

with Wb.<sup>60</sup> *stabava* (as Rl. JRAS 10.310 had it), see Lex. s.v.; not *starava* nor *stakava*.

TRANSLATION OF DNA:

1. §1. 1-8. A great god is Ahuramazda, who created this earth, who created yonder sky, who created man, who created happiness for man, who made Darius king, one king of many, one lord of many.

§2. 8-15. I am Darius the Great King, King of Kings, King of countries containing all kinds of men, King in this great earth far and wide, son of Hystaspes, an Achaemenian, a Persian, son of a Persian, an Aryan, having Aryan lineage.

§3. 15-30. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda these are the countries which I seized outside of Persia; I ruled over them; they bore tribute to me; what was said to them by me, that they did; my law—that held them firm; Media, Elam, Parthia, Aria, Bactria, Sogdiana, Chorasmia, Drangiana, Arachosia, Sattagydia, Gandara, Sind, Amyrgian Scythians, Scythians with pointed caps, Babylonia, Assyria, Arabia, Egypt, Armenia, Cappadocia, Sardis, Ionia, Scythians who are across the sea, Skudra, petasos-

wearing Ionians, Libyans, Ethiopians, men of Maka, Carians.

§4. 30-47. Saith Darius the King: Ahuramazda, when he saw this earth in commotion, thereafter bestowed it upon me, made me king; I am king. By the favor of Ahuramazda I put it down in its place; what I said to them, that they did, as was my desire. If now thou shalt think that "How many are the countries which King Darius held?" look at the sculptures (of those) who bear the throne, then shalt thou know, then shall it become known to thee: the spear of a Persian man has gone forth far; then shall it become known to thee: a Persian man has delivered battle far indeed from Persia.

§5. 47-55. Saith Darius the King: This which has been done, all that by the will of Ahuramazda I did. Ahuramazda bore me aid, until I did the work. Me may Ahuramazda protect from harm, and my royal house, and this land: this I pray of Ahuramazda, this may Ahuramazda give to me!

§6. 56-60. O man, that which is the command of Ahuramazda, let this not seem repugnant to thee; do not leave the right path; do not rise in rebellion!

**DNb = DARIUS, NAQŠ-I-RUSTAM B.**

- 1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : adadā : i
- 2 ma : frašam : tya : vainataiy : hya : adadā : ši
- 3 yātim : martiyahyā : hya : xraθum : ut
- 4 ā : aruvastam : upariy : Dārayavaum : xšā
- 5 yaθiyam : niyasyaya : θātiy : Dārayavaus : xšāya
- 6°θiya : vašnā : Aūramazdāh : ayākaram : a
- 7 miy : tya : rāstam : dauštā : amiy : miθa : na
- 8 iy : dauštā : amiy : naimā : kāma : tya : skauθ
- 9 is : tunuyatahyā : rā°dīy : miθa : kariyaiš
- 10 : naimā : ava : kāma : tya : tunuvā : skauθaiš : r
- 11 ādiy : miθa : kariyaiš : tya : rāstam : ava : mām :
- 12 kāma : martiyam : draujanam : naiy : dauštā : ám
- 13 iy : naiy : manauviš : amiy : tyāmaiy : dartana
- 14 yā : bavatiy : daršam : dārayāmiy : manahā :
- 15 uvaipāšiyahyā : daršam : xšayamna : amiy :
- 16 martiya : hya : hataxšataiy : anudim : hakarta°
- 17 hyā : avaθādim : paribarāmiy : hya : i°
- 18 ināθayatiy : anudim : vinastahyā : avaθ
- 19 ā : parsāmiy : naimā : kāma : tya : mar°tiya
- 20 : vināθayaiš : naipatimā : ava : kāma : yadi
- 21 y : vināθayaiš : naiy : fraθiyaiš : martiya :
- 22 tya : pat°iy : martiyam : θātiy : ava : mām :
- 23 naiy : varnavataiy : yātā : uradanām : hadu
- 24 gām : āxšnautiy : martiya : tya : kunau
- 25 tiy : yad°ivā : abaratiy : anuv : tauman

- 26 išaiy : xšnuta : <sup>oo</sup> amiy : utā : mām : vas  
 27 iy : kāma : utā : uxšnauš : amiy : avākaram  
 28 camaiy : <sup>o</sup> ušy : utā : framānā : yaθāmai  
 29 y : tya : kartam : vaināhy : yadivā : āxšnav-  
 30 āhy : utā : viθ<sup>o</sup>i<sup>o</sup>yā : <sup>oo</sup> uta : spāθma  
 31 i<sup>o</sup>da<sup>o</sup>yā : aitamai<sup>o</sup>y : <sup>ooo</sup> aruvastam :  
 32 upariy : manaščā : <sup>oo</sup> ušīcā : ima : patimai  
 33 y : aruvastam : t<sup>o</sup>ya<sup>o</sup>mai : tanūš : tāvaya  
 34 ti<sup>o</sup>y : hamaranakara : am<sup>o</sup>iy : ušhamaranakara : hakara  
 35 mci<sup>o</sup>y : ušyā : gāθa<sup>o</sup>vā : vainātaiy : yacyi :  
 36 vaināmiy : hamīcyā<sup>m</sup> : yacyi : naiy : vainā  
 37 miy : utā : ušibiyā : utā : framānāyā  
 38 : a<sup>o</sup>dakaiy : fratara : maniyaiy : aruvāyā : ya  
 39 di<sup>o</sup>y : vaināmiy : hamīcyam : yaθā : yadiy :  
 40 nai<sup>o</sup>y : vaināmiy : yāumainiš : amiy : u  
 41 tā<sup>o</sup> : dastaibiyā : utā : pādaibiyā : asabā  
 42 ra : <sup>o</sup> uvāsabāra : amiy : θanuvaniya : uθa  
 43 n<sup>o</sup>uvaniya : amiy : utā : pastiš : utā  
 44 : asabāra : ārštāka : amiy : uvāštika :  
 45 utā : pastiš : utā : asabāra : utā : ūvnarā  
 46 : tyā : Auramazdā : upariy : mām : nīyasaya : utā  
 47 diš : atāvayam : bartanaiy : vašnā : Auramazdāh  
 48 ā : tyamaiy : kartam : imaiibiš : ūvnariabiš : aku  
 49 navam : tyā : mām : Auramazdā : upariy : nīyasaya  
 50 : mari<sup>o</sup>kā : daršam : azdā : kušuvā : ciyākaram  
 51 : amiy : ciyākaramcamaiy : ūvnarā : ciyākara  
 52 mcamaiy : pariyanam : mātaiy : duruxtam :  
 53 θadaya<sup>o</sup> : tyataiy : gaušāyā : xšnulam : avaš  
 54 ciy : āxshudiy : tya : partamtaiy : asti  
 55 y : mari<sup>o</sup>kā : mātaiy : avašciy : duruxta  
 56 m : kuna<sup>o</sup>vātaiy : tya : manā : kartam : astiy  
 57 : avašciy : didiy : yacyi : nipištam : mā :  
 58 taiy : dātā : ++++++ : mā : ++++++ātiy  
 59 ā : ayāu(ma)iniš : bavātiy : marikā : xšayābiya  
 60 : mā : raxθatuv : +++++++ + + + + + + + + + + ina :

NOTES TO DN<sub>b</sub>: Our text of DN<sub>b</sub> is that given in JNES 4.39–52, based upon the photographs of Schmidt taken in 1938, supplemented by Hz.'s chart and transliteration, ApI 4–6. The intercalated <sup>o</sup> <sup>oo</sup> <sup>ooo</sup> in our text marks blank spaces adequate for one, two, three characters respectively, where the rock was too rough to permit engraving.

A different interpretation of 34–40, with other textual restorations, by I. Gershovitch, TPS 1948.66–8, does not convince me. Certain alterations of the OP text and of the interpretation, esp. in 52–60, by W. Hinz, on the basis of the Elam. version, cannot be evaluated until his article is in print.

<sup>14</sup> bavatiy on the Rock; bauvatiy in fragmentary 2d copy (Hz. ApI Plate 5). <sup>15</sup> mar<sup>o</sup>tiya Schmidt photo; last character not m<sup>o</sup>, despite Hz. <sup>22</sup> pat<sup>o</sup>iy Kent; par<sup>o</sup>saiy 'in court' Hz. ApI 273. <sup>21</sup> The gap is inadequate for Hz.'s restored didiy; and the Schmidt photo shows a divider

in the middle of the space. <sup>23</sup> an<sup>o</sup>ur<sup>o</sup>aθ<sup>o</sup>a, with dubious n<sup>o</sup>, Wb. KIA 94, from Sevruguin's photo; af<sup>o</sup>ur<sup>o</sup>ay<sup>o</sup>a Hz., which he emends to ar<sup>o</sup>ur<sup>o</sup>aθ<sup>o</sup>a; af<sup>o</sup>ur<sup>o</sup>ay<sup>o</sup>a, with f<sup>o</sup> to be emended to r<sup>o</sup>, and y<sup>o</sup> rather than θ<sup>o</sup>, Kent from Schmidt photo.

<sup>24</sup> The divider is not at the end of 49, but at the beginning of 50. Between the two lines there is the vacant space of one line, to indicate the break in the subject-matter. <sup>25</sup>, <sup>26</sup> – <sup>27</sup> ciyākaramcamaiy in both places, Hz., confirmed by Schmidt photo; with metathesis for m<sup>o</sup>c<sup>o</sup>m<sup>o</sup>, and to be normalized ciyākaramcamaiy. <sup>22</sup> [durux]tam Bv., after DB 4.44f, 49f. <sup>23</sup> [xšnulam] Kent; the space is inadequate for Bv.'s āxšnulam. <sup>25</sup>–<sup>26</sup> [durux]lam Kent, after Bv.'s restoration in 52. <sup>26</sup>–<sup>29</sup> The remaining restorations, quite dubious, are largely my own. <sup>29</sup> The m<sup>o</sup> of ayāumainiš was omitted on the Rock.

For my variations from Hz.'s text, see Lg. 15.166–74, JNES 4.39–52.

TRANSLATION OF DN<sup>b</sup>:

✓ §7. 1-5. A great god is Ahuramazda, who created this excellent work which is seen, who created happiness for man, who bestowed wisdom and activity upon Darius the King.

§8a. 5-11. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda I am of such a sort that I am a friend to right, I am not a friend to wrong. It is not my desire that the weak man should have wrong done to him by the mighty; nor is that my desire, that the mighty man should have wrong done to him by the weak.

§8b. 11-5. What is right, that is my desire. I am not a friend to the man who is a Lie-follower. I am not hot-tempered. What things develop in my anger, I hold firmly under control by my thinking power. I am firmly ruling over my own (impulses).

§8c. 16-21. The man who cooperates, him according to his cooperative action, him thus do I reward. Who does harm, him according to the damage thus I punish. It is not my desire that a man should do harm; nor indeed is that my desire, if he should do harm, he should not be punished.

§8d. 21-4. What a man says against a man, that does not convince me, until he satisfies the Ordinance of Good Regulations.

§8e. 24-7. What a man does or performs (for me) according to his (natural) powers, (therewith) I am satisfied, and my pleasure is abundant, and I am well satisfied.

§8f. 27-31. Of such a sort is my understanding and my command: when what has been done by me thou shalt see or hear of, both in the palace and in the war-camp, this is my activity over and above my thinking power and my understanding.

§8g. 31-40. This indeed is my activity: inasmuch as my body has the strength, as battle-fighter I am a good battle fighter. Once let there be seen with understanding in the place (of battle), what I see (to be) rebellious, what I see (to be) not (rebellious); both with understanding and with command then am I first to think with action, when I see a rebel as well as when I see a not-(rebel).

§8h. 40-45. Trained am I both with hands and with feet. As a horseman I am a good horseman. As a bowman I am a good bowman both afoot and on horseback. As a spearman I am a good spearman both afoot and on horseback.

§8i. 45-9. And the (physical) skillfulnesses which Ahuramazda has bestowed upon me and I have had the strength to use them—by the favor of Ahuramazda what has been done by me, I have done with these skillfulnesses which Ahuramazda has bestowed upon me.

§9a. 50-5. O menial, vigorously make thou known of what sort I am, and of what sort my skillfulnesses, and of what sort my superiority. Let not that seem false to thee, which has been heard by thy ears. That do thou hear, which is communicated to thee.

§9b. 55-60. O menial, let that not be made (to seem) false to thee, which has been done by me. That do thou behold, which [has been inscribed]. Let not the laws [be disobeyed] by thee. Let not [anyone] be untrained [in obedience]. [O menial], let not the king (feel himself obliged to) inflict punishment (?) [for wrong-doing (?) on the dwellers (in the land) (?)].

## TEXT OF DN, MINOR INSCRIPTIONS:

DNc 1 Gaubarava : Pātišuvariš : Dāra  
2 yavahauš : xšāyašiyahyā : arštibara  
DNd 1 Aspacanā : vaçabara : Dārayavahauš :

xš

2 āyāšiyahyā : isuvām : dārayatī

DN I iyam : Pārsa  
II iyam : Māda  
III iyam : Ūjva  
IV iyam : Parθava  
XV iyam : Sakā : tigraxaudā  
XVI iyam : Bābiruš  
XVII iyam : Aθuriya  
XXIX iyam : Maciyā

NOTES TO DN, MINOR INSCRIPTIONS: DNc: *²nrštibara*, engraved *²aršatibra*; the original draft was miswritten *aršatibra*, and the ř, intended to replace the s<sup>a</sup>, was by error inserted in the place of the a. (But the first engraved character is read by Cameron from photographs not as ř, but as h<sup>a</sup>; for a miswritten h<sup>a</sup> I can offer no explanation).

DNd: Aspathines has a heavy bow, or a bowcase, slung over his left shoulder, and holds a battle-ax in his hand; cf. JNES 4.233.

## TRANSLATION OF DN, MINOR INSCRIPTIONS:

DNc: Gobryas, a Patischorian, spear-bearer of Darius the King.

DNd: Aspathines, bowbearer, holds the battle-ax of Darius the King.

DN I: This is the Persian.

DN II: This is the Mede.

DN III: This is the Elamite.

DN IV: This is the Parthian.

DN XV: This is the Scythian with pointed cap.

DN XVI: This is the Babylonian.

DN XVII: This is the Assyrian.

DN XXIX: This is the man of Maka.

**DSa** = DARIUS, SUSA A.

1 adam : Dārayavauš : XŠ : vazraka : XŠ  
XŠyān

2 ām : XŠ DHnām : Vištāspahyā : puça : Ha

3 xāmaniš̄ya : ə̄tiy : Dārayavauš : XŠ

4 : vašnā : AMha : adam : ava : akunavam :  
tya :

5 akunavam : visahyā : frašam : ədayātaiy

NOTE TO DSa: *frašam* : *ədayātaiy*, Hz. ApI 156–8, for the previously accepted *frašta* : *ədayāmai*; but Hinz, ZDMG 95.223–5, supports *a*[dam] : *visa*[hyā] : *frašta* : *ədayāmai*.

TRANSLATION OF DSa:

1. 1–3. I am ... (= DPa 1–5).

§2. 3–5. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda I have done that which I have done; to every one may it seem excellent.

**DSb** = DARIUS, SUSA B.

1 adam : Dārayavau

2 š : xšāyaθ̄iya

3 : vazraka : xšāya

4 θ̄iya : xšāyaθ̄i

5 yānām : xšāya

6 θ̄iya : dahiynā

7 m : xšāyaθ̄iya :

8 haruvahyāya :

9 būmiyā : Vištā

10 āspahyā : puça

11 : Haxāmaniš̄ya

TRANSLATION OF DSb: I am ... (= DPa 1–4), King in all the earth, ... (= DPe 4–5).

**DSc** = DARIUS, SUSA C.

adam : Dārayavauš XŠ : vazraka XŠ XŠyānām : Vištāspahyā : puça

TRANSLATION OF DSc: I am ... (= DPa 1–3, 4–5).

**DSd** = DARIUS, SUSA D.

1 adam Dārayavauš XŠ vazraka XŠ XŠyānām

XŠ DHnām XŠ

2 ahyāyā BUyā Vištāspahyā : puça :

Haxāmaniš̄ya ə̄

3 t̄iy Dārayavauš XŠ vašnā AMha imam :  
dacaram akunavam

TRANSLATION OF DSd:

§1. 1–2. I am ... (= DPa 1–4), King in this earth, ... (= DPe 4–5).

§2. 2–3. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda I built this palace.

**DSe** = DARIUS, SUSA E.

1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : imā

2 m : būmim : adadā : hya : avam : as

3 mānam : adadā : hya : martiyam : ad

4 adā : hya : šiyālīm : adadā : mart

5 iyahyā : hya : Dārayavaum : XŠm : ak

6 unauš : aivam : parūnām : XŠm : a

7 iwam : parūvnām : framāltāram : a

8 dam : Dārayavauš : XŠ : vazraka : XŠ : XŠy

9 ə̄nām : XŠ : dahiynām : vispažanā

10 nām : XŠ : ahyāyā : būmiyā : vaz

11 rakāyā : dūraiyl : apiy : Vištā

12 pahyā : puça : Haxāmaniš̄ya : Pār

13 sa : Pārsahyā : puça : Ariya : Ari

14 ya : ciça : ə̄tiy : Dārayavauš : XŠ :

15 vašnā : Auramazdāhā : imā : dāhy

16 āva : tyā : adam : agarbāyam : apata

17 ram : hacā : Pārā : adamšām : pat

18 iyaxšayaīy : manā : bājim : abara :

19 tyāsām : hacāma : aθahya : ava : aku

20 nava : dātam : tya : manā : avadiš : a

21 dāraya : Māda : Ūja : Parbava : Haraiva :

22 Bāxtriš : Suguda : Uvārazmīš

23 : Zrdka : Harawatiš : Ətaguš : Maci

24 yā : Gadāra : Hiduš : Sakā : haumava

25 rgā : Sakā : tigraxaudā : Bābir

26 uš : Aθurā : Arabāya : Mudrāya :

27 Armina : Katpatuka : Sparda : Yaun

28 ə̄ : t̄yaiy : drayahyā : utā : tyai

29 y : paradraya : Skudra : Putāyā :

30 Kūšiyā : Karkā : ə̄tiy : Dāra

31 yavauš : XŠ : vasiy : tya : duškarta

32 m : āha : ava : naibam : akunavam : da

33 hyāva : ayauda : aniya : aniyam :

34 aja : ava : adam : akunavam : vašnā

35 : Auramazdāhā : yaθā : aniya : a

36 niyam : naiy : jatiy : cīnā : gā

37 ə̄avā : kašciy : astiy : dātam :

38 tya : manā : hacā : avanā : tarsati

39 y : yaθā : hya : tauvīyā : tyam : s

40 kauθim : naiy : jatiy : naiy : vi

41 mardatiy : ə̄tiy : Dārayavauš :

42 XŠ : vašnā : Auramazdāhā : dastaka  
 43 rtam : vasiy : tya : parwam : naiy  
 44 : gāθavā : kartam : ava : adam : gāθa  
 45 vā : akunavam : + + + : nāma : varda  
 46 nam : didā : hanatāyā : avagmat  
 47 ā : paruvam : akartā : hacā : ava  
 48 daša : ā : pasāva : didām : aniy  
 49 ām : akunavam : θātīy : Dārayavau  
 50 § : XŠ : mām : AM : pātuv : hadā : ba  
 51 gaibīš : utamaiy : viθam : u  
 52 tā : tyamaiy : nipištām

NOTES TO DSe: For the restoration of this text, see the references in the bibliography.

<sup>21-20</sup> The list of provinces is restored by retranslation from the Akk. version; whether both *Putāyā* and *Kūšiyā* stood in 29-30 depends upon whether the gap at the end of line 21 of the Akk. is adequate to hold both names.  
<sup>28</sup> ci[nā] Kent, JAOS 58.116-7; ci[ltā] Sea 134. <sup>45-9</sup> The restorations are quite uncertain; but cf. Hinz, ZDMG 95.229-32.

#### TRANSLATION OF DSe:

- §1. 1-7. . . (= DNa 1-8).  
 §2. 7-14. . . (= DNa 8-15).

#### DSf = DARIUS, SUSA F.

1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : imām : būmim : a  
 2 dā : hya : axam : asmānam : adā : hya : martyam : adā  
 3 : hya : šiyātim : adā : martyahyā : hya : Dāra  
 4 yawāum : XŠyam : akunauš : aivam : parūnām : XŠ  
 5 Yam : aivam : parūnām : framātāram : adam : Dāra  
 6 yavaus : XŠ : vazraka : XŠ : XŠyānām : XŠ : DHnām : XŠ  
 7 : ahīyā : BUyā : Vištāspahyā : puça : Haxāma  
 8 nišīya : θātīy : Dārayavauš : XŠ : Auramazdā :  
 9 hya : maθīšta : bagānām : hauv : mām : adā : ha  
 10 uv : mām : XŠyam : akunauš : haumaiy : ima : xša  
 11 çam : frābara : tya : vazrakam : tya : uvaspam : uma  
 12 rtīyam / vašnā : Auramazdāhā : hya : manā : pītā  
 13 : Vištāspa : utā : Aršāma : hya : manā : niyāka :  
 14 tyā : ubā : ajīvatām : yadiy : Auramazdā : mā  
 15 m : XŠyam : akunauš : ahīyā : BUyā : Auramazd  
 16 ām : avaθā : kāma : āha : haruwahīyā : BUyā : mar  
 17 tiyam : mām : avarnavatā : mām : XŠyam : akunauš :  
 18 haruwahīyā : BUyā : adam : Auramazdām : ayadaiy :  
 19 Auramazdāmai : upastām : abara : tyamaiy : fram  
 20 ātam : cartānay : ava : ucaramaiy : akunauš : t  
 21 ya : adam : akunavam : visam : vašnā : Auramazdāhā :  
 22 akunavam : ima : hadiš : tya : Çūšāyā : akunavam :  
 23 hacāciy : dūradaša : arjananšāy : abariya / frava  
 24 ta : BU : akaniya : yātā : ablagm : BUyā : avārasam :  
 25 yaθā : katam : abava : pasāva : θīkā : avāniya : aniyā :  
 26 XL : arašaniš : baršnā : aniyā : XX : arašaniš : barš

§3. 14-30. . . (= DNa 15-24), men of Maka, . . . (= DNa 24-8), Ionians, (those) who are by the sea and (those) who are across the sea, Skudra, Libyans, Ethiopians, Carians.

§4. 30-41. Saith Darius the King: Much which was ill-done, that I made good. Provinces were in commotion; one man was smiting the other. The following I brought about by the favor of Ahuramazda, that the one does not smite the other at all, each one is in his place. My law—of that they feel fear, so that the stronger does not smite nor destroy the weak.

§5. 41-9. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda, much handiwork which previously had been put out of its place, that I put in its place. A town by name . . . , (its) wall fallen from age, before this unrepaired—I built another wall (to serve) from that time into the future.

§6. 49-52. Saith Darius the King: Me may Ahuramazda together with the gods protect, and my royal house, and what has been inscribed by me.

- 27 nā : upariy : avām : 0ikām : hadiš : frāsahya.  
 28 : utā : tya : BU : akaniya : fravata : utā : tya : 0ikā :  
 29 avaniya : utā : tya : ištiš : ajaniya : kāra : hya : Bā  
 30 bīruviya : hauv : akunaus : īarmiš : hya : nau  
 31 caina : hauv : Labanāna : nāma : kaufa : hacā : avanā : aba  
 32 riya : kāra : hya : Aθuriya : haudim : abara : yātā :  
 33 Bābirauv : hacā : Bābirauv : Karkā : utā : Yau  
 34 nā : abara : yātā : Qūšāyā : yakā : hacā : Gadārā  
 35 : abariya : utā : hacā : Karmānā : daraniyam : hacā  
 36 : Spardā : utā : hacā : Bāxtriyā : abariya : tya  
 37 : idā : akariya : kāsaka : hya : kapautaka : utā : sikab  
 38 ruš : hya : idā : karta : hauv : hacā : Sugudā : aba  
 39 riya : kāsaka : hya : axšaima : hauv : hacā : Uvāraz  
 40 miyā : abariya : hya : idā : karta : ardatam : utā : a  
 41 sā : dārv : hacā : Mudrāyā : abariya : ar  
 42 janam : tyanā : didā : pištā : ava : hacā : Yaun  
 43 ā : abariya : piruš : hya : idā : karta : hacā : Kūš  
 44 ā : utā : hacā : Hidauv : utā : hacā : Harauvat  
 45 iyā : abariya : stūnā : aθagainiya : tyā : id  
 46 ā : kartā : Abirāduš : nāma : āvahanam : Ūjaiy  
 47 : hacā : avadaša : abariya : martiyā : karnuvakā : t  
 48 yaiy : aθagam : akunavatā : avaiy : Yaunā : utā  
 49 : Spardiyā : martiyā : dāraniyakarā : tyaiy : daran  
 50 iyam : akunavaša : avaiy : Mādā : utā : Mudrāy  
 51 ā : martiyā : tyaiy : dārv : akunavaša : avaiy :  
 52 Spardiyā : utā : Mudrāyā : martiyā : tyaiy  
 53 : agurum : akunavaš : avaiy : Bābiruviy  
 54 ā : martiyā : tyaiy : didām : apiθa : avaiy : Mād  
 55 ā : utā : Mudrāyā : 0atiy : Dārayavaš : XŠ :  
 56 Qūšāyā : paruv : frašam : framātam : paruw : fraša  
 57 m : aha : mām : Auramazdā : pātu : utā : V  
 58 ištāspam : hya : manā : pitā : utamaṣy : DHum

NOTES TO DSf: The line-division is that of Scheil's tablet *a*, completed with the evidence of numerous fragments of other copies and that of the Elamite and Akkadian versions. All copies had the same text, except as stated in the note to line 55; there is no basis for the variations given by Brd., WZKM 39.30–9.

<sup>14</sup> *tyā* König, Burgbau 29; *imā* Hz. AMI 3.34; but the traces are very faint and indecisive, cf. Kent, JAOS 53.8. <sup>20</sup> Retranslation of Elam. version by Hinz, JNES 9.1–7, because of Elam. *u-ṣa-ra-um-mi*, transliteration of OP *ucáramaiy* = *ucáram-maiy*; the Akk. version is here, as often, quite different. <sup>21</sup> The Akk. does not warrant *ava* with *visam*; in this phrase, *ava* always precedes, but the OP has no gap at that point. <sup>22</sup> *frāsah[ya]* (passive) is probably better than *my frāsaha[m]* (active), JAOS 53.13. <sup>24</sup> *dāruva* Scheil 21.18, etc., is a better reading than *sāruva*, Hz. API 299; but normalize *dārv*, with Duchesne-Guillemin (*dār* certain, according to Duchesne-Guillemin, who inspected the original tablet at the Louvre in 1948); for meaning and normalization, see Lex. s.v. *dārv*. <sup>22</sup> *[pi]ištā* Bv. BSLP 30.1.62–3; *[di]ištā* Hz.

AMI 3.37. <sup>21</sup> *[dār]uv* Hinz, rather than *[išmal]uv*; see Lex. s.vv.

<sup>23</sup> ‘Babylonians’ here seems to denote ‘Ionians resident in Babylonia’, cf. König, Burgbau 25; confirmed by the reading of Akk. frag. Y line 9 of obverse (Akk. 21 = OP 30), given by Scheil 24.107. <sup>26</sup> Between the text of 55 and that of 56, Scheil's fragment *θ* indicates the presence of *vašnā Auramazdā* (JAOS 51.196); but there is no space for it in tablet *a*. There is also no room for *aita tya*, inserted here by Hz. AMI 3.38, 3.77. <sup>27</sup> *[āha]* Brd. WZKM 39.36; probably better than *abava*, Kent, JAOS 52.22–3.

#### TRANSLATION OF DSf:

§1. 1–5. . . (= DN 1–8).

§2. 5–8. . . (= DSd 1–2).

§3a. 8–12. Saith Darius the King: Ahuramazda, the greatest of the gods—he created me; he made me king; he bestowed upon me this kingdom,

great, possessed of good horses, possessed of good men.

§3b. 12-5. By the favor of Ahuramazda my father Hystaspes and Arsames my grandfather—these both were living when Ahuramazda made me king in this earth.

§3c. 15-8. Unto Ahuramazda thus was the desire: he chose me as (his) man in all the earth; he made me king in all the earth.

§3d. 18-22. I worshipped Ahuramazda. Ahuramazda bore me aid. What was by me commanded to do, that he made successful for me. What I did, all by the favor of Ahuramazda I did.

§3e. 22-7. This palace which I built at Susa, from afar its ornamentation was brought. Downward the earth was dug, until I reached rock in the earth. When the excavation had been made, then rubble was packed down, some 40 cubits in depth, another (part) 20 cubits in depth. On that rubble the palace was constructed.

§3f. 28-30. And that the earth was dug downward, and that the rubble was packed down, and that the sun-dried brick was molded, the Babylonian people—it did (these tasks).

§3g. 30-5. The cedar timber, this—a mountain by name Lebanon—from there was brought. The Assyrian people, it brought it to Babylon; from Babylon the Carians and the Ionians brought it to Susa. The *yakā*-timber was brought from Gandara and from Carmania.

§3h. 35-40. The gold was brought from Sardis and from Bactria, which here was wrought. The precious stone lapis-lazuli and carnelian which was wrought here, this was brought from Sogdiana. The precious stone turquoise, this was brought from Chorasmia, which was wrought here.

§3i. 40-5. The silver and the ebony were brought from Egypt. The ornamentation with which the wall was adorned, that from Ionia was brought. The ivory which was wrought here, was brought from Ethiopia and from Sind and from Arachosia.

§3j. 45-9. The stone columns which were here wrought, a village by name Abiradu, in Elam—from there were brought. The stone-cutters who

wrought the stone, those were Ionians and Sardians.

§3k. 49-55. The goldsmiths who wrought the gold, those were Medes and Egyptians. The men who wrought the wood, those were Sardians and Egyptians. The men who wrought the baked brick, those were Babylonians. The men who adorned the wall, those were Medes and Egyptians.

§4. 55-8. Saith Darius the King: At Susa a very excellent (work) was ordered, a very excellent (work) was (brought to completion). Me may Ahuramazda protect, and Hystaspes my father, and my country.

DSg = DARIUS, SUSA G.

1 adam : Dārayavauš XŠ vazraka XŠ XŠyānām  
XŠ DHnām XŠ ah

2 yāyā BUyā : Vištāspahyā puça Haxāmanišya  
θāt

3 iy : Dārayavauš XŠ viθiyā imā stūnā adam  
akunavam

NOTE TO DSg: [viθiyā imā stūnā] Brd., for which Hinz, ZDMG 95.238, prefers [imām apadānām].

TRANSLATION OF DSg:

§1. 1-2. . . (= DSd 1-2).

§2. 2-3. Saith Darius the King: In (my) house I made these columns.

DSi = DARIUS, SUSA I.

1 adam : Dārayavauš XŠ : vazraka : XŠ  
XŠyānām : XŠ DHnām : XŠ a

2 hyāyā BUyā : Vištāspahyā : puça :  
Haxāmanišya : θ

3 ātiy : Dārayavauš XŠ : yaθā : AM : mām :  
XŠyam : akunauš :

4 ahyāyā BUyā : vašnā : AMha : visam : naibam  
: akunavam

NOTE TO DSi: For restoration, cf. XPg 4, XV 20; but the Akk. does not warrant Brd.'s *visam tya naibam*, WZKM 39.43; cf. XPh 43.

TRANSLATION OF DSi:

§1. 1-2. . . (= DSd 1-2).

§2. 2-4. Saith Darius the King: After Ahuramazda made me king in this earth, by the favor of Ahuramazda everything (that) I did (was) good.

DSj = DARIUS, SUSA J.

1 adam : Dārayavauš XŠ : vazraka XŠ XŠyānām : XŠ ahyāyā BUyā : Vištāspahyā :

2 puça : Haxāmanišya : θātiy : Dārayavauš XŠ : ima : tya : adam : akunavam :

3 parwiyaθā : naiy : akunavam : yaθā : AMhā : framānā : āha : avaθā : akunava

4 *m* : *mām* : AM : *dauštā* : āha : *tya* : *akunavam* : *avamaiy* : *visam* : *ucāram* : āha : *θā*  
 5 *tiy* : *Dārayavaus* XŠ : *vašnā* AMhā : *hya* : *ima* : *hadis* : *vainātiy* : *tya* : *manā* : *ka*  
 6 *rtam* : *visahyā* : *frašam* : *θadayātatiy* : *mām* : AM : *pātw* : *utamaiy* : DHum

NOTES to DSj: <sup>3</sup> [paruw]iyabā naiy ‘nicht in einem einzigen Anhieb’ Brd.; [aparuw]iyabā naiy ‘wie nie zuvor’ Hz. API 103; [++++]iyabā naiy ‘nicht planlos’ Hinz, ZDMG 95.240–1. <sup>4</sup> *frašam θadayātaiy* Hz., as in DSA 5, q.v.; *frašta θadayātaiy* Scheil, supported by Hinz, ZDMG 95.224.

#### TRANSLATION OF DSj:

§1. 1–2. . . (= DSd 1–2, with an omission).

§2. 2–4. Saith Darius the King: That which I did, I did not do at first attempt. As was Ahuramazda’s command, so I did. Unto me Ahuramazda was a friend; what I did, all that was successful for me.

§3. 4–6. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda, to every one who shall see this palace which has been built by me, may it seem excellent. Me may Ahuramazda protect, and my country.

DSk = DARIUS, SUSA K.

1 adam : *Dārayavaus* : XŠ : *vazraka* : XŠ : XŠy  
 2 ānām : XŠ : DHnām : Vištāspahyā :

DSm = DARIUS, SUSA M.

1 adam : *Dārayavaus* : XŠ : *vazraka* : XŠ : XŠyānam :  
 2 XŠ : DHnām : Vištāspahyā : puça : *Haxāmanisiya* :  
 3 ātatiy : *Dārayavaus* : XŠ : AMmai y : xšaçam : frābara :  
 4 *tya* : *vazrakam* : *tya* : umartiyam : mām : xšāyabiyam :  
 5 ahīyā : būmiyā : akunauš : vašnā : AMhā : imū : dah  
 6 yāva : tysišām : adam : xšāyabiyā : abavam : Pārsa :  
 7 Ūja : Bābiruš : Aθurā : Arabāya : Mudrāya : Sparda :  
 8 Yauna : Māda : Armina : Katpatuka : Parθava : Zraka :  
 9 Haraiva : Uvārazmiš : Bāxtriš : Suguda : Gadāra :  
 10 θataguš : Harauwatiš : Hiduš : Skudra : Yaunā : taka  
 11 barā : . . . . .

NOTE TO DS<sub>M</sub>: The reconstructed text of Brd. WZKM 39.55–8 is here given, despite inconsistencies in the use of the ideograms.

#### TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>M</sub>:

§1. 1–2. I am . . . (= DPa 1–5).

§2. 3–11. Saith Darius the King: Ahuramazda bestowed upon me the kingdom, great, possessed of good men; he made me king in this earth. By the favor of Ahuramazda these are the countries of which I became king: Persia, Elam, Babylonian, Assyria, Arabia, Egypt, Sardis, Ionia, Media, Ar-

menia, Cappadocia, Parthia, Drangiana, Aria, Chorasmia, Bactria, Sogdiana, Gandara, Sattagydia, Arachosia, Sind, Skudra, petasos-wearing Ionians, . . .

DSn = DARIUS, SUSA N.

1 *imam* : *patikaram* : *Dārayavaus* : XŠ : niyāstāya : *cartanaiy* : + + + . . .  
 2 . . . + + na : *Dārayavaum* : XŠyam : AM : *pātw* : utā : *tya* : *kartam*

TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>N</sub>: This sculpture Darius the King commanded to make; . . . Darius the

King may Ahuramazda protect, and what was made (by him).

**DSo = DARIUS, SUSA O.**

- 1 ++++++ ++++++ ++++++ naš<sup>a</sup>
- 2 tam : akunavam : ḥātiy : Dā
- 3 rayavaus : XŠ : vašnā : AMha : Ķūš
- 4 āyā : idā : frašam : akunavam

NOTE TO DSo: Hinz, ZDMG 95.255-7, restores in part as an inscription of Darius II (D<sup>2</sup>Sd).

TRANSLATION OF DSo: ... I made. Saith Darius the King: By the favor of Ahuramazda, I constructed here at Susa an excellent (building).

**DSp = DARIUS, SUSA P.**

- 1 Auramazdā : vazraka : hya : maθišta : bagānām : hauw : Dā
- 2 rayavaum : XŠyam : adā : haušaiy : xšaçam : frābara : tya : nai
- 3 bam : tya : uraθaram : uwaspm : umartiyam : ....

NOTES TO DS<sub>P</sub>: <sup>a</sup> [u]raθaram Brd. WZKM 39.61-2; [f]raθaram By. BSLP 33.2.151. The complete version given above is Brd.'s; Hinz, ZDMG 95.244 proposes the following:

- 1 [baga : vazraka : Auramazdā] : hya : maθišta : bagān
- 2 ām : hya : Dārayavaum : ] XŠya[m : akunauš : ḥāti
- 3 y : Dārayavaus XŠ : ima : f]raθaram : adam : akunavam]

TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>P</sub>: Great Ahuramazda, the greatest of the gods—he created Darius the King, he bestowed upon him the kingdom, good, possessed of good charioteers, of good horses, of good men ...

**DSq = DARIUS, SUSA Q.**

- 1 ... a ...
- 2 ... : Dārayavaus : XŠ : ... : cašam : ...
- 3 ... : adānā : ... ... nas'tā ...
- 4 ... m : mā : ka ... ... : mā : yā ...

TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>Q</sub>: ... Darius the King ... eye ... he knew ... let not ... let not ...

**DSs = DARIUS, SUSA S.**

- 1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : frašam : ah
- 2 yāyā : būmīyā : kunautiy : hya : mart
- 3 iyam : ahyāyā : būmīyā : kunau
- 4 tīy : hya : šiyātim : kunautiy :
- 5 martiyahyā : hya : uwaspm : uraθācā :
- 6 kunautiy : manā : haudiš : frābara : mām : Au
- 7 ramazdā : pātuv : utā : tyamaiy : kartam :

NOTE TO DS<sub>S</sub>: Hinz, ZDMG 95.245-8, restores one more line at the beginning, and has a different wording in line 6, as follows:

- 0 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : maθišta : bag
- 1 ānām : hya : Dārayavaum : xsāyābiyam :] ah
- ....

- 6 [kunautiy : hyamaiy : upastām : abāra : mām : Au

TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>S</sub>: A great god is Ahuramazda, who makes excellence in this earth, who makes man in this earth, who makes happiness for man, who makes good horses and good chariots. On me he bestowed them. Me may Ahuramazda protect and what has been built by me.

**DSt = DARIUS, SUSA T.**

- 1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : imā
- 2 m : būmim : adā : hya : avam : as
- 3 mānam : adā : hya : martiyam : a
- 4 dā : hya : šiyātim : adā : mart
- 5 iyahyā : hya : Dārayavaum : xš
- 6 āyābiyam : akunauš : ḥāti
- 7 y : Dārayavaus : XŠ : mām : Auramaz
- 8 dā : pātuv : hadā : bagaibīš
- 9 : utamaiy : viθam : utā : ūv
- 10 ām : kā : XŠ : hya : aparam : ahy

TRANSLATION OF DSt:

§1. 1-6. ... (= DS<sub>N</sub> 1-6).

§2. 6-10. ... (= DS<sub>E</sub> 49-51) and thee, who-ever shalt be king hereafter.

**DSy = DARIUS, SUSA Y.**

- 1 adam : Dārayavaus XŠ : vazraka XŠ XŠyānām
- 2 XŠ DHyūnām XŠ : ahyāyā BUYā : Vi
- 3 štāspahyā : puça : Haxāmanišiya

NOTE TO DS<sub>Y</sub>: Text read from a carbon rubbing, which assures the omission of the word-dividers; but the space in the lost part of line 3 requires its presence. The defective copy has slightly different line division.

TRANSLATION OF DS<sub>Y</sub>: ... (= DS<sub>D</sub> 1-2).

**DZ = DARIUS, SUEZ INSCRIPTIONS.**

NOTE TO DZ: Our text of the Suez inscriptions is based on the original publications of Ménant and Daressy in Recueil de Travaux, vols. 9 and 11, with comparison of Oppert, Le Peuple et la Langue des Mèdes 217-8; cf. JNES 1.415-21.

**DZa = DARIUS, SUEZ A.**

- 1 Dā 2 raya 3 va 4 uš

TRANSLATION OF DZa: Darius.

**DZb = DARIUS, SUEZ B.**

- 1 Dārayavaus : XŠ : vazraka
- 2 : XŠ : XŠyānām : XŠ : dahy

3 ūnām : XŠ : ahyāyā :  
 4 būmiyā : vazrakāyā :  
 5 Vištāspahyā : pu

6 ça : Haxāmanišiya  
 TRANSLATION OF DZb: ... (= DNA 8-12, lacking two words).

## DZc = DARIUS, SUEZ C.

1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : avam : asmānam : adā : hya : imām : būm  
 2 im : adā : hya : martiyam : adā : hya : šiyātīm : adā : martiyahy  
 3 ā : hya : Dārayavaum : XŠyam : akunauš : hya : Dārayavahauš : XŠyā : xšaça  
 4 m : frābara : tya : vazrakam : tya : waspam : umartiyam : adam : Dārayavaum :  
 5 XŠ : vazraka : XŠ : XŠyanām : XŠ : dāhyūnām : vispazanānām : XŠ : ahyāy  
 6 ā : būmiyā : vazrakāyā : dūraiy : apiy : Vištāspahyā : puça : Ha  
 7 xāmanišiya : ūtīy : Dārayavauš : XŠ : adam : Pārsa : amiy : hacā : Pā  
 8 rsā : Mudrāyam : agarbāyam : adam : niyaštāyam : imām : yauviyā  
 9 m : katanai : hacā : Pirāva : nāma : rauta : tya : Mudrāyayi : danuvatiy : ab  
 10 iy : draya : tya : hacā : Pārsā : aity : pasāva : iyam : yauviyā : akaniya :  
 11 avaθā : yaθā : adam : niyaštāyam : utā : nāva : āyatā : hacā : Mudrā  
 12 yā : tara : imām : yauviyām : abiy : Pārsam : avaθā : yaθā : nām : kāma : āha

NOTES TO DZc: The Fragment has <sup>9-10</sup> a]biy [: draya and <sup>10-1</sup> akaniya : a]vāba.

## TRANSLATION OF DZc:

§1. 1-4. ... (= DNA 1-6, with one change of order); who upon Darius the King ... (= DSf 11-2).

§2. 4-7. ... (= DNA 8-13).

§3. 7-12. Saith Darius the King: I am a Persian; from Persia I seized Egypt; I gave order to dig this canal from a river by name Nile which flows in Egypt, to the sea which goes from Persia. Afterward this canal was dug thus as I had ordered, and ships went from Egypt through this canal to Persia thus as was my desire.

## DE = DARIUS, ELVEND.

1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā  
 2 : hya : imām : būmim :  
 3 adā : hya : avam : asmā  
 4 nam : adā : hya : martiyā  
 5 m : adā : hya : šiyātī  
 6 m : adā : martiyahy :  
 7 hya : Dārayavaum : xšāya  
 8 ūtīyam : akunauš : aiva  
 9 m : partūnām : xšāyaθ  
 10 iyam : aivam : parūnām  
 11 : framātāram : adam :  
 12 Dārayavauš : xšāyaθ  
 13 ya : vazraka : xšāyaθiya :  
 14 xšāyaθiyānām : xš

15 āyaθiya : dāhyūnām : pa  
 16 ruzanānām : xšāyaθ  
 17 iya : ahyāyā : būmiy  
 18 ā : vazrakāyā : dūraiy  
 19 : apiy : Vištāspahy  
 20 ā : puça : Haxāmanišiya

## TRANSLATION OF DE:

§1. 1-11. ... (= DNA 1-8).  
 §2. 11-20. ... (= DNA 8-10), containing many men, ... (= DNA 11-3).

## DH = DARIUS, HAMADAN.

1 Dārayavauš : XŠ : vazraka : XŠ : XŠyanām : XŠ : dāhy  
 2 ūvnām : Vištāspahyā : puça : Haxāmanišiya :  
 3 ūtīy : Dārayavauš : XŠ : ima : xšācam : tya : ada  
 4 m : dārayāmīy : hacā : Sakaibiš : tyaiy : pa  
 5 ra : Sugdam : amata : yātā : ā : Kūšā : hacā : Hida  
 6 uv : amata : yātā : ā : Spardā : tyamaiy : Aurama  
 7 zdā : frābara : hya : maθišta : bagānām : m  
 8 am : Auramazdā : pātuv : utāmai : viθam

NOTE to DH: Our text follows the line-divisions of the copy on the gold plate.

## TRANSLATION OF DH:

§1. 1-2. ... (= DPh 1-3).  
 §2. 3-8. ... (= DPh 3-10).

## XPa = XERXES, PERSEPOLIS A.

1 baga : vazraka : Auramazdā : hya : imām : būmim : a  
 2 dā : hya : avam : asmānam : adā : hva : martivam :