Athens, short after 134/3 BC

1. You have to identify the type of the following inscriptions and briefly state its content.

To Isis, to Anoubis Nikonymos son of Antiphanes of Oinoe having been priest in the archonship of Xenon dedicated (this), when Metrodoros of Chalkedon was temple attendant:

Ί[σ]ιδι Ἀν[ού]βιδι
Νικώνυμος Ἀντιφάνου Οἰναῖος
ἱερεὺς γενόμενος ἐπὶ Ξένωνος
ἄρχοντος ἀνέθηκεν, ζακορεύοντος
5 Μητροδώρου Καλχηδονίου.

The text is a dedication by the Athenian Nikonymos, son of Antiphanes, from the Attic deme Oinoe.

The dedication was offered to the Egyptian deities Isis and Anoubis.

The dedicator Nikonymos was a priest (probably of the Egyptian gods) and made his dedication after the end of his priesthood.

This dedication is an official text and is dated in the year of the eponymous Athenian archon, Xenon.

2. In the decree that follows you have to comment 1) the magistrates and the collective bodies of the city of Athens, 2) the elements which date the inscription.

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The Council and the People decided. Kekropis was in prytany. Polymnis of Euonymon was secretary. Alexias was archon. Nikophon of Athmonon was chairman. Proposal of Kleisophos and his fellow prytaneis to praise the Samian envoys, both those who came previously and those who have come now, and their Council and their generals and the other Samians, because they are good men and eager to do what good they can, and the actions which they have performed are judged to have been performed rightly for the Athenians and the Samians; and in return for the good which they have done for the Athenians, and because they now attach importance to the Athenians and propose good things for them, the Council and the People shall decide...

έδοξεν τῆι βολῆι καὶ τῶι δήμωι Κεκροπὶς ἐπρυτάνευε, Πόλυμνις Εὐωνυμεὺς ἐγραμμάτευε, Ἀλεξίας ἦρχε, Νικοφῶν Ἀθμονεὺς ἐπεστάτει γνώμη Κλεσόφο καὶ συνπρυτάνεων ἐπαινέσαι τοῖς πρέσβεσι τοῖς Σαμίοις τοῖς τε προτέροις ἥκοσι καὶ τοῖς νῦν καὶ τῆι βολῆι καὶ τοῖς στρατηγοῖς καὶ τοῖς ἄλλοις Σαμίοις ὅτι ἐσὶν ἄνδρες ἀγαθοὶ καὶ πρόθυμοι ποιεν ὅ τι δύνανται ἀγαθόν,

10 καὶ τὰ πεπραγμένα αὐτοῖς ὅτι δοκοσιν ὀρθῶς ποιῆσαι Ἀθηναίοις καὶ Σαμίοις καὶ ἀντὶ ὧν εὖ πεποιήκασιν Ἀθηναίοις καὶ νῦν περὶ πολλο ποιονται καὶ ἐσηγονται ἀγαθά· δεδόχθαι τῆι βολῆι καὶ τῶι δήμωι...

Magistrates

Secretary of the council

Chairman of the prytaneis

Collective bodies

Council/Boule: the council was made up of 500 Athenian citizens, 50 members from each of the 10 tribes.

People/Demos: the full citizen body which met in assembly (Ekklesia).

Prytany: the executive body of the council. Each prytany consists of 50 members from one tribe.

Date

The year of the eponymous archon Alexias.

In the month when the tribe Kekropis was in the prytany.