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Loan contract (*synchoresis*)
April 17, 13 BC

(a) *Addressee*

|¹ To Protarchos,

(b1) *Party 1*

|² from Platon, the son of Theodoros,

(b2) *Party 2*

and from |³ Ptolemaios, the son of Zenon, a Persian of the *epigone*, |⁴ and his wife Selene, the daughter of |⁵ Ptolemaios, a Persian, with as guardian her |⁶ husband.

(c) *Agreement about the receipt of the loan*

Concerning the points at issue, |⁷ Ptolemaios and Selene agree that they have received from |⁸ Platon in cash and not through a bank as a loan: |⁹ 112 Ptolemaic silver drachmas with an interest of two drachmas (*per 100 drachmas*) |¹⁰ over the 112 drachmas each month,

(d) *Agreement about repayment of the loan*

|¹¹ which (*loan*) they also agree that they will pay back in three months from |¹² the month Pachon in the present 17th year of Caesar (*Augustus*), by paying |¹³ the interest regularly each month and the sum |¹⁴ in the final month without any |¹⁵ delay,

(e) *Penalty clause*

or they agree that they are immediately |¹⁶ liable to seizure (BL *I.93*) and can be held under arrest until |¹⁷ they pay back the loan along with half as much again and the |¹⁸ basic interest (*without half as much again*) and for the time that |¹⁹ has gone beyond (*the due date*) the same (*interest*), while the right of execution (*of the claim*) |²⁰ belongs to Platon from both of the debtors, |²¹ who are each other's guarantors for payment, and |²² from one (*of them*) and from whomever of them he chooses and |²³ from all their belongings |²⁴ just as if by virtue of a legal decision, while all safe-conducts (*and*) |²⁵ every kind of protection they adduce |²⁶ are ineffective.

(g) *Date*

|²⁷ Year 17 of Caesar (*Augustus*), Pharmouthi 22.