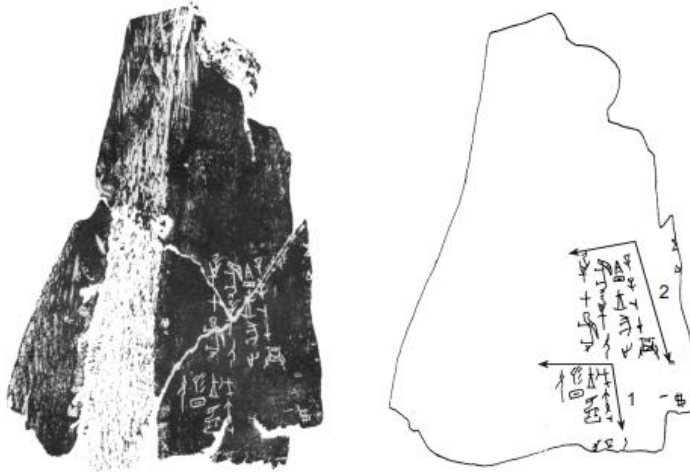




Piece 78

Seven Rhinos Captured



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Transcription

wù yīn crack king trap change date indeed
xīn sì crack at Ji this day king go chase rhino capture indeed capture seven rhino

Reading

- [1] Crack-making on *wúyín* (day 15) the King set up traps for deer, date would change. Indeed, (the date would be changed).
- [2] Crack-making on *xīnsì* (day 18) at Ji. Today, the King would chase rhinoceros. Would (the King) capture (them)? Indeed, (the King) captured seven rhinoceroses.

Annotation

1. This piece (*Heji* 33374) belongs to the diviner *Li Cǎo* Group (歷草類 , Period 1 and 2). The first line mentioned the use of *xiàn* (𧯛), a trap for hunting animals. The second line contains preface, charge, and verification, which stated that the King indeed captured seven rhinos, quite a successful expedition.
2. The graph 𧯛 or 𧯛 (*xiàn* 𧯛) depicts a deer or deer-like animal in a cave, indicating that the animal was trapped in *xiàn jǐng* (陷阱) 'trap'. It was used as a verb, meaning 'to trap and capture'.
3. The graph 𧯛 (*jī* 箕) is the name of the hunting place.