Authority Within the Anuna

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Exact-object controls

- CDLI P346173
- Publication: UET 6, 0088 + 0538
- Photo visibly carries UET 6/88
- Obverse, reverse and edge views of the joined witness
- 2886 × 8124 exact CDLI photograph
- British Museum · CC BY-NC-SA 4.0

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No sign reconstruction or pixel-level decipherment is claimed.

Core finding

Obverse line 4′ preserves an Anuna authority title outside restoration brackets. The title-holder is broken and the final plural sign is damaged, but the phrase supports differentiated rank inside the collective.

Evidence class

Exact selected-artifact photograph plus exact UET 6 line art. The whole-row locus is visible; sign values, grammar and translation remain edition-guided.

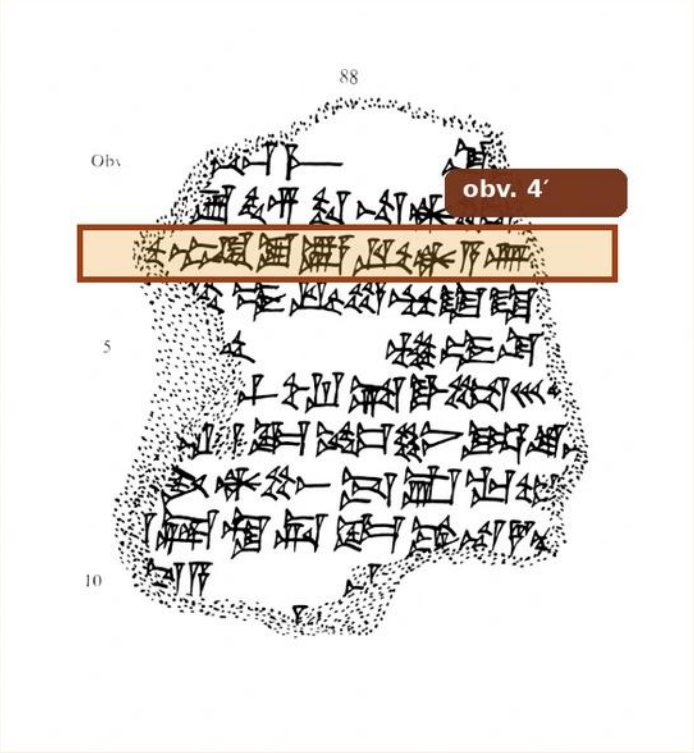
Theory limit

The source supports internal divine rank. It does not make the Anuna builders, healers, craft workers, extraterrestrials or technical operators.

Obverse line 4′

Where P346173 preserves the Anuna authority title

Exact UET 6 copy · obverse line 4′ · whole-row locus · edition-guided reading



Witness line

[...] x mah dab nir-gal2

{d}a-nun-na-ke4-ne#

CDLI translation

“..., supreme and surpassing(?), authoritative one of the Anuna.”

Cautious working translation

“... exalted, pre-eminent—an authoritative figure among the Anuna.”

Evidence status

The Anuna phrase is un-restored; the final plural sign is damaged. The broken opening hides the title-holder.

The amber band marks a complete row directly above the exact copy's printed line-5 control. It does not claim independent sign recognition. Sign values, grammar and translation remain controlled by CDLI's edition.

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Artifact-specific CDLI text

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Published and cautious translations

CDLI: “..., supreme and surpassing(?), authoritative one of the Anuna.”

Working: “... exalted, pre-eminent—an authoritative figure among the Anuna.”

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Image-to-text evidence audit

Object identity

P346173 and UET 6, 0088 + 0538 agree; the photograph visibly reads UET 6/88.

Limit: No separate museum number is supplied by the current record.

Exact visual

2886×8124 photograph shows the joined witness, scale and publication labels.

Limit: Identity and preservation—not fresh sign reading.

Exact copy

The UET 6 drawing maps no. 88 and the 538 pieces and prints line controls.

Limit: Edited line art remains distinct from the photograph.

Restoration

The title core and Anuna phrase are outside restoration brackets.

Limit: The title-holder is broken; the final plural sign is damaged.

Text class

exact_line_art_or_squeeze_visible whole-row survival.

Limit: Sign values, morphology and translation are edition-controlled.

Agency

An unnamed figure has authority in relation to the Anuna.

Limit: No finite Anuna collective action survives in the selected clause.

Fatal-gate result

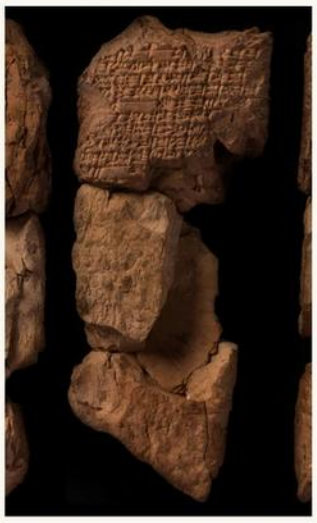
Exact-object provenance, row alignment, restoration status, visible/damaged classification and title/agent limitation all pass.

Title is not collective agency

TITLE / AGENT FIREWALL

A title within a divine collective does not transfer nearby verbs to that collective.

Exact photograph · obverse witness



Identity and preservation, not fresh sign collation

Role-controlled evidence

obv. 4′	An unnamed figure is described as exalted and authoritative among the Anuna.
obv. 5′	Giving abundance to rulers belongs to a separate broken clause with an unresolved subject.
rev. 7′, 14′	Kingship-city fashioning and reviving a dead man occur in other damaged clauses.
rev. 16′	Abzu, work and craft/creation vocabulary survives, but its subject is broken.
Limit	No preserved grammar makes the Anuna collective the builder, craft worker, healer or kingmaker.

Text control: current CDLI P346173 artifact edition and exact UET 6 line drawing.

Result: differentiated divine rank; no extraterrestrial, machine, mining or genetic-engineering claim.

The controlled sequence

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rev. 16′	Abzu, work and craft or creation vocabulary survives, but its subject is broken.
Limit	No surviving syntax transfers those actions to the Anuna collective.

What is excluded

The fragment does not identify the title-holder, preserve an Anuna collective verb, or assign the group abundance, kingship, revival, Abzu work, craft, mining or machine operation.

Positive result

A real Old Babylonian Ur witness preserves differentiated authority language in relation to the Anuna.

What P346173 changes in the corpus

TEXT-SUPPORTED

The physical witness preserves the Sumerian divine-group name without restoration inside an authority title.

CORPUS RELEVANCE

The source strengthens the organized, internally differentiated divine-collective strand.

CONTRADICTION CONTROL

Nearby practical vocabulary is not evidence of Anuna agency unless the same preserved grammar makes the group the operative subject.

UNSUPPORTED

Extraterrestrial identity, Nibiru, spacecraft, genetics, mining, laboratories, advanced machinery and recoverable technology do not occur here.

Daily decoding improvement

Title/Agent Firewall

Record the title-holder, group relation, finite verb, restoration status, clause boundary and exact visual locus before assigning any nearby action to a divine collective. Remove adjacent but grammatically unattached motifs before forming the corpus proposition.

Sources, controls and reproducibility

CDLI P346173

https://cdli.earth/artifacts/346173

Current object metadata, exact-witness transliteration and artifact-specific translation.

Exact photograph

https://cdli.earth/dl/photo/P346173.jpg

2886×8124 exact object; SHA-256 c0939cefb086ae31e54609cc0f2ac84efb4b12b8f0b064dbe46397c0ee83a916.

Exact UET 6 line art

https://cdli.earth/dl/lineart/P346173_l.jpg

1185×1627 exact copy; SHA-256 9c6d190e90d9cbb5d170f67a0c4b42932b151a0f0a580867a0b81c165089cc47.

Method controls

- Fresh current CDLI checks were archived before report generation.
- Photograph, P-number and UET publication identifiers agree.
- The exact line art supplies the row map; the photo supplies identity and preservation.
- No composite, parallel witness, synthetic tablet or reconstructed wedge supplies the Anuna phrase.
- Local and public PDF hashes must agree before central records are updated.