I expected a lot more pottery from Phase 7.75 as we seem to be getting now. We have collected very few sherds and one concave cup (see p. 134 - C 9366). In the NW corner, a flat red plate appears. We will uncover it with the next phase. (Schist)

**Phase 7.76**
- Level 2.3.1
- Depth: Top 5.39 - 5.59
- Location: Under Phase 7.75
- Soil: Brown, clayish, like no soil in any pottery last LMI B.

- Brassy blade
- Bone blade
- Wood / bead / firing / food / pilling.

- Burnt soil / C9367 - cup / stone object (?)

- Inlaid bone: Bone (burnt bone?) - brassy blade
- C9367-02
- C9367-04 / C9284, C9294, C9299, C9298, C9307

**C9367 + sieving, charred seed, probably olive pit.**

- **PM - We continue working on Phase 7.76.**

- **This phase, we are reaching the surface which was previously reached in 1988 (Trench).**

- This seems to be indeed a surface of use, but the charcoal floor may still be underneath since we will go down deeper. I will verify with the report for Trench and perhaps we will continue here to look for this charcoal floor.

- Two flat stone plates were removed with this phase, but neither filled flat on the surface. In the new corner, however, beside the purple plate mentioned earlier is another one, with a brassy blade. The corner was cleaned and photographed.

1) parapid - see p. 196
2) Roll B FR 14-15 - bottom half 7.76

- Red / yellow / black / brassy blade
  - (Color: Red / black)

From East.
On August 7, we start a new phase in X2, 8:37, and we now plan to excavate the whole of the room in order to find an earlier floor surface. We start with our half of the room.

**Pha stratigraphy**
- Level 7, 80 B, TR 74 A-74 B, p. 196
- Depth: 5.08 - 5.07 m (p. 196)
- Top level: 5.00 - 4.98 m (p. 196)
- Material: Yellowish-gray, claylike
- Soil: Yellowish-gray, claylike
- Pottery: Other: Shell, bone / from paving - bone, shell, charcoal bits.
- In context: C 9368

The soil is darker than in the previous level, and we can see tiny bits of charcoal. Perhaps this area was used for cooking. Some large fragments of charcoal were found in the NE corner, and another red schist block was exposed. In the center, 3 small patches of a different kind of soil were isolated and plotted.

After completing phase 77, we began excavating X2 in the area of TR 74 A, excavated previously by Sheibani, with phase 77 A (in case of contamination). The walls still go down, and we are probably at a level between the two floor surfaces. This implies two main periods of occupation. If we look at the entrance of X2 from the south, we can see two thresholds - with phase 78, we reached the top one, with our next phase (78) we will reach the earlier one.

As we excavate here, the top of two amphorae appear. The surface is therefore probably not far below. There are two possibilities:

1) a pit was dug in the floor level to allow for the removing...
2) The original floor where the amphorae rested were filled deep, leaving the vessels in place for a later reuse. A new floor level was established at the level of the 1st threshold. So far, no foundation trenches were found around the amphorae, so the 2nd hypothesis is more probable—we must still exist, however, to confirm this.

[Plan 77A] 8 x 2 TR 60A, p.198 - sieving depth: 5.11 - 5.08 (top) / 5.02 - 4.96 (bottom)
location: floor surface & IA (p.3:28)
soil: brown, clay-lik
pottery: latest LM IB. Probably all LM except (a few earlier phases
LM IB-III)
other: charcoal, plaster frag., bone, shell,
invented: C9298 - Alternating Sleeping

As we excavated 77A, we realized that the surface reached by Sheubert is that reached by pails 77 + 77A.

*Roll 9 - TR 31-32 TR 74A-B, 60A showing LMII floor surface & amphorae, p.198

We then divide the trench on a N-S axis and plant with the East half, which measured 1 m. in width from wall 18.

(see p. 300). We start a new pail at level + sieving.

[Plan 78] level 9, TR 74 A-B, 60A, X2 p. 200
depth: 4.95 - 4.98 (top)
location: under pails 77, 77A
soil: dark brown, quite soft
pottery: latest LM IB, * almost identical in date and function as 76, 77 + 77A mostly cepea
TR 74 A, 74 B, 60 A
Bottom April 78
Earlier floor surface see p. 302 for completed levels.

Plaster fragment #1
Approximately 0.16m in length
0.13m in width

A few mm thick
Red, white, blue (?) pattern not quite visible yet.
Will be drawn by G. Bianco.

Another small fragment was uncovered which had red, yellow & black dots.

Other: Plaster bits, bone, shell
Plaster #1 - large fragment bone, shell, charcoal in color: C 9389, C 9380, C 9381

Here we dig from 6 to N. As soon as we found we found substantial pieces of plaster which made about 2 pieces started excavating. One piece was removed (plaster #1).

Summary of the day:
With Paul 78 we have reached the same level as in TR 60 A. This, however, was not the floor level described by Stuber in his report (pail 3:38). We have reached instead a level of sand which accumulated over the last few years. We then continued with pails 77 (TR 74 A, 74 B), and 78 (TR 60 A) with which we reached the LM II floor surface. Then a second piece was found. A red plaster was removed. A little to the east a second piece was found. A red plaster slab was found in the NE corner, and stones were exposed next to the west wall (wall 11), stones upon which the LM I deposit was found (UM I - UM II(?)). After the completion of this level, the area was photographed, and pail 78 was begun.

Pail 78 consists in a section to the east of X2 room - the purpose here is to investigate the lower floor level, which is expected to be at the level of the lower threshold. After the excavation of this pail #1 we will decide on our next move. A plaster fragment was found; some uncoiled cups were revealed.
Level: 3.95m.

On we continue work on pain 9.78 and continue cleaning around pit nos 2.
The shoulders & handles are exposed in addition to more plaster.
The bottom of wall 15 was reached with pain 77. Then dating me wall to the surface first uncovered by Shiben. That is MM 3 II Wall 18, on the other hand, goes down further but the architecture appears to be different; it may have been built on an earlier structure, probably MM 3 III, with pain 77, we reach another surface which consists of some sabs + a large cobble, beach pebbles, cupa (upside down) + flat plaster fragments. The area was cleaned and we are waiting for JT to photograph. We continue excavating space 771 pain 77A (pp. 134). Walls 15 and 17 go down further. We plan to remove the rubble to the East. In the meantime, a 1:20 drawing is being made of the X:3 room to order to try to establish the sequence better.

Pain 67 A - 50+ brown earth, much small rubble. A large shard, standing straight up can be seen at 0.30m from wall 15 (to the East) Large stones oriented E-W are seen, but we cannot see yet if they form a wall. If they were part of the modern retaining wall ... slight while after, they proved to be from the modern wall & were removed. The area space H X:3, is still very messy - there is much rubble underneath much being taken out now.

A discussion took place between JT, M:5 and TS about room X:3. A
Results of the discussion with
Jews, MOC & JS.

Room 4a: 4 main architectural phases, the first being associated with the lower threshold and the 2nd with the higher threshold.

1) The lower threshold: 0.493
   associated with:
   slab beside pits 4.93
   cobble 4.94
   pebble 4.91
   slab 4.91

Walls 18 & 11 go down, but Wall 10 ends at 5.0. Therefore this surface is earlier than wall 10, earlier than the U.M.B. surface associated with it. This hypothesis would make sense, except pottery seems U.M. when we respect earlier (HR). Could Wall 10 be MM in MM re-use? (Could Wall 10 be the South wall of HM deposit of space E?)

Study of MM room, space E
Walls 9, 10
Top wall 9: 5.93 - 5.79
Top wall 10: 5.60 - 5.41
Lower courses of boulders, top courses of stone slabs:
Slab floor: ca. 4.98 - 5.00 m
Wall 10 goes down a little deeper (ca. 0.10) and seems to rest on a subfoundation

2nd period: Higher threshold
Threshold: 0.505
(C930): Cup 0.4 logs 0.509
Peel bony blade 0.509
Feu schist plate 0.518
Resisting on surface
Bottom wall 10: 0.45.01
Surface not paved yet since ground level is lower than wall 10 - earlier surface. Or floor sloped up to the wall

* Continued on page 200 *

 sounding will be done tomorrow to determine what the relationship between walls 11 & 12 is, in the NW corner. We hope to clarify the stratigraphy.

Roll 9 frames 24 - 25
Bottom: pile 9.38 u2, pits & 1, slabs, beach pebbles from NW & SSW. (From N.)

It took us the rest of the day to complete 4.694 ft. because of all the rubble. Wall 14 now appears to be superficial whereas wall 17 is older. In turn, wall 17 may join with wall 15.

Wall 14 stands on the rubble itself. Therefore the relative chronology may be:
1) Wall 17
2) Collapse
3) Wall 14

I cannot provide any pottery evidence yet which could help us date these phases.
Thus if we compare with 5 up to 8, we notice that:
1) Construction is different — wall 9
   does not have courses of brick
2) Bottom of wall 10 is lower (6'-8.8"
   rise on subfoundation) —
   wall 10 doesn't
3) Top of wall 10 higher 6'-10.10.

So if wall 10 isn't MM what is
the 6th wall of space E? The distance
between the U face of walls 8 and
South face of wall 10 is 8' 28", or
other wall is visible from the
N — if there is a wall, it
should be render wall 3 — but
this doesn't leave much space.

As other alternatives are no support
that it has been destroyed.
But if it was a LH wall in
LM re-use and no LH people
come to build walls 18' x 11' against
it? We will clean it up.
Better tomorrow to my no answer
this question. In addition, a soundly
will be made in the new room.

Another theory is that wall 18
was built on an earlier wall —
this was suggested by some very
flat place at no bottom. But
if we look at the door jambs,
appears that no wall belong to
one architectural phase.

They are two different walls,
walls 12 x 18 may be contemporary
and associated with the upper
threshold (5'-01 or higher) we
are inclined to think how that
the top floor sphere is at the

Notion of pile 53, one in pile 54.

In pile 53 we had a schist
slab lying on the surface & bronze
blade (5'-0). The surface would
have sloped towards the scene.
10 reach the 3rd threshold at 5'-03.
The pilnai would therefore not
have been visible (5'-01 + 5'-03).

It was just believed that
the pilnai (in this case pillars 53
and 18) were associated with
the 3rd threshold surface and
not only the timber would be
visible. The pilnai would have
been put up in the previous sur-
face — a foundation trench was
found no answer mis. But!

The slab next to the pilnai
suggests that no pilnai was
there 1st, then the slab put
on top of the surface. Therefore
when the surface reached up
pale 18' dead in earth, he
shoulders & handles were seen.
This is odd... What is also odd
is the small mound of the pilnai.
Some pilnai usually have larger
openings. Therefore could these pilmai
rest on an earlier surface, flat
on the mound?

Therefore the pilnai which were
1st associated with the 2nd
threshold period might now be
associated with the first &
could have been re-used with
the second. The surface that was
reached up pale 54 seems to be
pre-heraeum but we cannot
say yet whether it is MM or LM
used is also a problem — MM in
re-use? LM which replaced a
previous MM? The sound may also.
level: 7.935

8 AM - Since it is now dark to start
the delicate work in X3, we start
a new pail in 748, pail 68 A.

PAIL 68 A (level 5, 748 X3 p. 208)
depth: 5.945 - 5.905 top / 5.945 - 5.775
location: under pail (67) A
soil: brown, soft but much rubble
pottery: latest Archaic? Mixed Mission

Other shell

incorporated: C 9386 closed vase
C 9387 cooking jar
joins us 69 A for both C #
we removed some sand & more
blocks of the modern retaining
wall. It is now clear that the
are in X3. Much rubble is being
taken out again this morning
probably from walls 15 & 17.
After removing some of it we rea-
larly that wall 15 exists. Some
very large flat pieces were some-
what on their side & some shards
of a large cooking vessel can be
seen. Some shells some straight up
Some beach pebbles were also
found. Could this be a 2nd
floor collapse? We clean this area
for photograph.

HMS suggested that the pails
actually belong to the floor itself
associated with wall 15 & that it
collapsed (earthquake?) The pott-
ery showing up south of it may be
earlier & would have been under
the floor. Pail 68 A is new on
interface which contains some of
The floor is soft & some old pottery below. Another wall appeared next to the East house. Its purpose is not yet clear. At this point there is a possibility of a pottery deposit. Below the rubble removed and therefore on top of the surface itself. The area was not used for a certain period of time. The new wall is numbered #19. In the meantime, Kandis is emptying pit #1 - the contents will be saved for D. Reese to study.

Row 10 frame 4 bottom: 98A
Wall 18 wall 15: stone plab, contemporary pottery - earlier... p.208

We start a new profile which will contain material earlier than wall 15.

Pail 69A level 6.74', X3 p.20.
Depth: 5.63 - 5.34'; 5.34 - 5.63';
Location: under wall 69A
Soil: brown, little harder, less rubble
Pottery: latest LM IA, mostly LM II-A
* More cooking pottery & storage vessels
* Other shell, charcoal, bronze hook

Inventory: C 9381e, C 9387
Joins #68A, 70A

The short stretch of wall in the NE corner of T 64B was called #20. As we excavate pail 68A, we find some kind of a surface in the area South of wall 17. This is a test pit, but it is still very interesting.
merry. It was suggested before we met the east end of a wall 19 was robbed out - maybe this would explain the disharmony in the area. Here a wall 19 can be seen, but its foundations cannot yet be seen. It was also suggested this morning that space it was an outside area (Jews). 

pm - we finished pail 68A and clearing the walls so that slowly may progress. The plan: 

**Summary:** 

Walls 14 & 15 and W-pale 68 A latest pottery a which should give the date of a wall, nearest may belong to surface under floor. Walls 14 & 15 seem contemporaneous - wall 19 seems to consist of only two course of pottery a may belong to the脉 packs now reported w-pale 68A. It runs on a N-S axis and walls 14 is built on top of it (E-W). Wall 14 is not as well constructed as 15 & 17. Walls 14 & 17 seem to have been robbed to the east of a very large amount of rubble was found in this area. Wall 16 is still a mystery.

Archae is now emptying the ploets he has reached a depth of 0.5m and there is still much earth to be removed.

to Pitsidia - ploets #1 - 3 bags of "bottom soil" noise sieved by D. Reese
Kamaros - ploets #1 - 3 bags of "top soil" to be sieved on site.
level: 7.91
am-10b begin the sounding in X2, in the NW corner of the room. 1st sieving

Pail 79 level 9. X2. Sounding point.

depth: 5.00 m.

location: under pail 77.

soil: quite hard, brown, no stones.

pottery: Latest LMI B. Mixed MA to LMI.

Other: bone shell, bone from sieving.

intention: C9377 LMI B material.

we are running spirals/joins in 77 (C9377), we soon find the same surface.

found in 78 - cobble + beach pebbles, but we were unable to find any kind of intermediate surface between the bottom of pail 77 + bottom of pail 74. I believe that pail 74 represents the floor associated with wall 11 (East wall).

Pail 70A Level 7.74B, x3(2) p. 516

depth: 5.715 - 5.675 m (p. 516).

location: under p9a.

soil: much rubble, brown hard to excavate (largely Micaceous, but a scatter of Archaic sherds). LMI - IIIA2.

charge: Much cooling vessels.

Other: bone shell + special pottery / stone tool(?).

intention: joins in C9386 & C9387.

The sounding was completed - p9a.

Results: p. 414. - a photographed pail 70A was placed in 74B.

* Pail 10 frame II.

From South - sounding NW corner of X2, bottom pail 79.

* The sounding was re-filled, and the pit now refilled w sand.
Wall 19 good down further.

Much rubble is being removed prob from the collapse of this wall. Chronologically, it is clearer than 14.15.17, and we prob a wall of 13. I also suspect that wall 1 excavated as part of 57 A is the southwestern q wall that we're excavating right now. We have not reached a surface up this pile - The level we have reached has much rubble pre-trimming. A small ledge of c 20.25m was left south a wall 17 in order to protect us from collapsing (since it ends higher up). Most of the shells from this pile come from the South East of wall 17.

PM - Pail 7.70A was finished & 7.71A begin at the south end of the house.

Pail 7.1A level 4 x 3. 746. 116
Depth: 5.53 & 5.30 M 5.40 & 5.33
Location: under pail 70A

Soil: rubble, brown soil quite hard

Pottery: Very mixed unit MM II to
Thc. farbstone MM II backs, plain
wares, LG rims etc.

Other: bone, charcoal #1 *2#3, shell
stamens, status

Incorporated: C 9393, C 9394, C 9395,
C 9396. joins w/ 7IA, 73A

The trench is now extended up to
the south wall (wall 1) 159A)
since we have reached the bottom q
the pond here. We might have a blocked
doorway q or 0.30m, right against
wall 18. We do not know yet how
far down wall 31 goes.