

*Addressee*

To Munatianus, son of Munatianus, former (*BL* 7, p. 118) priest (and) former *archidikastes*, (himself) one of the tax-exempt individuals fed in the Mouseion, former (military) tribune, former *strategos* of the city (of Alexandria), priest, *archidikastes*, and offer in charge of the *chrematistai* and the other courts,

*Party 1*

from Serallion, daughter of Ptollas, whose mother is Hermione, daughter of Ploutarchos, from the village of Oxyrhyncha in the subdivision of |<sup>4</sup> Polemon of the Arsinoite nome, who is absent (from Alexandria) and on whose behalf Ptollarion, son of Paulinus, grandson of Patron, one of the Greek men in the Arsinoite nome, is present for the completion of this contract (*synchoresis*),

*Party 2*

and from Dioskoros, son of Nemesion, grandson of Areios, from the Sosikosmian tribe and the deme of Zeus.

*Agreement proper*

We agree with one another on the following: Dioskoros, having been persuaded by |<sup>5</sup> Serallion and having received from her through Ptollarion the money agreed upon for the cession, five talents of imperial silver coinage, in accordance with the receipt of the money-changing bank of Lucius Carphius Domitus, (agrees) that he has ceded to her on the spot the |<sup>6</sup> plot of katoikic land belonging to him near the village of Theogonis in the subdivision of Polemon of the aforementioned Arsinoite nome, which is called the estate of Boubalos, (consisting of) thirty eight and three quarter arouras of grain-producing land or as many arouras as there may be, more or less, being in one plot, with the existing neighbors and boundaries of the arouras, entrances and exits, irrigation and drainage canals, and all the other servitudes and rights in accordance

with which (the arouras) have been held and controlled so far, also in accordance with the <sup>|7</sup> two agreements made about the cession of (the arouras) in favor of Dioskoros that have been concluded through the record office of Ptolemais Euergetis in the same Arsinoite name, (a) one by Patynis or, as it sometimes says, Patron, son of Haunes, grandson of Patynis, in the thirteenth year of the divine Traianus, on Payni 3, in reference to half of the above-mentioned arouras, (b) the other by the daughters of Patynis, or, as it sometimes says, Patron, (namely) Protous and Protarous, <sup>|8</sup> in the past eleventh year of Hadrianus Caesar the lord, in the month of Kaisareios, in reference to the remaining half of those arouras, and (they agree) that from now on Serallion has the possession and ownership of the thirty eight and three quarter arouras ceded to her, as is stated above, and can carry off for herself the produce from them from the current twelfth year onward, inasmuch as the harvest of the current year has also been ceded, <sup>|9</sup> while (they agree) that she can avail herself of the entrances and exits of the arouras, the irrigation and drainage canals, and all other servitudes in accordance with the traditional custom so far, and (they agree) that she is allowed to cede (the arouras) to others and to make whatever arrangements for them she wishes, and (they agree) that neither Dioskoros nor anyone else on his behalf has the right to claim the arouras that he has ceded, but that he guarantees and makes sure that these arouras are free from the <sup>|10</sup> public taxes that are paid on them in wheat and in money and otherwise until the month of Kaisareios and including the same month of Kaisareios of the past eleventh year of Hadrianus the lord, inasmuch as the taxes on the lands from the current year are the responsibility of Serallion, and (they agree that he makes sure that the arouras are free) from private debts and every claim forever, and (they agree) that the same Dioskoros will <sup>|11</sup> immediately remove anyone who makes a claim (on the arouras) at his own expense, ...