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Loan contract (*synchoresis*)

March/April, 12 BC

(a) *Addressee*

<sup>2</sup> To Protarchos,

(b1) *Party 1*

<sup>3</sup> from Marcus ...trios, the son of Marcus, from the *tribus Aemilia* (?), a soldier of the 22nd legion, <sup>4</sup> of the 3rd cohort, of the *centuria* of Atilius,

(b2) *Party 2*

and from Marius, the son of ..., <sup>5</sup> a Persian of the *epigone*, and his wife Thaesis, the daughter of ..., with as guardian her husband.

(c) *Receipt of loan and promise to pay interest in kind*

<sup>6</sup> Marius and Thaesis agree that they have received from Marcus in cash and not through a bank <sup>7</sup> 200 Ptolemaic silver drachmas without interest, and she and Marius agree that <sup>8</sup> they will necessarily provide Marcus in lieu of interest for the 18th year of Caesar (*Augustus*) with papyrus plants, <sup>9</sup> 20,000 bundles and 3,500 loads of six bundles each, from the papyrus marsh they hold <sup>10</sup> under the terms of a lease ... in the ... <sup>11</sup> ... as many as he receives from them each day ... <sup>12</sup> ... each ... <sup>13</sup> ... and 10 1/3 yokes, and Marius and Thaesis will pay <sup>14</sup> to Marcus toward the 200 silver drachmas from the first of Payni of the present <sup>15</sup> 18th year of Caesar (*Augustus*) for the remaining six months one drachma each day <sup>16</sup> ... not skipping any day <sup>17</sup> ... to Marcus the plants for ... or for whatever <sup>18</sup> he chooses ... at their own expenses by paying <sup>19</sup> ... satisfactory ..... and ... loads, as is fitting, ... <sup>20</sup> ... with the same ... in kind <sup>21</sup> ... to them for the prescribed amount of time ... <sup>22</sup> ... plants, nor to postpone <sup>23</sup> the daily supply of ...,

(d) *Penalty clause*

or else, in whatever way they transgress (*these provisions*), <sup>24</sup> Marius and Thaesis agree that they are immediately liable to seizure and can be held under arrest until they pay the <sup>25</sup> 200 silver drachmas, or whatever is left, along with half as much again and the ... damages <sup>26</sup> and expenses and 200 drachma as a penalty, while the right of execution (*of the claim*) belongs (*to Marcus*) from ... <sup>27</sup> who are each other's guarantors for payment and from one and from whomever he chooses and <sup>28</sup> from all their belongings just as if by virtue of a legal decision, <sup>29</sup> while all safe-conducts (*and*) every kind of protection they adduce are ineffective,

(e) *Obligations of the creditor*

and ... <sup>|30</sup> ... for them whatever he receives each day ... <sup>|31</sup> ... and not to postpone payments, and he agrees that it is not permitted to him, <sup>|32</sup> before the appointed time, to abandon the ... of the plants, <sup>|33</sup> and when he has been paid in full with the 200 silver drachmas, as is written aboved, he agrees that he will confirm <sup>|34</sup> this agreement or else that he himself will pay whatever he owes <sup>|35</sup> with respect to the price along with half as much again and the same penalty.

(f) *Request for registration*  
We request (*registration*).

(fg) *Date*  
<sup>|36</sup> Year 18 of Caesar (*Augustus*), Pharmouthi ...