

IL VOLO DEL GRIFO: OSSERVAZIONI SULLA HAGHIA TRIADA
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ABSTRACT

The paper focuses on LM III Haghia Triada. Particular attention is devoted to the architectural activities carried out in the settlement after the LM IB destruction. The two main building phases, already traced by preceding studies, testify the great importance of HaghiaTriada in LM IIIA-B as a second-ordercenter in Knossian administration or as a main centre in a different (and its own) Reign. Some observations concern the craft productions and the overall economic and religious activities carried out at Haghia Triada always in the same period. In this respect the archaeological evidence can be corroborated by the examination of the Knossian linear B tablets, concerning the two settlements of *da-wo* and *pa-i-to*, possibly Haghia Triada's Mycenaean name. The LM III tombs actually known in the site probably testify that the settlement *élite* was constituted by very few individuals, perhaps belonging to just one (or two) family.