Greek History 478-403 BC – Documents (TT 2021)

The lectures will present a selection of documents variously relevant to the history of the fifth century BCE. The documents are listed according to their numbering in R. Osborne and P. J. Rhodes, *Greek Historical Inscriptions 478-404 BC* (RO) and R. Meiggs and D. M. Lewis, *A Selection of Greek Historical Inscriptions to the End of the Fifth Century BC* (ML) + C. Fornara, *Translated Documents of Ancient Greece and Rome* 1.

1. Documents from the *pentekontaetia*

OR 102 ML 30 (= *TDGR* 1, 63). Public curses at Teos, plus *SEG* 31. 985 (for tr. of this see dossier). c. 470 BC.

OR 132 ML 32 (= *TDGR* 1, 70). Law from Halikarnassos about disputed property. (?) 465-450 BC.

OR 109 ML 33 (= *TDGR* 1, 78). Casualty list of Erechtheid tribe. 460 or 459 BC.

OR 110 ML 34 (= *TDGR* 1, 77). Samians fight in Egypt. 460-454 BC. [note that OR also includes the inscription in ML *Addenda* 34]

OR 111 ML 35 (for tr. see dossier). Argives killed at Tanagra. (?) 458 BC.

OR 112 ML 36 (= *TDGR* 1, 80). Thank-offering for Tanagra victory. (?) 458 BC.

2. The epigraphy of the Athenian Empire, I: The Tribute Quota Lists

OR 119 ML 39 (for tr. see dossier). Athenian tribute 454-3 to 432-1 BC. [note that the text selection in OR only partially overlaps with that in ML]

OR 119 ML 50 (for tr. see dossier). Athenian tribute quota-lists 449-446 BC. [note that OR offer a different selection of texts from this period]

3. Documents from the Peloponnesian War (maybe)

OR 166 ML 37 (= *TDGR* 1, 81). Athenian alliance with Egesta in Sicily. Date highly controversial (450's or 418?) see *SEG* 39.1 and 42.4.

OR 142 ML 49 (= *TDGR* 100). Athenian colony at Brea. c. 445 BC.

OR 131 ML 52 (= *TDGR* 1, 103). Athenian relations with Chalkis. 446-5 BC.

OR 149a ML 63 (=*TDGR* 1, 124). Alliance between Athens and Rhegion. 433-2 BC.
OR 149b ML 64 (= TDGR 1, 125). Alliance between Athens and Leontinoi. 433-2 BC.

OR 151 ML 67 (=TDGR 1, 132) + new fragment: the whole is now SEG XXXIX 370 (for text and tr. see dossier). Contributions to Spartan war fund. (?) About 427 BC, but M. Piérart, BCH 119 (1995) 253-82, argues for a date in the Ionian War.

OR 128 ML 67 bis at p.132 of the 1988 reprint (for tr. see dossier). Spartan treaty with an Aitolian community, the Erxadieis. (?) 426 or 425-4 BC.

OR 175 ML 82 (= TDGR 1, 152). Eretria revolts from Athens. 411 BC.

OR 192 ML 95 (=TDGR 2, 4, tr. of ML 95 (c); for the rest see dossier). Thanksgiving offering for Aigospotamoi. 405 BC.

4. The epigraphy of the Athenian Empire, II: Financial documents

OR 152 ML 68 (=TDGR 1, 133). Kleonymos and Tribute collection. 426 BC.


OR 154 ML 46 (= TDGR 1, 98). Tightening-up of tribute payment (‘Kleinias decree’). (?) 447 BC.

OR 155 SEG LI 55, Athenian Decree about coinage, weights and measures: about 415? For text and tr. see dossier.

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