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Contract for the return of land put up as security (or *antichresis*) for a loan (*synchoresis*) December 7, 9 BC

(a) Addressee

¹ To Protarchos,

(b1) Party 1

|² from Aulus Cornelius Idaios,

(b2) *Party 2*

and from Cornelia Tatia, the daughter of Cornelius, |3 with as guardian her mother's brother, Lucius Calleius Paion.

(c) Agreement proper

Cornelia agrees |⁴ that, upon receipt from Aulus Cornelius Idaios in eight months |⁵ from Choiak of the present 22nd year of Caesar (*Augustus*) of the 80 Ptolemaic silver drachmas that man owes (*her*) without interest, she will immediately |⁶ return to Aulus himself or whomever he instructs (*her to do so*) through a public archive the land that |⁷ Cornelia was given by him in accordance with an agreement through the record office |⁸ in the 21st year of Caesar (*Augustus*) in Payni, viz. unirrigated vineyard land consisting of five arouras |⁹ or however many more or less (*arouras*) there are in the groves of Ares, |¹⁰ the greatest god, near the village of Tholthis, the part that is surrounded by a wall, of the Heptakomia |¹¹ in the Sebennyte nome, whose neighbors are indicated in the agreement, |¹² without any delay,

(d) Penalty clause

and if, when the time arrives, Aulus does not pay $|^{13}$ the 80 silver drachmas, he agrees that the choice is up to Cornelia herself to either charge him $|^{14}$ for the sum or, instead, to take hold of and exercise control over the (property) $|^{15}$ handed over to her as it is written above without the need for her for any $|^{16}$ note of instruction or summons, and if in the meantime there happens to be an issue with the $|^{17}$ land, it is of no concern to Cornelia, and the debt will remain $|^{18}$ free of any risk, and the taxes due to the fisc $|^{19}$ from now on until the payment of the silver are the responsibility of $|^{20}$ Aulus, because the damages are his responsibility,

(e) *Obligations of the creditor*

and if Aulus is willing $|^{21}$ by the aforementioned time to pay the 80 silver drachmas, and Cornelia does not hand $|^{22}$ the land back (*to him*), they agree that it is permitted to him to deposit with an authorized bank $|^{23}$ the 80 silver drachmas in her name and to take hold of and exercise control

over the five (*arouras*) just $|^{24}$ as also earlier he was their unshakeable (*owner*), and apart from the fact that $|^{25}$ the things agreed upon are effective, they also agree ... on account of the expense that will occur and another $|^{26}$ 200 silver drachmas, just as if by virtue of a legal decision.

(f) Date Year 22 of Caesar (Augustus), Choiak 11.