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The following discussions constitute a *parergon* to a wider-ranging analysis of the socalled 'hortatory intention',¹ which I hope to publish in due course. They all demonstrate the importance in the sphere of restoration of a thorough knowledge not only of the variety of formulations exhibited by Athenian inscriptions but also of the basics of Greek iself.

I. Hesperia 47.274/5.5 (c. 333 B.C.)²

In his Addenda to The Athenian Agora, Vol. xv, Inscriptions: The Athenian Councillors John Traill publishes *inter alia* a new prytani decree and catalogue of the tribe Leontis. The provisions for the publication of the decree conclude with an incitement to others to emulate the treasurer here honoured because he does and says what is best for the People. The relevant lines (vv.29-30) are restored by Traill as follows:³

όπως ἂν ἐφάμιλλοι ὦςι] καὶ οἱ ἄλλοι λέγειν

[καὶ πράττειν τὰ ἄριςτα τῶι δήμωι εἰδότ]ες ὅτι χάριτας ἀξίας

ἀπολήψονται παρὰ [τῆc] $\beta_0[v]\lambda[\hat{\eta}]c$ κα(ί) πρυ[τάνεων]

This restoration is, however, certainly incorrect. Although $\dot{\epsilon}\phi\dot{\alpha}\mu\lambda\lambda\sigma$ $\dot{\eta}\iota$ + infinitive - "in order that it may be an object of contention to" - is frequently encountered,⁴ the personal use of $\dot{\epsilon}\phi\dot{\alpha}\mu\lambda\lambda\sigma$ + infinitive in the sense "engage in rivalry to do ..." does not occur. The *mot juste* for this type of encouragement is $\phi\iota\lambda\sigma\iota\mu$ and this must be substituted here.

In line 30, where it is unlikely that the article is absent with $\pi\rho\nu\tau\alpha'\nu\epsilon\omega\nu$, an examination of Plate 73 leads me to believe that the letters read by Traill as ΠPY are, in fact, IT followed by traces of Ω and N.

I would therefore restore as follows:

όπως ἂν φιλοτιμῶνται] καὶ οἱ ἄλλοι λέγειν [καὶ πράττειν τὰ ἄριςτα τῶι δήμωι εἰδότ]ες ὅτι χάριτας ἀξίας ἀπολήψονται παρὰ [τῆς] βο[υ]λ[ῆ]ς καὶ τῶν [πρυτάνεων].

öπως ἂν

¹ As in so many other respects I am indebted to Geoffrey Woodhead for the felicitous coinage of the expression 'hortatory intention' to cover, as he puts it in his forthcoming volume of *The Athenian Agora: vol. xvi The Decrees,* formulae "indicating the wider purpose of the inscription in the general sense of encouraging others to emulate the honorand or to publicize the community's readiness to show gratitude to those who serve it well."

² See also SEG 28.52.

 $^{^{3}}$ Although the decree is inscribed stoichedon 27, in the last three lines (28-30) the stoichedon pattern is abandoned altogether.

⁴ Cf. e.g., *I.G.* ii² 847.33-36 (215/14):

οὖν ἐφάμιλλον εἶ τοῖς φιλοτιμουμένοι[c] εἰδόςιν ὅτι χάριτας ἀξίας κομιοῦντα[ι ὧν] ἂν εὐεργετήςωςιν.

Cf. I.G. ii² 509.7-11 (post 307/6 B.C.)

ὅπως ἂν κα[ὶ οἱ ἄλλοι ἅπαντες] φιλοτιμῶνται ἄρχειν κατὰ τοὺ[c νόμους καὶ ὑπὲρ τῆc] δημοκρατίας ἐθέλωςι πάντα π]ράττειν εἰδότες ὅτι] χάριτας ἀπολήψονται παρὰ τ[οῦ δήμου ἀξίας τῶν εὐ]εργετημάτων·

II. *I.G.* $ii^2 652 = D75$ (*paullo post* 286/5 B.C.)⁵

In my epigraphical youth some thirty years ago^6 I sougt *inter alia* to explain away as a mason's error the unparalleled word-order $\delta\pi\omega c \ o\delta\nu \ \alpha\nu$ in line 14 of the decree in favour of Aischron son of Proxenos of Delphi.⁷ I had not then been aware that the reading on the stone actually *was* the normal $\delta\pi\omega c \ \alpha\nu o \delta\nu$.⁸

More significantly, I also cast doubt on Koehler's restoration of the continuation of line 14, as printed by Kirchner in *I.G.*:

φ[ανεροὶ ὦςιν καὶ οἱ ᾿Αθηναῖοι]

For not only is the overall formulation unparalleled in this far from uncommon advertisement of the Athenian People's propensity to honour 'the good', but, in particular, the 'article with 'Aθηναĵou is quite unacceptable.⁹ Hence I ventured an alternative restoration along the lines $\varphi[\alpha i v \omega \tau \alpha i \dot{\eta} \beta \omega \lambda \dot{\eta} \kappa \alpha i \dot{\delta} \delta \hat{\eta} \mu oc]$, although I now realise, *grâce à* Osborne, that Wilhelm had already anticipated me.¹⁰

Osborne, however, claims that this suggestion is impossible, since the top of a left upright stroke can be read in stoichos 17, just before the stone breaks off. The text which he prints, therefore, is essentially identical to that offered in *I.G.*, except that he also reads the alpha between the phi and the nu: thus

όπως ἂν οὖν φαν[εροὶ ὦςιν καὶ οἱ 'Αθηναῖοι].

Maturity, however, still inclines me to reject this solution, principally because of the unparalleled of 'A $\theta\eta\nu\alpha$ ioi in such a clause. Given that in line 27 the letters TIM occupy only 2 stoichoi and the 'numerous crowding of letters in vv. 35-36'¹¹ it is more than likely that in

öπωc ἂ

ν οὖν φαίνηται καὶ ὁ δῆμος τιμῶν τοὺς ἀγαθοὺς

⁵ The reference is to M.J.Osborne, *Naturalization in Athens*, Brussels: Paleis der Academien, vols. I (1981) and II (1982).

⁶ See *CQ* 16 (1966) 291-297.

⁷ See art.cit., p.293.

⁸ Lapidem non videram. See now Osborne, op.cit., vol. I, p.163 (note on line 14).

⁹ For the evidence see art,cit., pp.295-296.

¹⁰ See Osborne, loc.cit. (note 8 above). (For the verb preceding the subject, unusual in these formulations, cf. *I.G.* ii^2 682 64-66 (?259/8):

άνδρας καὶ ἀξίους μνήμης

For the date of this inscription see my article in Chiron 22 (1992) 27-33.

¹¹ See Osborne loc.cit. (I note that in *I.G.* Kirchner informs us that in lines 35 ΠO (in ἀκροπόλει) and EI (in εi[c) are inscribed in 1 space, whereas Osborne appears to indicate the letters AEI of ἀκροπόλει as 3 in 2 spaces. Neither does Osborne say anything of the apparent crowding in τῆι διοικήc[ει.)

line 14 the 'top of a left upright stroke' is, in fact, the top of iota, not nu, cut to the left of the stoichos to allow it to be squeezed up with the following nu.

So read line 14 as follows:

 λ είας · ὅπως ἂν οὖν φαί[νωνται καὶ ἡ βουλή καὶ ὁ δῆμος[This produces both a satisfactory text and an acceptable line of stoichedon 40.

III. *I.G.* $ii^2 570 = D89$

Osborne assigned this fragment to the period 262-229 B.C. on the basis of the 'presence' of the Single Officer and the absence of the *dokimasia* from the elements of the citizenship grant.¹² However, as I have recently argued,¹³ the irregularities in the cutting of this basically stoichedon 38 text leave open the possibility of the restoration of the Plural Board. On the other hand, given that in the referral formula $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\iota\sigma\hat{\nu}c\alpha\nu$ (8 letters) is much less likely to be accommodated in the space available in line 8 than $\pi\rho\dot{\omega}\tau\eta\nu$ (6 letters),¹⁴ it may be that the date can be narrowed down to the first half of the third century B.C.¹⁵

However that may be, the restoration of lines 10-11

[....12.....]· ὅπως [δ' ἂν οὖ]ν ὑπό[μ]ν[ημα τῆς ὑπὸ τ ν] [οῦ δήμου δεδομέ]νης δωρεᾶς ὑπά[ρχηι αὐτῶι

is certainly erroneous.¹⁶

Manifestly, we do not want both $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$ and $o \hat{\delta} v$. Nor is there any justification here for a resumptive $o \hat{\delta} v$; what is required is merely a connecting $\delta \hat{\epsilon}$,¹⁷ introducing the provisions for the publication of the decree, as, e.g., *I.G.* ii² 653.50-52 (285/4):

όπως ἂν δὲ καὶ ὑπόμνημα ἦι τῆς οἰκειό-

[τητος κ]αὶ τῶν δωρειῶν τῶν προςτιθεμένων αὐ-

[τῶι πρ]ὸς ταῖς ὑπαρχούςαις, τὸν γραμματέα κτλ.

and I.G. ii² 909.19-21. (c. 184 B.C.)¹⁸

ὅπως δ' ἂν καὶ ὑπό-

μνημα ὑπάρχει αὐτῶι περὶ τῆc πρὸc τὸν δῆμον εὐνοίαc, ἀναγράψαι κτλ.

¹² Op.cit., vol. II, p. 178.

¹³ In Owls to Athens. Essays on Classical Subjects Presented to Sir Kenneth Dover, ed. E.M.Craik, Oxford, 1990, p. 182. Cf. SEG 40.87 and 89.

¹⁴ Cf. my remarks in *Owls*, pp. 183-186.

¹⁵ In SEG 40.89 the fragment is given the wide dating '3rd cent. B.C.'

¹⁶ I cite the text from the revised layout as given by Osborne in D89 (op.cit., vol. I, pp. 188-189). ὑπα[ρχῆι is there wrongly accented.

¹⁷ As is always the case when the $\delta\pi\delta\mu\nu\eta\mu\alpha$ clause introduces the provisions for the publication of a decree.

¹⁸This text is assigned by Stephen Tracy to the hand (or *atelier*) of 'The Cutter of *I.G.* ii² 897', whose span of activity occupies the years 189/8 to 178/7. I have selected *c.* 184 B.C. merely as the mid-point of this range. See Stephen V.Tracy, *Attic Letter-Cutters of 229 to 86 B.C.*, UCP, 1990, p. 115, and cf. Osborne, op.cit., vol. III (1983), p. 105.

The restoration $\delta \pi \omega c [\delta, \tilde{\omega} v \kappa \alpha]$ in *I.G.* ii² 570 is therefore inescapable. Osborne's claim¹⁹ that in stoichos 22 of line 10 'the diagonal cross stroke of the *nu* is visible' must be set against his own description of the state of the surface of the stone: 'the stone is very badly worn indeed, and the letters can only be made out with great difficulty.'²⁰ I suspect - not too uncharitably, I hope - that the original error in *I.G.*, o δv , led Osborne to 'see' a trace of the desired letter.

There is the further problem of the unlikely *vacat* posited at the end of line 10 in order to bring the stoichedon tally up to 38. $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\alpha}$, instead of $\dot{\nu}\pi\dot{\alpha}$, would remedy the situation - and be grammatically feasible - but $\pi\alpha\rho\dot{\alpha}$ to $\hat{\nu}$ $\delta\dot{\eta}\mu\nu\nu$ normally means '*from* the people' in expressions of similar kind: cf.. e.g., *I.G.* ii² 509.7-11 (*post* 307/6)

ὅπως ἂν κα[ὶ οἱ ἄλλοι ἅπαντες]

φιλοτιμῶνται ἄρχειν κατὰ τοὺ[c νόμουc καὶ ὑπὲρ τῆc] δημοκρατίας ἐθέλωςι πάντα π[ράττειν εἰδότες ὅτι] χάριτας ἀπολήψονται παρὰ τ[οῦ δήμου ἀξίας τῶν εὐ]εργετημάτων·

To read ὑπὸ τοῦ]ἰδήμου γεγενημέ]νης in *I.G.* ii² 570 could be paralleled by *I.G.* ii² 891.17-18 (188/7)

ίνα δὲ καὶ ὑπόμνημα ὑπάρχηι τῶν γε{γε}γονότων

[ἀὐτῶι ὑπὸ τοῦ δήμου φιλανθρώπων

but this would increase line 10 to 39 letters without offering the possibility within the restored section of combining two letters in one stoichos.

But, alternatively, could the iota and upsilon of $\kappa \alpha$] $\dot{\nu} \dot{\nu} \pi \delta$ [have been squeezed together? If such a possibility can be entertained then one might venture the following restoration:

[....] · ὅπως [δ' ἀν κα]ὶ ὑπό[μ]ν[ημα τῆς ὑπὸ τοῦ]

[δήμου γεγενημέ]νης δωρεᾶς ὑπά[ρχηι αὐτῶι.

IV. Hesperia 32.15-16.14²¹

Woodhead²² retains Meritt's original text of lines 5-8 of this inscription, now dated c. 170:²³

ὄ]πως οὖν ἐφάμ[ιλλον] [ἦι τοῖς ἑαυτοὺς φιλοτιμουμ]ένοις εἰς τὰς κοι[νὰ]ς [χρείας παρέχεςθαι εἰδόςιν ὅ]τι χάριτας ἀξία[ς] [κομιοῦνται ὦν ἂν εὐεργε]τήςωςιν

However, ἑαυτός, which must be constructed with π αρέχεςθαι, sits somewhat uncomfortably between τοῖς and φιλοτιμουμένοις, and must surely be wrong. The text indeed

¹⁹ Op.cit., vol. I, p. 189

²⁰ Op.cit., p. 188.

²¹ See also *SEG* 21.419.

²² The Athenian Agora: vol. xvi (see note 1 above) no. 285.

²³ The mid-point in the span of activity of "The Cutter of I 247', to whose considerable *oeuvre* our text (with its inventory no. Ag. I 6843) is assigned by Stephen Tracy: see *Attic Letter Cutters of 229 to 86 B.C.*, pp. 99-109.

appears to be an unsuccessful amalgam of several common - and individually acceptable elements. Thus, for example, we find in *I.G.* ii² 641.23-25 (299/8) όπως ἂν ὡς πλεῖςτοι φιλοτιμῶνται χρείαν παρέχεςθαι ἐ-[π]ι τὰ ευνφέροντα τῶι δήμωι· and Meritt himself cited *I.G.* ii² 847.33-36 (215/14) **öπω**ς ἂν οὖν ἐφάμιλλον εἶ τοῖς φιλοτιμουμένοι[c] είδόςιν ότι χάριτας άξίας κομιοῦντα[ι ὧν] ἂν εὐεργετήσωςιν and I.G. ii² 1329.19-22 (175/4)²⁴ ίνα οὖν έφάμιλλον ή τοῖς ἀεὶ φιλοτιμουμένοις, εἰδότες ὕτι χάριτας ἀξίας κομιοῦνται ὡν ἀν εὐεργετέςωειν But none of these will quite justify the reconstruction in the text under review. I suggest that we may better restore along the following lines: ό]πως οὖν ἐφά[μιλλον] [ἦι ἅπαςιν τοῖς φιλοτιμουμ]ένοις εἰς τὰς κοι[νὰ]ς [γρείας εὐεργετεῖν εἰδόςιν ὅ]τι κτλ. "so, in order that it may be an object of contention to all those who show patriotic zeal towards the common needs to do good deeds in the knowledge that ... " For φιλοτιμείcθαι είc cf. *I.G.* ii² 338.21-24 (333/2): ŏπως ἂν καὶ οἱ ἄλλοι οἱ ἀεὶ χειροτονούμενοι ἐπὶ τὰς κρήνας φιλοτιμῶνται ἕκαςτοι εἰς τὸν δημον. and for $e\dot{v}epyeteiv$ used absolutely cf. I.G. ii² 786.15-17 (c. 215)²⁵ ύπως ἂν οὖν ἐφάμιλλον ε[ἶ] εὐεργετε[ῖν πᾶςιν εἰδό]cιν ὅτι καὶ ὁ δῆμος, καθάπερ αὐτῶ]ι πάτριόν ἐςτιν, ἀπο]δώςει τὴν προςήκουςαν ἑκάςτο[ις χάριν

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²⁴ Though not a state decree but a document of *orgeones*.

²⁵ The mid-point in the span of activity of 'The Cutter of *I.G.* ii² 1706'. See Tracy, op.cit., pp. 44-54.