After the edge of the plaster floor is exposed we open a new pail to clear overtop of the area where to MM (? ) Wall (Wall 2) is expected to run.

**PAIL 89A/7.29**

- Under Pail: 89A/7.26
- Leads: see plan p. 50
- Location Label: SE
- Fill: Brown earth with grey clay, less compact than previous pail
- Pottery: 0.350 kg (32 sherds) Latest Date: LMII → LMIII A
- Range: LMII → "joins" to Pail 29A, 26
- Medium-heavy wear

**Inventarioed Objects:**

- Also: plaster, shells

As we came down on the top of Wall 2 the earth is very brown, with the grey having disappeared completely. We begin to find small plaster inclusions. In case this change is significant we open a sub-pail to continue cleaning over the wall.

**PAIL 89A/7.29**

- Under Pail: 89A/7.26
- Levels c.1 cm lower than 89A/7.29
- Location Label: SE
- Fill: Soft brown earth with plaster inclusions.
- Pottery: 0.190 kg (38 sherds) Latest Date: LMIII A
- Range: MMIII / LMIA → "joins" with Pails 29, 76
- LMIII A, > Fine UP by x iii (m)
- Too small for meaningful comment

**Inventarioed Objects:**

- Also: plaster

We soon come down on a great increase in plaster inclusions in the fill over Wall 2. At this point we decide to change pails.
Trench 89A

Scale 1:100

Exposed Walls
Exposed Robe
Plaster Floors

Elements in m ASL

PAIL: 89A/7:31; Under Pail: 89A/7:31
Levels: see plan p. 52; Location Label: SE
Fill: soft brown earth with large number of plaster inclusions.
Pottery: 0.175 kg (36 sherds); Latest Date: LM III A
Range: MM II → "joins" with Pail 26, 29, 29A, 35
also joins to Pail 32
Inventarioed Objects: C9505 - LM III A, fine decorated
              terrace (joints in Pail 32)
              Also: bronze, plaster

89A/7:31
and
89A/7:32

2 July, 1993 (continued)
Excavation of Pail 89A/7:30 continues. We intend to clear the surface of excavation down to the top of the MM wall, and then move eastward to excavate in the SE corner, although we will still leave a small corner untouched in which is located the stone with burnt clay and circular depression. As we clean we again note the very large number of plaster inclusions in the fill.

When we reach the top of the wall, the pail is closed and a new pail is opened to remove the circular feature of stone immediately east of the large stone atop the MM wall.

**Pail: 89A/7:31**
- **Under Pail:** 89A/7:26
- **Levels:** see plan p.54; Location: Label: SE; Fill: Brown earth with much plaster and stones
- **Pottery:** 0.100 kg (16 sherd s); Latest Date: LM IIIA2/B
- **Range:** MM II
  - 1 med course UP b/c with secondary burning
  - Looks like P, destruction debris, but not SNA

**Inventoried Objects:** B367 - Bronze strips

Also: red substance, plaster, shells

The stones of this pail appear to be later than, or at least contemporary with, the large stone because one of the feature’s stones is resting against the east edge of the large stone. We find small amounts of the unidentified red substance in the fill. A sample is bagged.

We find that beneath the circle of stones are four stones in line which form the west face of another wall atop the MM wall (Wall 2). This appears to use the east face of Wall 2 as its own east face, giving it a thickness of 0.41 m. It appears to be on a line with the end of the LM wall (Wall 3) beneath P, and possibly in line with the jog of Building T to the north. J.D. Shaw and M.C. Shaw both independently suggest that this may originally have been the base of the east facade wall of Building T.
5 July (1993) (continued)

A new pail is opened to excavate the remaining area of the trench.

**PAIL: 89A/7:32; Under Pail: 89A/7:27**

Levels: see plan p. 56; Location Label: SE; Fill: grey clay with brown earth, charcoal and plaster inclusions.

Pottery: 0.100 kg (13 sherds); Latest Date: LM III A.

Range: MM II →

Too small for meaningful comment.

"join" with Pails 36, 37

Inventoried Objects: C9505 - LM III A, Fine grey burn-off at 89A/7:30

Also: shells

With this pail we reach the top of a red surface with burning, which appears to be our previously discovered unidentified red substance. We bring the surface of excavation down to this level and change pails.

**PAIL: 89A/7:33; Under Pail: 89A/7:32**

Levels: see plan p. 56; Location Label: SE; Fill: grey clay, much unidentified red substance in the fill. There are some plaster inclusions.

Pottery: 0.140 kg (25 sherds); Latest Date of Pottery: MM II.

Possibly pure iron date; "join" with Pail 32;

Nothing need predate MM II

Inventoried Objects:

Also: bone, bronze

The red substance is found to form a very thick layer, c. 2–5 cm thick. it overtops brown earth. The fill in this pail is collected and sieved. The pail is closed just above the plaster (if it is there), since the red material flakes off there
A new Pail is opened to clean to the west of the face of the new wall (Well 5) overtop Wall 2. Its line with some of the stones of Wall 3 almost definitively prove a break in Wall 3, which is now subdivided for identification purposes into Wall 3 to the west, Wall 4 to the east.

**PAIL: 89A/7:34; Under Pail: 89A/7:31**

- Levels: see plan p. 56; Location Label: SE
- Fill: brown earth, with plaster inclusions
- Pottery: 0.075 kg (7 sherds); Minoan (nothing is securely datable)
  - Too small for meaningful comment

**Inventoried Objects:**

- Also: stone (Flint?)

This pail is opened to clean to the west of Wall 5 to see if Wall 2 continues at its original thickness beneath. When this is found to be the case and the top of Wall 2 has been cleaned, the pail is closed. This completes our cleaning of Walls 2 and 5.

A new pail is opened to continue cleaning the plaster floor.

**PAIL: 89A/7:35; Under Pail: 89A/7:33**

- Fills: brown earth with grey clay, many plaster inclusions
- Levels: see plan p. 56; Location Label: SE
- Pottery: 0.095 kg (14 sherds); Latest Date: LMII/III A
  - Range: MMIII/MMI
  - "Joins" with pails 26, 28, 29A, 30
  - 1 box has red deposit (hematite?)

**Inventoried Objects:** B366 - Bronze pieces including nail

- Also: shells
The plaster floor is found to disappear quite early as we proceed north to south in this pail; we decide therefore to bring the surface of excavation down to the level reached immediately to the west and then close the pail.

A new pail is opened to finish cleaning west of the large stone atop Wall 7 and along the partition wall and edge of the west plaster floor. With this excavation of Trench 89A comes to an end, although it may resume at a later date.

**PAIL: 89A/7:36; Under Pail: 89A/7:28**

Levels: see plan p. 58; Location: Label: SE; Fill: brown earth with plaster inclusions.

Pottery: 0.045 kg (2 sherds); Latest Date: Minoan

No closer date is possible although presumably LM III A.

Inventorised Objects: C9504 - white-slipped Egyptian amphora rim.

Also:

Photographs will be taken tomorrow morning. pp. 60, 62, 63, 64
Trench 89B

Trench 89B was laid out 5 July, 1993 by Gordon Nixon. Its western boundary was later extended by G. Bianco when the eastern boundary of Trench 65A2 was resurveyed. Trench 89B was laid out in line with the architectural features of Gallery P3, and its purpose was to explore LMTI and LMTI II remains below the floor of P3 reached in 1992. On the west, the trench bordered Trench 65A2, on the east, Trench 89A, and on the south its boundary was defined by the south wall of P3. The trench co-ordinates are:

- NW: 1003.05x, 1082.10y
- NE: 1012.63x, 1083.50y
- SE: 1013.36x, 1078.50y
- SW: 1003.19x, 1076.96y

Excavation of Trench 89B began on 5 July, 1993.
Exposed Walls  Scale: 1:50

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PAIL: 89B/1:37, Surface Fill
Levels: see plan p. 66; Location Label: Entire
Fill: sand-dried grey earth with sand
Pottery: 0.795 kg (39 sherds) Latest Pot: LM III A2/B
Range: LM III/LM I
- Mostly medium-coarse UP fragments
- 2 Canaanite amphora sherds; 1 Egyptian sherd
Inventoried Objects: C9508 - Canaanite amphora
  "southern" - 1 handle and eared shoulder frag.
Also: shells

5 July, 1993 (continued)
A new pail is opened to clean the surface accumulation from the surface of Trench 89B.
A 1m strip is left unexcavated along the east to prevent contamination of the excavation by the north-south wall of Building Z.
TRENCH 89B

Exposed Walls

Scale 1:50

PAIL 89B/5:38

Levels: see plan p. 68; Location Label: Entire
Fill: brown earth; small amounts of grey clay; plaster inclusions
Pottery: 1.255 kg (91 sherds); Latest Date: LM III B/B
Range: MM III/LM I ➔; mostly medium-coarse
UP (oatmeal & SWA) + CP
joints with Pail 39
Inventoried Objects:

Also: blue pigment, plaster, shells

We quickly reach a small patch of burning and some small stones lying flat in the SW corner of the trench. We will bring the surface of excavation down to this level, then clean out.

From the scarp it appears that the small patch of burning is part of one which curved up at the side of the gallery and was at a level with the surface of excavation at which Trench 82A stopped. However, the stones lying flat were found throughout the trench, which suggests the possibility of a surface.

PAIL 89B/5:39

Levels: see plan p. 70; Location Label: S, Fill: brown earth; small amounts of grey clay; plaster inclusions
Pottery: 0.200 kg (15 sherds); Latest Date: LM III A(?)
Range: LM I ➔
joins with Pail 38
also sherds from probable import
Inventoried Objects:

Also: shells
Trench 89B

Exposed Walls

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Pail 89B/5:39

Pail 89B/5:40

6 July, 1993 (continued)

This pail is used for only a 1-metre stretch along the south wall (Wall 6). Another pail is opened for the rest of the trench.

PAIL: 89B/5:40; Under Pail: 89B/5:38

Levels: see plan p. 70; Location label: N

Fill: brown earth; small amounts of grey clay, with plaster inclusions.

Pottery: 1,250 kg (78 sherds): Latest Date: LM III A2/B

Range: MM III/LM I → ; Most: Late

Many SNA, CP, Fine VP (CCs?)

Heavy degree of wear

Inventoried Objects:

Ako: shells
TRENCH 89B

Space ABEF forms boundary of Pail

89B/5:41

Space BCDE forms boundary of Pail

89B/5:42

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Wall 7

Scale 1:100

Exposed Walls  Δ Elevations in m ASL

(Trench has been expanded west)

7 July, 1993

Excavation of Pail 89B/5:40 continues. In this our first pass we come upon a marked increase in charcoal inclusions (although no patches of burning) along Wall G. We will lower the surface of excavation to this level, then measure elevations, and change pails.

PAIL 89B/5:41; Under Pail 89B/5:39
Levels: see plan p. 72; Location Label: S
Fill: brown earth with charcoal, plaster, and very small pebble inclusions, some sand
Pottery: 0.090 kg (22 sherds) Latest Date: LM III
Range: LMIII/LMI+; Mostly Late
Too small for meaningful comment
No SNA Fabric

Invented Objects:

Also: shells

This pail is used only for a 1-m stretch along Wall G. Another Pail is opened for the rest of the trench.

PAIL 89B/5:42; Under Pail 89B/5:40
Levels: see plan p.72; Location Label: N
Fill: brown earth with charcoal, plaster, and very small pebble inclusions, some sand
Pottery: 1.375 kg (118 sherds) Latest Date: LMIII Az/B
Range: LMIII/LMI+; Mostly Late
Many met. ca. SNA’s, & oatmeal
1 Lump “building material”

Invented Objects: 2237 - large stone, column base?

Also: blue pigment, shells, plaster, bone

The fill tends to flake off quite easily. We will lower the surface of excavation across the trench to this level. The new surface has larger pieces of charcoal sticking it. There is extensive burning.
TRENCH 89B

Locations of Pails

89B/5:43
to
89B/5:49

Within 30 cm of Wall 6, the surface does not flake away, but the fill is soft, suggesting a foundation trench. Other parts of the surface have small black pebbles. Just over a metre from Wall 6, the earth flakes away over a much harder surface whose definition is unclear.

Many stones are uncovered, including a large one 2 m from Wall 5, in line with the large stones and anchors of Trench 89A. These do not appear to be any more to the west.

Spots of blue pigment are found over the burning.

Scale 1:100

- Exposed Walls
- Elevations in m ASL
TRENCH 89B

Locations of Pails

89B/5.50 to 89B/5.55

Drawing:

Legend:
- N:
- Boring:
- Levels:
  - a: +3.29
  - b: +3.32
  - c: +3.31
  - d: +3.24
  - e: +3.27
  - f: +3.26
  - g: +3.29
  - h: +3.30

- Exposed Walls
- Elevations in m ASL

Excavation of Pail 89B/5.42 has finished. We measured elevations throughout the trench and change pails.

Pail 89B/5.43 is opened for a 1.2m strip along the south wall of P4 (Well 6) which will hopefully uncover more of a suspected LM I east-west wall.

PAIL 89B/5.43; Under Pail: 89B/5.41

Levels: see plan p. 74; Location Label: S; Fill: hard, compacted brown earth with charcoal inclusions. There is much blackened earth, stone chips, plaster inks.

Pottery: 0.110 kg (14 sherds), latest Date: LM III, A1?

Range: MM III/1M I(?) →; Mostly Late

Too small for meaningful comment
1 bsh. of S. Caracara jar

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster

The earth is much softer within 30cm of Wall 6, reinforcing the idea of a possible foundation trench. The softer earth is a lighter brown with fewer inclusions. Since this "foundation trench" is becoming very obvious, we stop ½ way across the trench, along Wall 6, and close the pail. Two new pails will be opened, one for immediately along the wall, the other for the rest of the 1.2m strip.

PAIL 89B/5.44; Under Pail: 89B/5.41

Levels: see plan p. 74; Location Label: S; Fill: soft, uncompactd brown earth, some stone chips

Pottery: 0.240 kg (14 sherds), latest Date: LM III?

Range: MM III/1M I(?) →; no period dominant

Too small for meaningful comment

Inventoried Objects:

Shell, shells