levels at base of
Pail 9.82 + 82a
Possible surface

Pail 9.82: 2,315 kg; 265 sf
MM II B joins with pail 82a; large
burnished lamp; preserving worn +
fragmented

Pail 9.82: Under Pail 9.82
From (see p. 180) to 4.63 m
Brown earth + stone chips
Shards: 6, 235 kg; 382 sf, MM II B
Quite fresh to heat. worn. Few joins, lot
of MM II cups + huge bowls + basins
Other: stone tool + shell
Inv. C10129: stone tool
C10231: up. cc.
Excavation continues with pail 9:83. The machine is set at level +7.82m.

Shine chips continue to turn up and the space between the walls and the scarp is now so narrow that this may be the last pail we use.

Miscalculation: walls 24 and 25 prove to continue further down. The line of shine alongside wall 24 were shown to be superficial and will now be removed. In other words, we shall pursue excavation a bit further. The stone are over the layer of shine chips of pail 83, which we shall arbitrarily remove. We shall remove the shine with

93E Pail 9:84 under pail 81

N.021 Removal of line of shine alongside wall 24 from ca +4.92m to +4.63m
- Sherd: 1, 935 kg. 95 sh. MM III
- Mostly MM II - not too fragmented, but worn
- Other:
- Inv.

Once this job is done we continue digging in the entire space which is now larger

93E Pail 9:85 under pails 83 + 84

N.023 From +4.63 to +4.54 m
- Brown earth and shine chips
- Sherd: 5, 710 kg. 302 sh. MM II A
- Almost all MM II B
- Other: bone; shell; charcoal
- Inv. C10204 incised cup MM III B
- C10205 fine bowl - MM II B
- Once again we stop at an arbitrary level. Pail 85 is full of sherd, we shall photograph the trench.
TRENCH 93E

After pails 84-85
photo from s.m.

a: west scarp
b: wall 23
c: wall 26
d: wall 25
e: wall 24

93E Pail 9: 86 under Pail 81

Removal of line of stone along wall 23

Brown earth + stone chips
Sherds: 4, 055 kg.; 118 sq.;
MMII (+ MHIA)

Removal of the wall reveals the character of wall 23 behind it. This has a well built corner, made up of small rectangular blocks, but the face hidden behind the removed line of stone is just made up of a stone chip packing. Perhaps wall 26 was a bench.

We now continue excavation under the level reached, which may be a rough surface (at +4.64/4.63 m.). Walls 25, 24 and 22 seem to continue down. The next pail does not include the small area between walls 22, 23 and the west scarp. Here the packing found under the "bench"/wall 26 continues down.

93E Pail 9: 87 under pails 85-86

Brown earth + sand + stone chips
Sherds: 5, 140 kg.; 293 sq.; LMTA?
Mostly MMII - Heavily worn; not bone
Ocher: bone
Fragr.?
A new workman now starts a new project. We have decided to remove two poorly preserved chunks of walls that meet (but not quite at right angle) within the NW corner of Room X3. Excavation in this room was carried out by Josée Sabourin in Trench T4B (see plan, p. 152). Her labels of walls will be maintained here. We start by removing wall 17.

93E/Pail 3: 88 - Room X3
\[X3\] From ca. +6.63 to +5.93 m [Removal of wall 17]
Brown earth.
Sherds: 0.365 kg.; 21 sh. CMT + MNU
Other
Inu.

Once the wall has been removed we reach a flatish surface over which it was built at +5.93 m.
Excavation now begins.

93E/Pail 4: 89 - under Pail 3: 88
\[X3\] From +5.93 to +5.75 m.
Brown earth & fallen stones.
Sherds: 0.385 kg.; 42 sh. LMT A2
broken up but not too worn
Other: bag of bivalve shells
Inu.: 5 2281. pierced pebble.
See continuity of pail on p. 156

The area excavated is rather small 1.30 m W - E x 0.80 - N - S. Many bivalve shells are found. Wall 15, the other late wall, is not yet removed.

In the area of pail 87, we find that there are still stone chips despite our first impression that they had finished.
we find the base of wall 24, but no floor. We stop excavation at this point. It will now get cleaned to ready it for photography.

Wall 24 stands 0.80m high (5 course of very roughly dressed, brick stones.)

we did pal 87 when the stone chips essentially finish. We have, in the meantime, limited excavation to the southmost area of the trench along wall 24 which still goes down.

We arbitrarily terminate pal 87 and dig a strip alongside wall 24.

qt 5 | pal 9:90 under pal 9:87
N.983 | from +4.45 m to +4.18 m.
Brown earth, some sand
Sherds: 0, 225 kg. 24 sh. LMIIA
Otherwise pure MMII B? - not too worn
Other Inv

above photos show the west area of the sounding IV. of House X at the end of excavation - from North

Central upper wall is the N. facade of House X
The machine is set at level +7.635 m. Pail 89 in X3 is terminated. The level (at +3.75 m) is below the base of the next wall to be removed (Wall 15, see plan, p. 152) and below some foundation stones that stick out from underneath. Wall 15 will be photographed when it is exposed and it will be demolished. It has no west face, nor it was built again from standing. Wall 15 is X2. It is 0.67 m. (max) and preserves 3½ courses.

For its demolition we use

- Pail 3:91 Room X3 (removed with well 15)

  Sherd: 3, 165 kg, 72 sh.
  L. III. A1 (chart d, p. 160)
  +5.93 m

A series of photos are also taken in the area north of X3, where excavation finished yesterday (see p. 152).

After removal of Wall 15 we excavate the fill under it and down to the level reached with pail 89.

- Pail 4:92 under pail 91
  Fm. +5.93 m to +3.75 m.
  Brown earth, stone
  Sherd: 0.165 kg, 53 sh. LM III A1, jcnw pail 91, 193 esp. large cook jst pot + dish
  Other
  In v. C10220, C10221, C10224: see pail 91.
  C10229 stomp jar - join pail 93.

Once we reach the level reached with pail 89 we terminate pail 92. The area available for excavation now is a reversed L, ie the level under the two removed walls.
Pail 4:93

Join w. pails 91,92 (CP C10220 + C.dish C10221 + stirrup jar C10224). Also with pails 68, 71, 7, 76 outside house X1: flask C10185 w. pail 91,92; jug 10224.
Inv. C10185 flask LMMIII
C10220+10221 (see pails 91,92); C10224: jug (see pails 91,92); C10230: patterned handle.

For above photos see also p. 1564 p. 158 above

Pail 1-2:94 under earlier benches
From + 6.08 m to (see p. 170)
Sherds: 3,5 lg. 126st. LMIA(1)
Large, often joining frags.

Other:
Inv.

The strip is 2.30m W-E & 1.10m N-S.

Pail 93 closes at a level that has two cobbles and the sherds noted earlier. We shall continue with

Pail 4:95 under pail 93

From + 5.56 m to +5.40/5.37 m
Brown earth
Sherds: 1,695 kg. 155 sh. LMMIII
Join w. pail 100? Imports: Cypriote closed
Other: shells, bones, stone tool.
Inv.

Shells and two jug necks are found in pail 93. Also bones & shells.

We start a new investigation: a strip directly north of the east end of X1 and of the west part of X2. The purpose is to find if there is an earlier facade wall which is more in line with the north wall of X3 than the walls of the western rooms. A pail is assigned for the top layer which has sand accumulation on it.

N 93AX

Fr. 34

Looking south

Fr. 35

Looking east

For above photos see also p. 1564 p. 158 above

Pail 4:93 (cont'd from p. 163)

For above photos see also p. 1564 p. 158 above
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Excavation continues in X3 with pail 95. The machine is set at level +.7, 7.55m.

Some slabs and a large block have appeared. We arbitrarily stop excavation and continue with a new pail.

93E/Pail 4:96 under pail 95
X3

From 5.40 / 5.37m to (see p. 164)

Breward eared
Sherds: 0.855 kg. 71 sh. LMII; join in pail 98. Some pieces fresh, some worn + LMII

Ocher:
Inv: C10151: loomweight

Pail 94 now of X1 + X2 is put aside for a while as the situation is rather confusing. After removal of top soil we have come into a layer of solid material from stones; some are flat; some very rough. There are also some cobbles lying fairly flat, giving the impression of a kallotros.

Plaster in stacks are being found (since yesterday) in Trench 95, in the court of Building T, north of the South Sea. With my workman Euripides, who is the best for the removal of plasters, I go back to help out.

We follow a plaster spill as it descends several centimeters down and ends at a level comparable to that of the court surface. This spill is better presented next to the two eastmost columns. The spill will be photographed by J. W. Shaw and drawn by G. Bianco. Later my workman and I will remove the better preserved fragments with gauze and paraloid to see what...
type of plaster are represented. Some have hues of light blue pigment.

We return to Trench 93E.

In Trench 3 we decide to do a bit more cleaning of the area of the room excavated in the past in Trench 74B. The sherds from this cleaning will be collected in

93E Pail 1-4: 97 (Under Trench 74B)
93X3 Sherds: 60 gr. 16 sh. LM II (now sherd) otherwise LM IA + LM IB. Too small a unit to date.

Pail 96 is terminated. The stones which sit on earth will have been removed and any sherds under them will be collected under pail 96 still. These are the three stones in the NW corner and a fourth one just SE of them. The slabs at the NE area are flat and flush with the surface we have arrived at. (ca. 5.31/5.27).

We start taking the level down. Under the removed slabs we see what looks like a notte hearth with 3 upright slabs.

93E Pail 4: 98 Under pail 96
93X3 Firn (see p. 164) to (see p. 168)

Brawn earth, charcoal
Sherds: 0, 420 gr. 68 sh. Join w. pail 96.
One LM IA? LM II + LM III? Is this Cypriot? Yes also 200g
Other: bones, shells, burnt fill sample.

We collect burnt fill from slabs turning up. There are also bones and occasional shell. However, the "hearth" turns out to be devoid of any charcoal or of burning. It
will now be photographed or drawn. Perhaps it was an enclosure on which to set a large pot or a basket. It has a flat stone along the north side (marked A in the picture) and a circle of small stones we decide to remove the stones lying flat east of the enclosure (stone, marked E in the photo, see p. 168) and to our surprise we find that they are badly burnt and that there is burning and charcoal underneath them. Perhaps this was the location of the hearth, large flat shape it had is not clear. A drawing is made (p. 168).

A small unexcavated area in the NE corner of the room is now included in this trench.

In the exploration north of X1 we reach a rather confusing level full of rubble and a fragment of a possible wall at the SE area (see photo, p. 170). As the purpose was to check whether the real facade was north of X1, rather than to make a deep sounding, we decide to stop excavation at this point. It looks, now as if the original north facade of House X in this area was indeed the north wall of Room X1 (see photos, p. 170).

NB stone A above turned out to be an upside down mortar with two cobbles, one definitely a tool with grit
The machine is set at level + 7.68 m. Work continues in X 3 after the level of a pair + 7.84 cleaned.

93E Pail 5:99 under Pail 4:98

X 3 Brown earth, lepis, burning

From (see plan, p. 168) to + 5.22 - 5.19

Shells: 1.4 kg. 172 sh. LM III A P. saucer up c.

Oxen: bones; ? stone tool 7 from w. pair 10 - 14 p.

In v. Mortar: 52282 + grinding stone 52283

(a set found in NW corner).

Where the burning was under the flat slabs (p. 168, e-e) there is red earth and crushed stones. Pail 99 reveals the real floor surface which slopes from N-S and from W-E. There are some flat sherds, which lie on the floor and removal of the flat stone at (p. 168) shows it to be an interesting tool. It has a round small depression. Near it in the NW corner were also found two cobbles—one definitely a lovely hand tool. The floor seems to be of lepis.

We terminate pail 99 after collecting a sample for the fireplace area.

We continue with:

Pail 5:100 under pail 5:99

From (N 5:22 - 5.5:19) to N 5:15 - 5.125 m.

Brown earth, lepis

Shells: 1,816 kg. 252 sh. LM II (molty, LM IB)

Join with pail 99 LM IB — molty poor condition

Oxen: shells; cooking pot for meat; bit or substance

In v. C 10247 + C 10248 UP C. cups etc.

C 10251 UP fine bone

We reach the bottom of the hearth area and find fragments of a cookery...
just which is collected as part of this pail (100). There are a few Red
shards. The level slopes gently for N-S
from 5.15 to 5.12 m. In the SW corner
of the room we are at the level where a patch of
course plaster was fired in previous years of
excavation. At the NW corner there are
some stones sticking up. We shall take the
level down once again, but since we are very
close to the level reached in earlier excava-
tion we leave a narrow strip between that area
and our next pail undug.

93E/Pail 5:101 Under Pail 5:100
[X3] Burnt earthenware
From 5.15 to 5.12 N-S to 5.09 5.06 m.
Shards: 1,353 kg. 206 sh. LM II Almo-
ter entirely LM IA(2) - LM IB.
Others: burnt fill sample for 34th; frag of ? chert.
Inv -

To the periphery we assign:

93E/Pail 5:101a Under Pail 5:100
[X3] From +5.12 to +5.06 m.
Burnt ear
Shards: 0,490 kg. 68 sh. LM II Good condi-
tion. Includes intact LM IB C. cup.
Inv -
C10256 UP C. cup, type C
LM IB

With the two pails we reach the base
of the N + W walls. We realize
that the east wall ended up light
This wall was added against the ware
face of the original east wall of
X3. We shall stop excavation at
this point and levels will be taken.
No more of the plaster was found.
It seems to be a heap of course plaster
ending on top of the level reached.
The machine has been reset, because it was borrowed elsewhere at the site. The new level is +7.57m.

We clean Room X3 and prepare it for photography.

We now start a new project: a sounding in Room X6 to the south. A pail is assigned to surface cleaning. The room was cleaned to level +4.88m in Trucks 59A, 66A and 73 B. A pail is used for surface cleaning since 93E/Pail 1-9:102 (X6) collected:

- Top accumulation from +4.98, 60, +4.88 m
- Sherd: 1,080 kg, 87 sh/j, LM II
  Mostly fairly good condition
- Other -

After a pass we shall regular regular excavation with:

- See comment p. 174

93E/Pail 10:103 (X6) Under pail 103:

- From ca 4.88m to (see p. 176)
  Brown earth + some chips
- Sherd: 4. 675 kg, 333 sh/j, LM IIIA1
  (see also p. 174) LM - LM IIIA1 mixed
- Other: hand tool 7 bones
- Inv. B 395 brush ship (see p. 174) 522.85; 5.2289

It is to be noted that Wall 20, the east wall of X3 was built against the original wall that divided Room X3 from Room X10. The twin walls seem to be the same width, 0.70m each. Wall 21 also underwent changes. It looks as if it was rebuilt, somewhat slimmer (by 10cm) in its upper courses. The difference can be seen in the plan (p. 172) where a ledge was created. Perhaps this was done when Wall 20 was built. Eventually the entrance into X3 at its SW corner was blocked.
The machine is set at + 4.52 m

It is decided that we shall remove most of the blockings of doorways in House X to allow circulation among the rooms of the house as it was in its prime static state. We start by removing the south doorway blocking in X6.

Pail 3: 4:10 4

Removal of blocking of south doorway X6
From +5.34 m to +4.73/4.70 m
Brown earth, blocks
Sherds: 0.5 kg, 47 sh. LM III A1. Sherds belonging to a few vessels only
Other: charcoal

We find a mass of charcoal between the blocking and the east jamb. It does not look like wood beam in situ because the charcoal is broken up in pieces. We reach the threshold, once a single block but now craked. Its level is at +4.73 and at the sagging part in the centre +4.70 m. We terminate this pail.

Work continues in the sounding in the room with pail 103. Naturally the installation of the large standing slab used in association with a doorway in the SW corner of X3 will not be touched.

As we dig close to the north wall we realize that the lower courses were not exposed in earlier excavation. The reason is probably because the wall leans out at the top and the fill against it was cut away left the intentionally to keep the wall from falling. Since we have a mass for season consolidating the wall we decide to remove the fill. For it
Pail 3-4: 105

sherd: 0.725 kg; 56 sh. LMIIA1
Not too broken up; decor. Sar W. visible joins (LH? LHI?)

Another workman in set to remove the blocking of the NW doorway in X6

Pail 3-4: 106

Removal of blocking of NW door X6
Sherd: 0.155 kg; 26 sh. LMIIA or LMII
Quite worn & broken up
Also earlier MM - LM IB

The general pail 103 has been terminated.
A saddle quern has been found directly east of the threshold of the original doorway.
It goes into X3. The doorway was 1.05m wide. Later it was narrowed by covering
it east end with a new wall that acted as the new east jamb. The
new doorway was only ca. 0.50m wide.
This may eventually be removed. The
level reached with pail 103 slops down
from +4.82m at the north end to +4.78m.
The saddle quern is removed with
pail 103 & it's from the lowest level.
It really may belong to the bottom of
pail 97, as part of the floor of X3.

There is an ambiguity as to whether
Pail 103 is one or two blockings in the NW
doorway. There seem to be a new 5 cm
that narrowed down the original doorway
from ca. 0.92m to 0.75m. A block 6cm
X 6cm.