

Jebel Khalid

Field Record Book

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Trenches B38. B39(5) B38-39 Banks (Sth + Nth)
B38-33 Bank.
Dates 24/4/2006

ADVICE to TRENCH SUPERVISORS

1. Take a **new page** for each day. (Each day may take several pages).
2. Draw a **scale plan** of the trench **each day** on the graph paper (essential), with North at the top (if this is not convenient, mark North direction clearly).
Mark depth from surface at the beginning of each day, at designated points.
When starting a square, this plan may be nearly empty but draw it all the same and mark in emerging tumble.
3. Draw arrows on your plan to indicate **direction** in which you are excavating.
4. Every time you designate a new context, (on the occasion of a new spit, a new feature, a new soil colour) fill in the **Context Record Sheet** for that trench, as well as describing it in your report. Store the accumulated context record sheets in the plastic sleeve in your record book.
5. **Structures** . Measure carefully any structure (wall, doorway, threshold, ovens, pit, any large dressed stones or columns) and record exact location, height, width in your report as well as on the scale plan.
6. **Floors** - marked by very hard tough surface or layer of white crushed limestone. May be softer adjacent to wall. Record thickness of floor, if we decide to dig through it.
If your floor is particularly good, collect a few bags of surface material - there may be seeds.
7. **Objects**. e.g. glass, figurine or lamp fragments, metal, stucco, loomweights, spindle whorls, beads, graffito-ed sherds, coins, gold jewellery (some hope). Mark in the location and depth of any objects clearly and accurately. If necessary, draw another sketch plan as the day progresses. A quick sketch of the object in the report would be helpful, if it is too mysterious to name e.g. Mattie's metal blobs.
8. **Pottery**: label bags clearly in waterproof pen, with one label inside the bag and one outside. **Record daily the number of bags per context** . Be very careful to separate pottery from different contexts.
It is absolutely essential to double-bag the pottery. A broken bag of pottery without context is useless.
9. **Bone**: Collect all bone and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
10. **Charcoal**: Collect all charcoal and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.
11. **Tile**: it is important to record the location and amount of tile.
12. **Very important**: at the completion of a trench, draw to scale:
 - i Draw a section of the exposed baulk, with details of stratigraphy clearly marked.
 - ii Draw a top plan of the completed trench, with contexts clearly marked.
 - iii Write a short summary with your interpretation of the trench.

List of equipment for Trench Supervisors

Dig bag
Water
Clip board and spare clips for windy days
Pens (water proof only - black or blue), pencils, ruler, eraser
Measuring tape
Plumb bob
String
Spirit level (may be shared)
Supply of labels
Supply of different-sized plastic bags
Toilet paper (for wrapping delicate objects as well as for personal use!)
Small cartons/boxes for objects. When available
Band-aids and aspirin for the vapours (yours or the workers')

Useful words

All kull
All of you kullkum
All even (same) kull sawa-sawa
Bedrock jebel
Big kabeer
Black aswad
Bone az'm
Boy walad
Brush forshay
Charcoal fah'm
Cleaning tanzeef
Dead mowt
Eating! mangariyya
Floor ardh
From min
Girl bin't

Glass zujaaj
Half nuss
Here hona
I ana
Iron hadeed
Little, small sagheer
Man rajul
Maybe, perhaps mumkin
Must laazim
Must not! mu laazim
My (my son) -ee e.g. walad-ee
Pick kazma
Pottery fachaar
Photo (picture) soora
Red ahmar
Rock hajir
Room gurfa
Sick mareedth
Soil trab
Slowly shway, shway
Supervisor mudeer
There is.. there is not fi...maa fi
This hadtha
To, for ila, li
Today al yowm
Tomorrow bukra
Trowel mustareen
Wall jidaar
Water mayy
Wheelbarrow darraaja
White abyad
Yesterday imbaarih
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Trench... B38 Initials... J.T. Date... 24/4/06 Page... 1
Locus... 1 Spit... 1 Locus... 2 Spit... 1 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit	No.	Object	Loc/Spit
Pottery	3	1+2/1	1/2 2/2	1/1.1	Iron Fragments x 3	1/1.
Bone	3.	1+2/1	2/2 1/2			
Charcoal						
Plaster						
Tile						

Photographs:

4m E-W 3.5m N-S.

Context	Report
L1+2.	Trench dimensions 4.0m E-W; 3.5m N-S.
L1.	South of "altar line";
L2.	N+L of "altar line";
	(see fig 1 overleaf).
	Loc: 1+2 established either side of the East-West altar line (north side of main temple structure).
	Top "spoil" removed as loci 1/1 + 2/1. - pottery & bone bagged as one.
L2/2	L2/2 established - going by the section on the northern border of the trench, I expect that we'll encounter "rocky" fill from here down to bed-rock.

Trench..... Initials..... Date..... Page.....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	2	1.2	2.2
Bone	1		
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile	Sample	- kept	as is

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2.2.1	Doric Capital Frag.	2/2.
1.2.1	Iron Fragment	1/2.
2.2.2	Coin <i>unid. Sel.</i>	2/2
1.2.2	Stamped handle	1/2.
2.2.3	"Foot" nail	2/2

Photographs: - w. M. and 4 comp. 1st 4
volume then record, photographically.

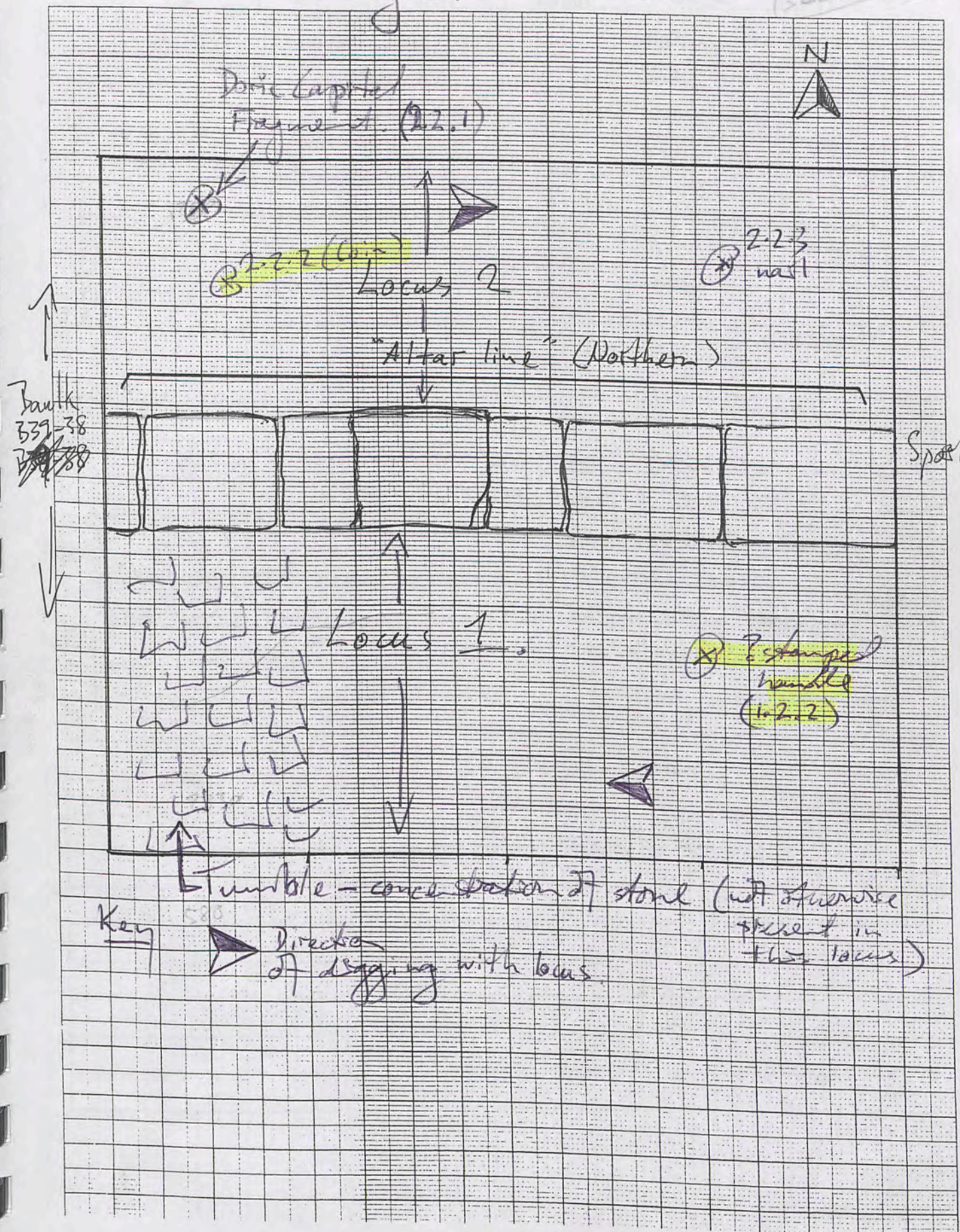
Context	Report
1/2	Given the cross sections evident on the
2/2	Nth + Sth borders of the trench, with instruct workers to remove deeper spots. (approx 20cm).
2/2	Doric Capital Frag removed from NW corner (2.2.1) on approx 400mm below on cat72 level + course of above line masonry. (approx 400mm down).
2/2	Col - removed from NW corner (2.2.2) - bronze discolored (? legibility).
2/2	Note substantial amount of pottery & some red tile coming from this context (in contrast to Layer 1 which features smaller volumes).
1/2	1.2.2 - possible stamp visible on amphora handle (note angular handle). - bagged to be inventoried.

2/2 "Fat" nail lifted from NE corner of 2/2
(2.2.3).

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Scale. 1:25. Fig. 1. *اورنگ آباد*

1mm Squares



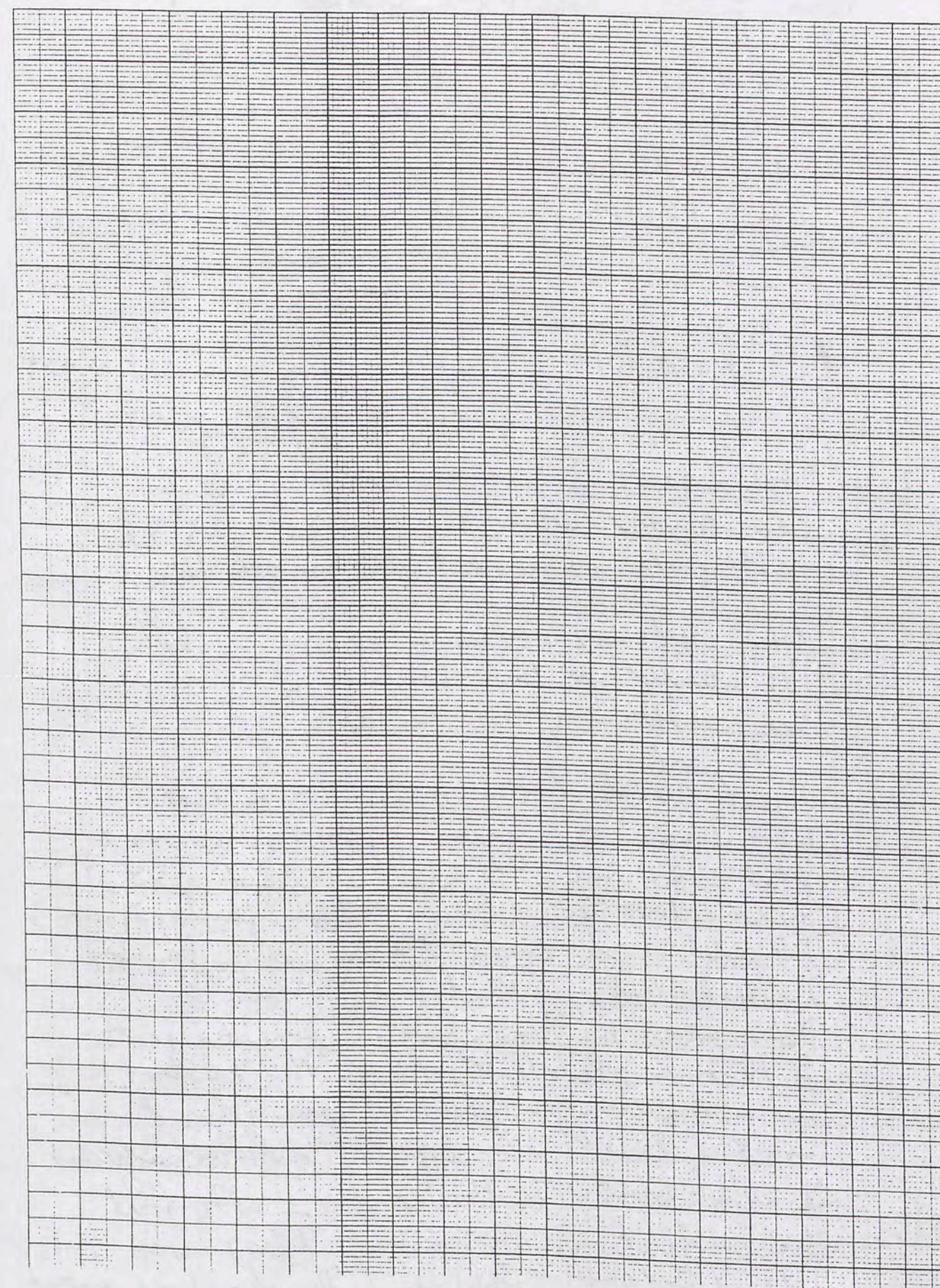
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Trench.....^{B38}.....Initials.....^{J.15}.....Date.....^{28/4/06}.....Page.....².....
Locus.....².....Spit.....³.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	1	2.3	
Bone			
Charcoal	1	2.3	
Plaster			
Tile			

Photographs:

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2.3.1	Needle	2.3
2.3.2	Spondlo whal	2.3

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Trench B38 Initials J.T. Date 26/4/06 Page 1
 Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 2 Spit 2 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	4	1.2/1.3	2.3 x 2
Bone	2	1.3	2.3.
Charcoal	—	—	—
Plaster	—	—	—
Tile	Some tile fragments		

Photographs: Jt 0310, 0311

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2.3.3	Coin (bronze)	2.3
2.3.4	? nail	2.3
2.3.5	lamp spout	2.3
2.3.6	iron stud	2.3
2.3.7	iron bag	2.3
1.3.1	nail	1.3
2.3.8	Fig Frag	2.3 06.435
2.3.9	Nail	2.3
2.3.10	Iron Bit	2.3
2.3.11	Coloured glass frag	2.3

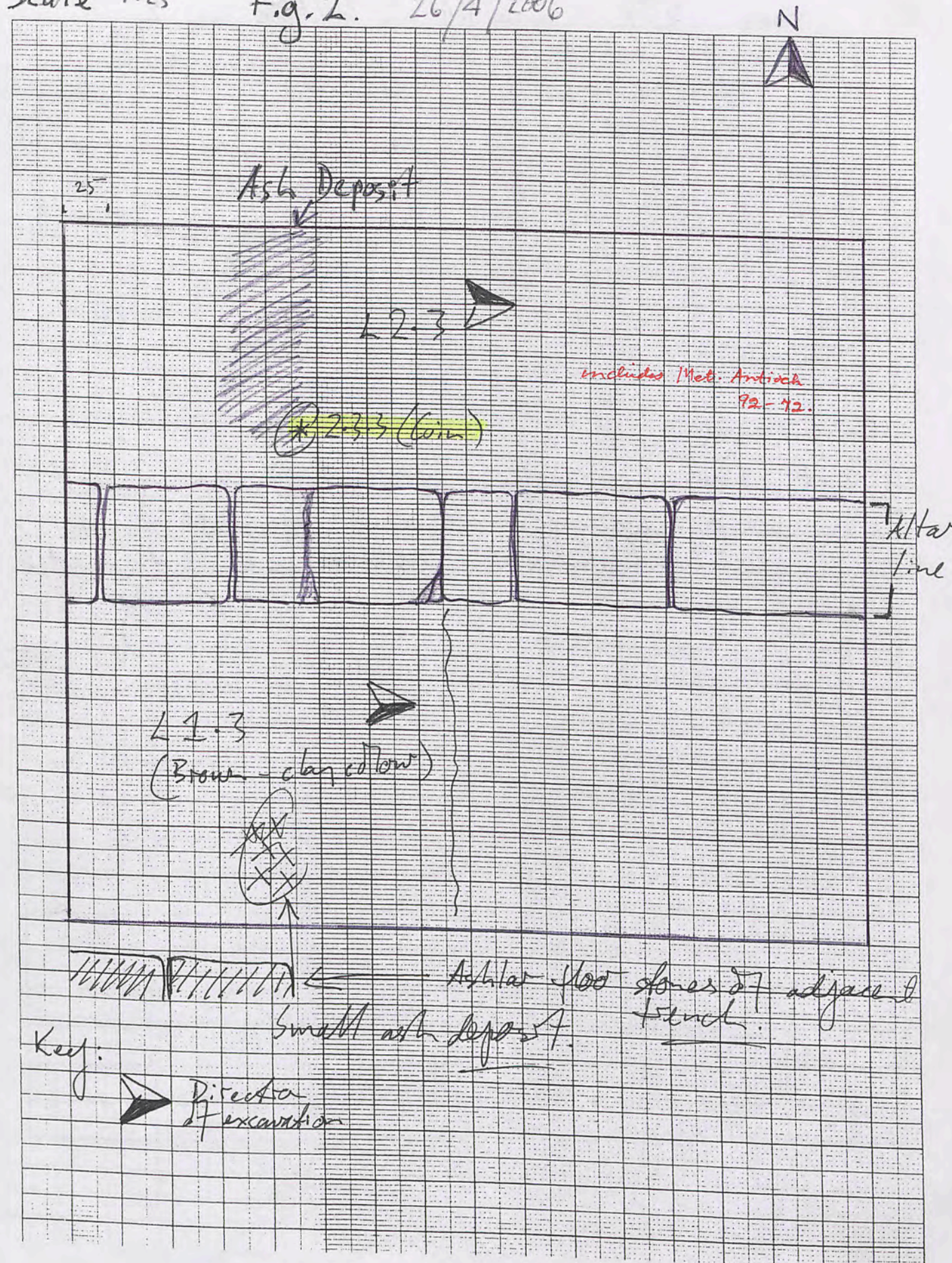
Context	Report
2.3	Ash deposit in northern corner — see fig 2. Coin removed from this context (2.3.8) — note: we are almost @ bedrock here.
2.3/1.2	Altar blocks are clearly on packing — clearly not intended for load bearing. see photos Jt 0310 & 0311.
2.3	Objects prevalent thus far in this context. ESA fragments suggest construction occurred post 150 BCE. "faded" evident just below this level. (at 900mm from top of altar)
1.3	1.3 established approx 650 mm down from top of altar block in West end of Locus 1. Distinguished by clay brown earth. Expect objects to become prevalent through this context. — ESA fragments (Echinoid, etc) present. — some small ash deposits disturbed adjacent to altar blocks to the south — note that this context in this corner (SW) was subject to 20th "robbing" (note also large amount of bone).

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Scale 1:25 Fig. 2. 26/4/2006

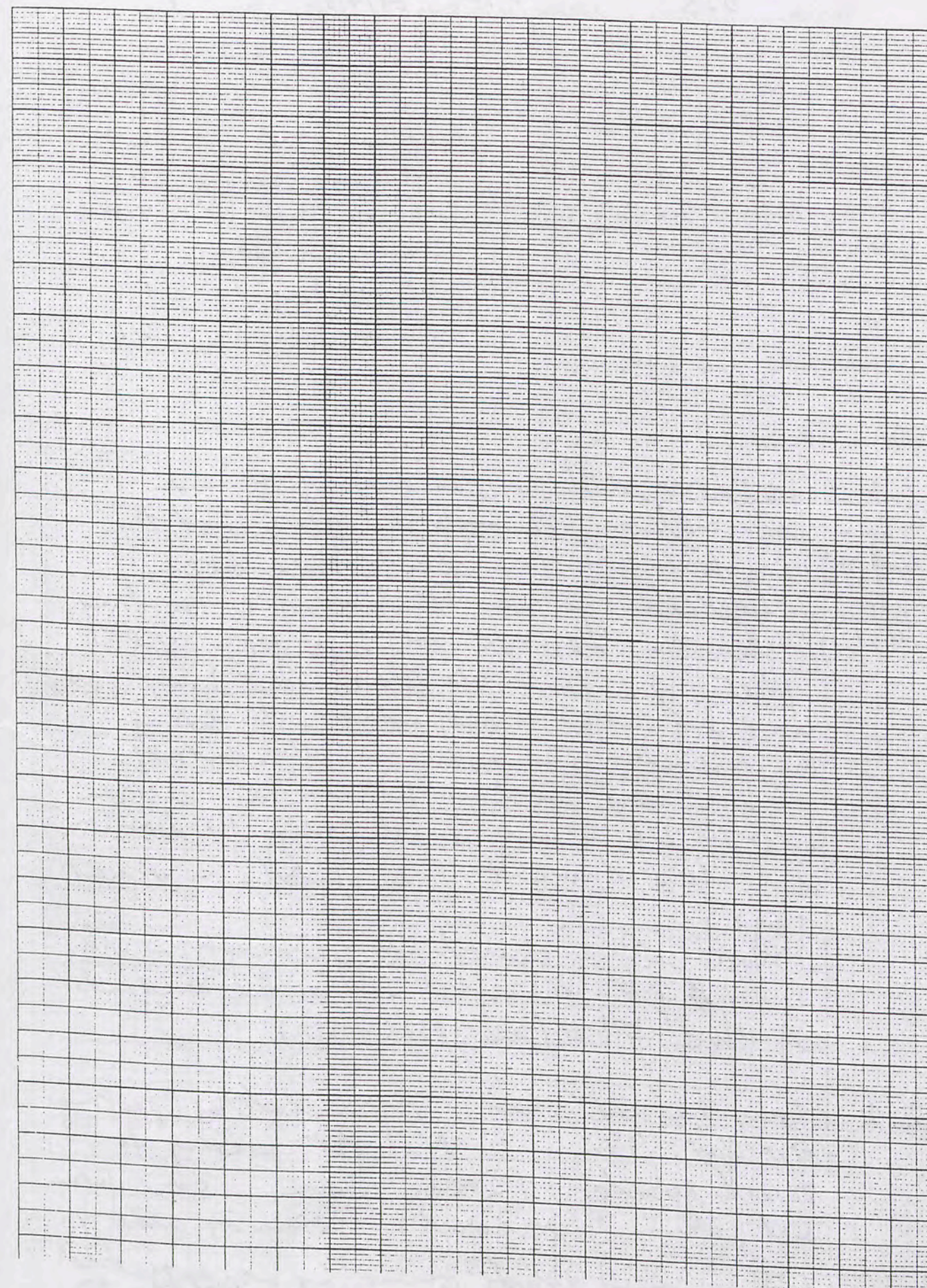
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Trench.....B38.....Initials.....J.T......Date.....26/1/06.....Page.....2
Locus.....2.....Spit.....4.....Locus..........Spit..........Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2.4.1	Lamp bag	2-4
2.4.2	Loom wt	2-4
2.4.3	Fig tag	2-4.

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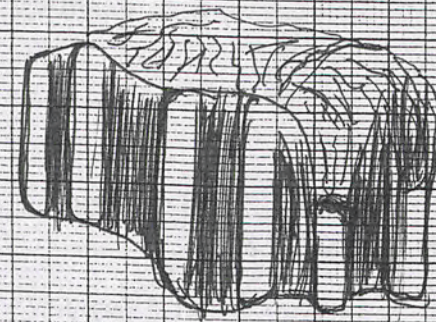
Trench B38 Initials J.T. Date 27/4/86 Page 1
 Locus 2 Spit 4 Locus 1 Spit 1 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	2	2.4	1.3
Bone	3	2.4, 1.3, 3.1	
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

Photographs: 2.4 = J0328-29.

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2.4.4	Lamp Frag	2.4
2.4.5	Iron - ? clamp	2.4
2.4.6	Lamp Frag	2.4
2.4.7	Moulded pottery	2.4
1.3.2	Iron Frag	1.3
3.1.1	Iron "lump"	3.1

Context	Report
2.4 (950mm down from top of altar line)	Proceeding with clearance of "floor" - on examination it appears that the irregularities of the jebel have been mitigated by use of "clay-like" packing (Hellenistic "No Gaps" or "large gaps crack filler"). Lamp frag (2.4.4), Iron "clamp" (2.4.5), Lamp frag (2.4.6) - may assist with dating the construction that occurred in this context. Peculiar stone ^{ceramic} moulding lifted from eastern border of 2.4 - may be architraving for door or some interior ornament. (see sketch on adjacent page). "Floor" surface cleaned for photography - will remove "floor" thereafter to examine contents of this fill. (see J0328 + 0329)
2.1	Locus 3.1 established - represented by "packing" over floor. Iron - remove floor packing to reveal jebel. (2100mm section - 800mm from east, 1000mm in from west). Better of pottery.
1.3	Not as many objects coming up as expected when compared to adjacent locus. But ^{quantity} some ^{some} appearing in eastern end of spit. To be photographed. Some ESA collected.



2.4.7 (from "floor" clearing)
 Moulded
~~stone~~
 Pottery
 ? architraving or
 interior ornament
 moulding / furniture?

Trench..... B38 Initials..... J.W. Date 29/4/06 Page 1
 Locus..... 1 Spit..... 3 Locus..... 3 Spit..... 1 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	2	1.4	3.1
Bone	2	1.4	3.1
Charcoal	/	/	/
Plaster	/	/	/
Tile	Small sample		

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
3.1.2	Iron Frag	3.1
1.4.1	Lamp frag (base)	1.4 ob. 095
1.4.2	Glass Frag.	1.4
1.4.3	Lamp frag (top)	1.4 ob. 210
1.4.4	Iron Frag	1.4
1.4.5	Metal "bit"	1.4

Photographs: J+0343-44 (progress of excavation in 3.1)

Context	Report
3.1	Excavation of "floor packing" reveals levelled jebel. More or less barren of pottery - some coarse ware + some iron evident. * See photos J+0343-44 for reference. * Packing approx 150-200 mm thick (variable over the irregularities of the bedrock). (*) NB - ESA in pottery comes from surface of this spit i.e. pressed to floor + NOT within packing below.
1.4	1.4 established - jebel evident in western border adjacent to temple platform to south. Associated pottery coming up including ESA (as 2.4). Plan: work to bedrock as for Locus 2/Locus 3.

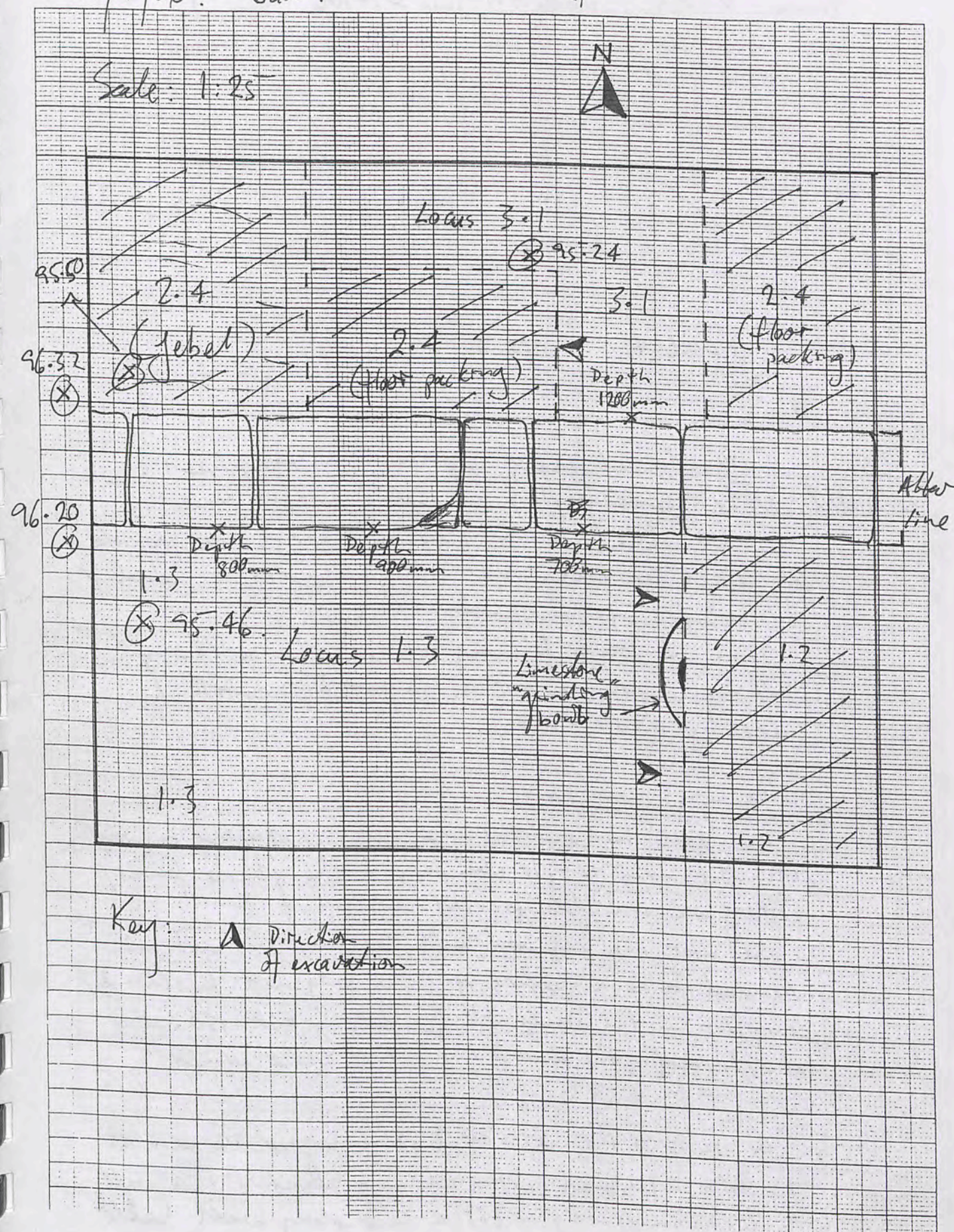
End 29/4 -> hard "floor packing" present as in 2.4 - will sweep down for photography on 30/4/06. Thereafter will excavate a small section to bedrock.

Jebel (limestone) appears to be in situ in eastern section of 1.4 - though sitting on a small thin layer above the floor.

1mm Squares

29/4/06. 6am.

#2



Trench..... B38 Initials..... J.T. Date..... 30/4/06 Page..... 1

Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit	No.	Object	Loc/Spit
Pottery						
Bone						
Charcoal						
Plaster						
Tile						

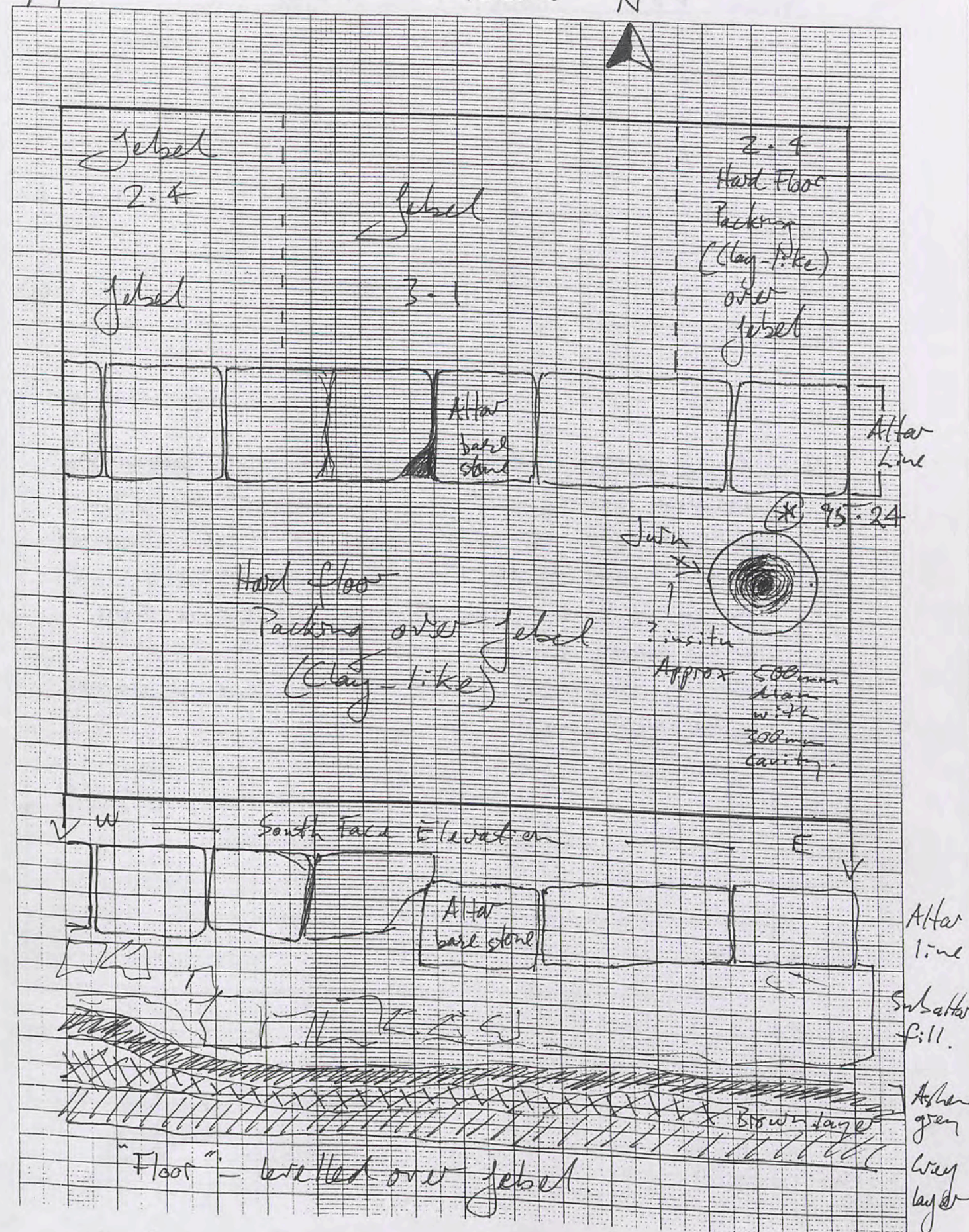
Photographs: Jt 0366-76; Jt 0377-78 (J.T.)

Context	Report
B38	Trench cleared up & photographed. Note stratigraphy beneath altar line & also, the hard packing used to provide a level surface over the bedrock (evident both sides of the altar line). J.T. in locus 1 may be in situ although sitting upon a silica layer of earth. (see Jt 0377-78). <u>Preliminary conclusions</u> 1. The "floor" laid over the Jebel was constructed concurrently with the main temple structure - though no finds/pottery are available to verify this. 2. The altar line was laid much later & was not intended to be a feature of the original building complex - the crude fill (containing ESA-150 BCE or later) beneath the altar line & either side would verify this hypothesis.

3. The walls to the north of B38 & beyond its context may represent (i) a retaining structure (see wall with 2 column drums) & (ii) a secondary wall built long after the establishment of the temple & the time that the altar line was laid (verified by the sub wall packing consistent & that below the altar).
some spec. conclusion.

30/4/06 Scale 1:25 7:30 am

1mm Squares



Elevation - schematic (stratigraphy) not to scale.

Trench.....³³⁹.....Initials.....^{J.T.}.....Date.....^{20/4/06}.....Page.....
Locus.....⁵.....Spit.....⁷.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	1	5.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5. 1. 1	metal probe	5.1

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1mm Squares

Trench..... B39 Initials..... J. H. Date..... 1-5-06 Page..... 1
Locus..... 5 Spit..... 2 Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	<u>1</u>	5-2	
Bone	<u>1</u>	5-2	
Charcoal	—	—	—
Plaster	<u>1</u>	see	5-2-2
Tile	—	—	—

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5.2.1	Iron piece	5.2
5.2.2	Plaster	5.2
5.2.3	? ear ring "munkin"	5.2

Photographs: see yt 0408-0416. - progress of B39 comp/ex.

Context	Report
5.2	Context characterised by much tumbled limestone - unlike the relatively little quantity in B38 to the east. Pottery is largely coarse ware & cook pots. Plaster fragment (5.2.2) found in SW corner of the bench, near altar line. Firing (munkin) also found in this sector. (5.2.3)
	Worked, ashlar block lifted from middle of western border of 5.2. Measurements: 620 x 360 x 320 mm.
	Two more appearing to the north of this just below the altar line blocks - will leave in situ for now.

Trench.....B39.....Initials.....J.T.R.....Date.....2-5-06.....Page.....1.....

Locus.....5.....Spit.....2..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	1	5	2
Bone	1	5	2
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

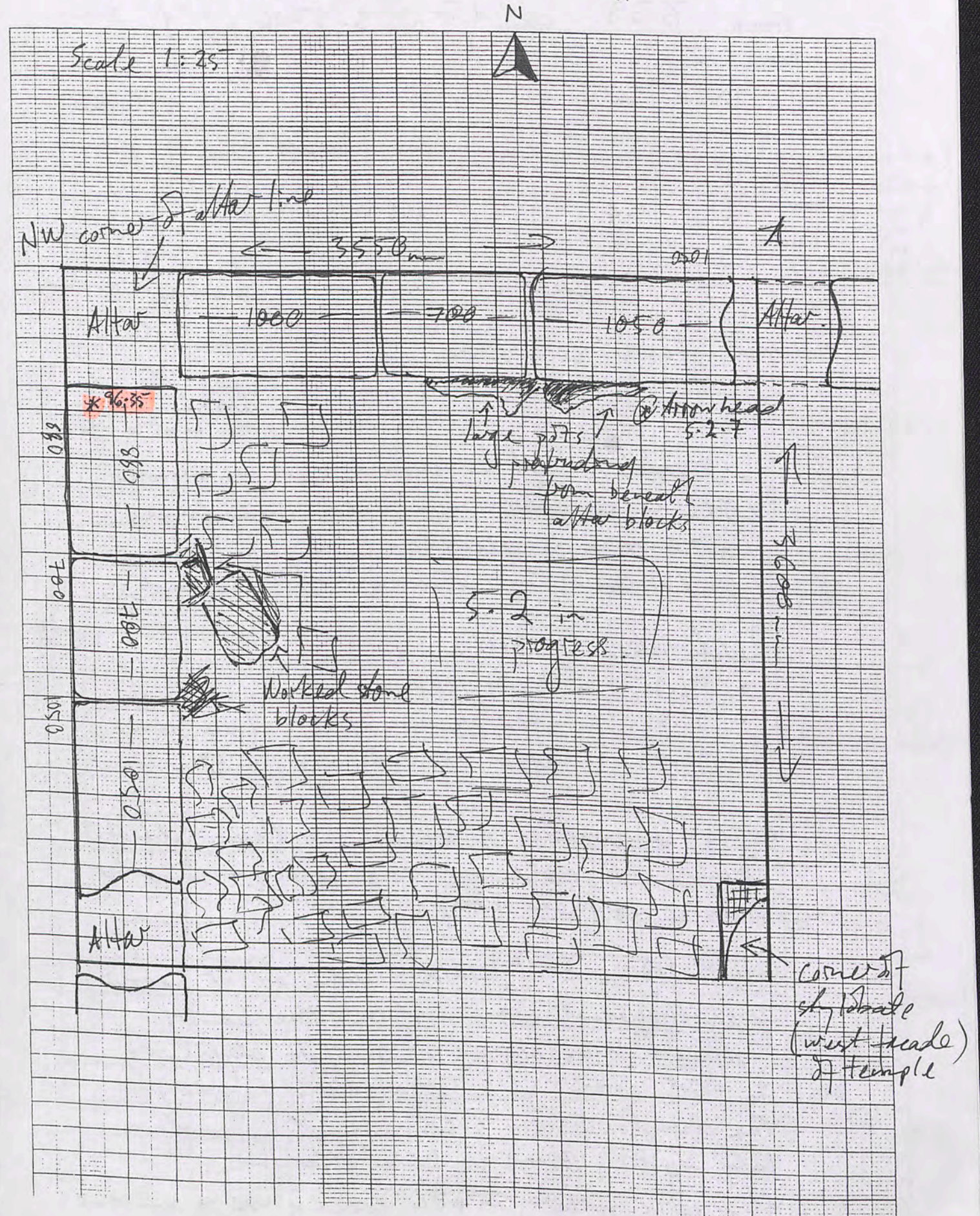
Photographs:

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5.2.4	iron flag (Hed)	5.2
5.2.5	iron "fastener"	5.2.
5.2.6	the slag deposit	5.2
5.2.7	arrowhead	5.2.

Context	Report
5.2	Tumbled stone appears to be sitting on a more forgiving brown earth. Easier going once layer of tumble removed. Large pot shards protruding from beneath the altar line (E-W) - no doubt thrown in as part of the sub altar packing. Should be able to reveal the detail of the corner of the temple facade beneath the NW column base - one wonders whether we'll see a definitive step on this side. All objects (5.2.4-6) found along southern border - then again, beautiful arrowhead lifted from NE corner near pot shards (in situ).

2-5-2006.

All measurements of ashlar blocks are approximate. 1mm Squares



Trench..... B39 Initials..... J.T. Date..... 3-5-06 Page..... 1
 Locus..... 5 Spit..... 3 Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit	No.	Object	Loc/Spit
Pottery	1	5.3		5.3.1	Basalt "Donut"	5.3
Bone	1	5.3		5.3.2	Basalt "Donut"	5.3
Charcoal				5.3.3	Slag Deposit	5.3
Plaster		5.3 (see 5.3.6)		5.3.4	Glass frag	5.3
Tile				5.3.5	Coin (? Seleucid)	5.3. <i>unid. See.</i>
				5.3.6	Plaster frag	5.3

Photographs: J10459 - 68 - various views

of 5.3 in progress. (note pits under altar & masonry in east bank).

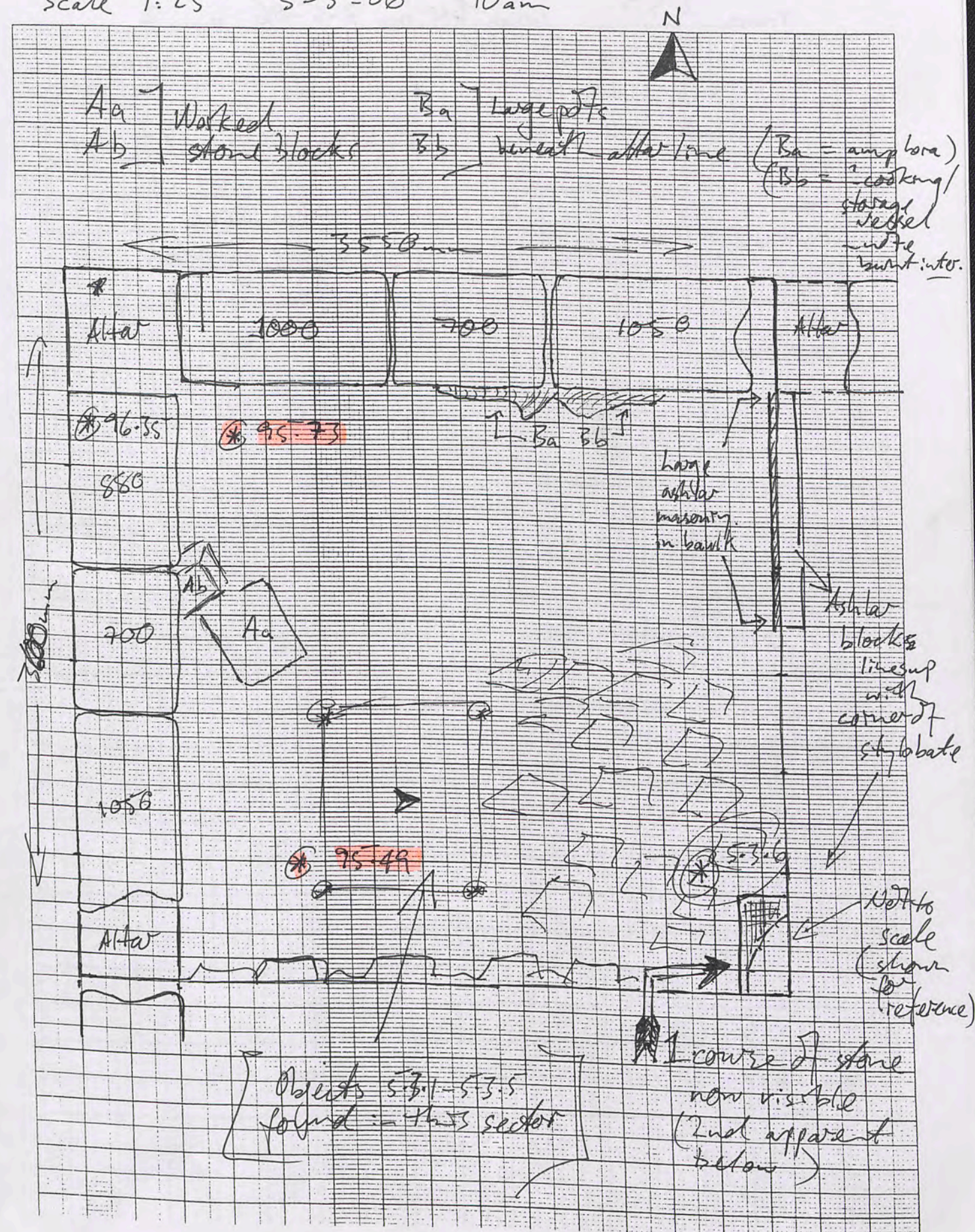
Context	Report
5.3.	5.3 established - characterized by brown earth & more tumbled limestone. Coarse ware is prevalent & some bone (as evident in B38 at this level). Levels taken @ 7:45am * 96.35 - top of altar line * 95.73 - after clearance of 5.2 (NW corner) * 95.49 - after clearance of 5.3 (in SW corner) Note: comparatively rocky in southern half of trench - more forgiving earth & smaller rocks in northern half. Note: NE corner - E. bank: large ashlar masonry faces the trench from within the bank (appears to be aligned to corner of stylobate in SE corner) - 1300mm long (approx)

Four objects 5.3.1 - 5.3.5 found in southern half approx 1500mm in from altar line.

Also note pottery - FBG, green glaze & unique pot (? flask) - from this context.

1mm Squares

Scale 1:25 3-5-06 10am



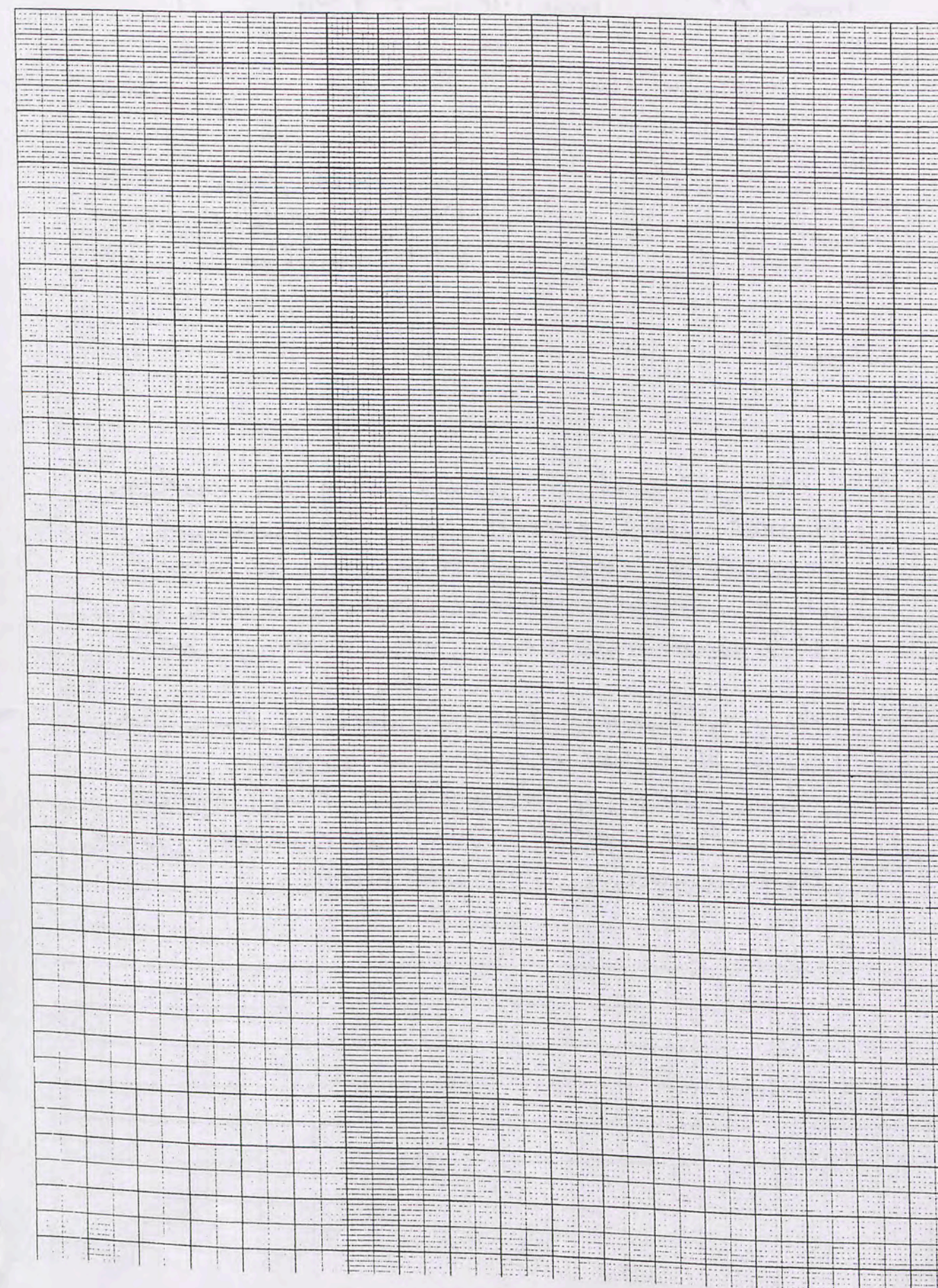
1mm Squares

Trench B39 Initials JSR Date 3-5-06 Page 2
Locus 5 Spit 3 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5-3-7	Basalt Dornit 3	5-3
5-3-8	" " 4	"
5-3-9	Worked mobile	"
5-3-10	Worked/moulded	"
	stone - ?architraving	

Photographs:

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Trench.....B39.....Initials.....J.T......Date.....4-5-06.....Page.....1
Locus.....5.....Spit.....3.....Locus.....5.....Spit.....4.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	3	5/4	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

Photographs:

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5.4.1	Iron nail	5.4
5.4.2	Marble frags	5.4.
5.4.3	Iron fastener	5.4
5.4.4	Iron "Blob"	5.4

Context	Report
5.3	This spit ends in level along the eastern border which appears to be quarried to provide a level surface. In contrast, the remainder of the trench to the west still contains brown, albeit rocky, earth.
5.4	New spit established - working down from level of level along east border. Much pottery (particularly pithos) lifted from this spit - very large sherds (some ESA fine ware) - 3 bags full!

Trench.....B39.....Initials.....J.T......Date.....6-5-06.....Page.....1
Locus.....5.....Spit.....4.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	2	5.4.	Cincl
Bone			
Charcoal	Timber	Sample	5.4
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5.4.5	Iron Fastener	5.4.
5.4.6	Metal "Clamp" ? Copper Alloy/Lead	5.4.
5.4.7	Iron nail	5.4
5.4.8	Iron fragment	5.4
5.4.9	Glass Fragment	5.4.

Photographs:	✓ + 0498-99 (excavation of jar from site 4)
Context	Report

Context	Report
5.4	starting to see the firm "packing" over the jebel in the NW corner of the junction of the altar lines (as evident in B38). Jebel along east border has been cut to provide, what seems to be, a "step up" to the temple podium. Note: ashlar masonry evident in the fill along the southern border of the trench - its position suggests that there is some way to go before we hit bedrock (currently approx 20 cm down from bedrock "step" to the east). Jar removed from beneath features Aa + Ab - see photos + 0438-99. Timber sample lifted from mid-trench.
5.5	New spit established to within the southern quarter of the trench - defined by rocky tumble / fill. (1200 mm in from northern border i.e. E-W altar line).

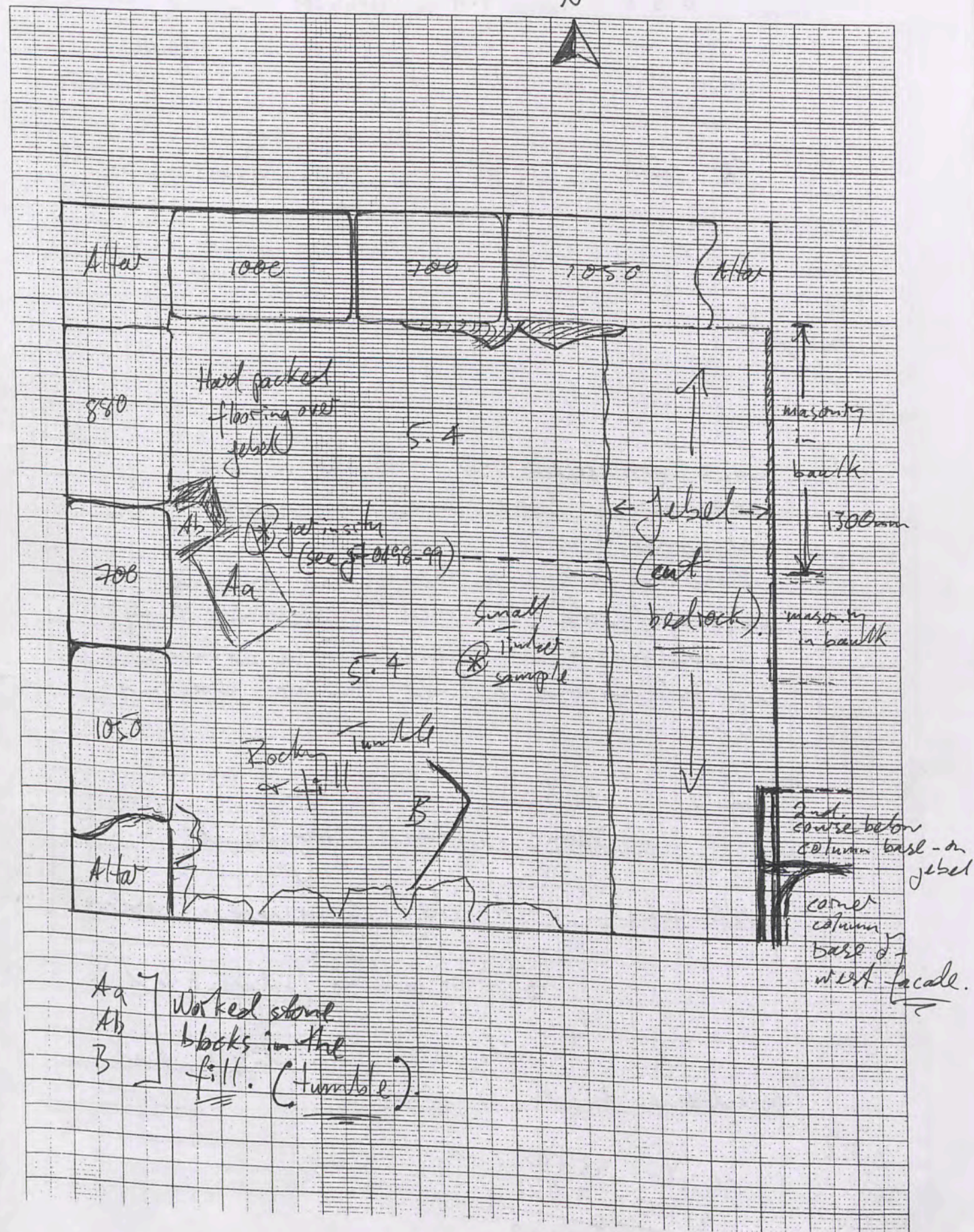
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S. 4 before establishment of S. 5.

Scale 1:25

6:30am

1mm Squares



Trench..... B39 Initials..... J. H. Date..... 6-5-86 Page..... 2
 Locus..... 5 Spit..... 5 Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery	<u>2</u>	<u>SA</u>	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

Photographs:

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No.	Object	Loc/Spit
5.5.1	Glass Frag	5.5
5.5.2	Coin ? Greek Obol	5.5
5.5.3	Iron - ? nail	5.5
5.5.4	Lamp spout 66.293	5.5

Context	Report
5.5	Coin (pos. Greek Obol) found in fill surrounding large ^{block} piece of masonry in SW corner.
	Masonry displays moulding on one exposed side - clearly architraving - in addition, small piece of a column capital found beside the architraving block.
	Features - Architraving Masonry. 5.5 A. - Doric capital fragment. 5.5 B.
	Levels taken - (A) gibel along eastern border. 95.355 (B) floor packing (adjacent to A.) 95.100
	Note: 25.5 cm differential. (Worked stone Aa & Ab removed)

2.82
95.31
98.13

98.130 98.130
2.775 3.030
95.355 95.100

Trench B39 Initials J.T. Date 7-5-06 Page 1
 Locus 5 Spit 5 Locus 5 Spit 5 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	1	5.5	
Bone	/	/	
Charcoal	/	/	
Plaster	/	/	
Tile	/	/	

Photographs:

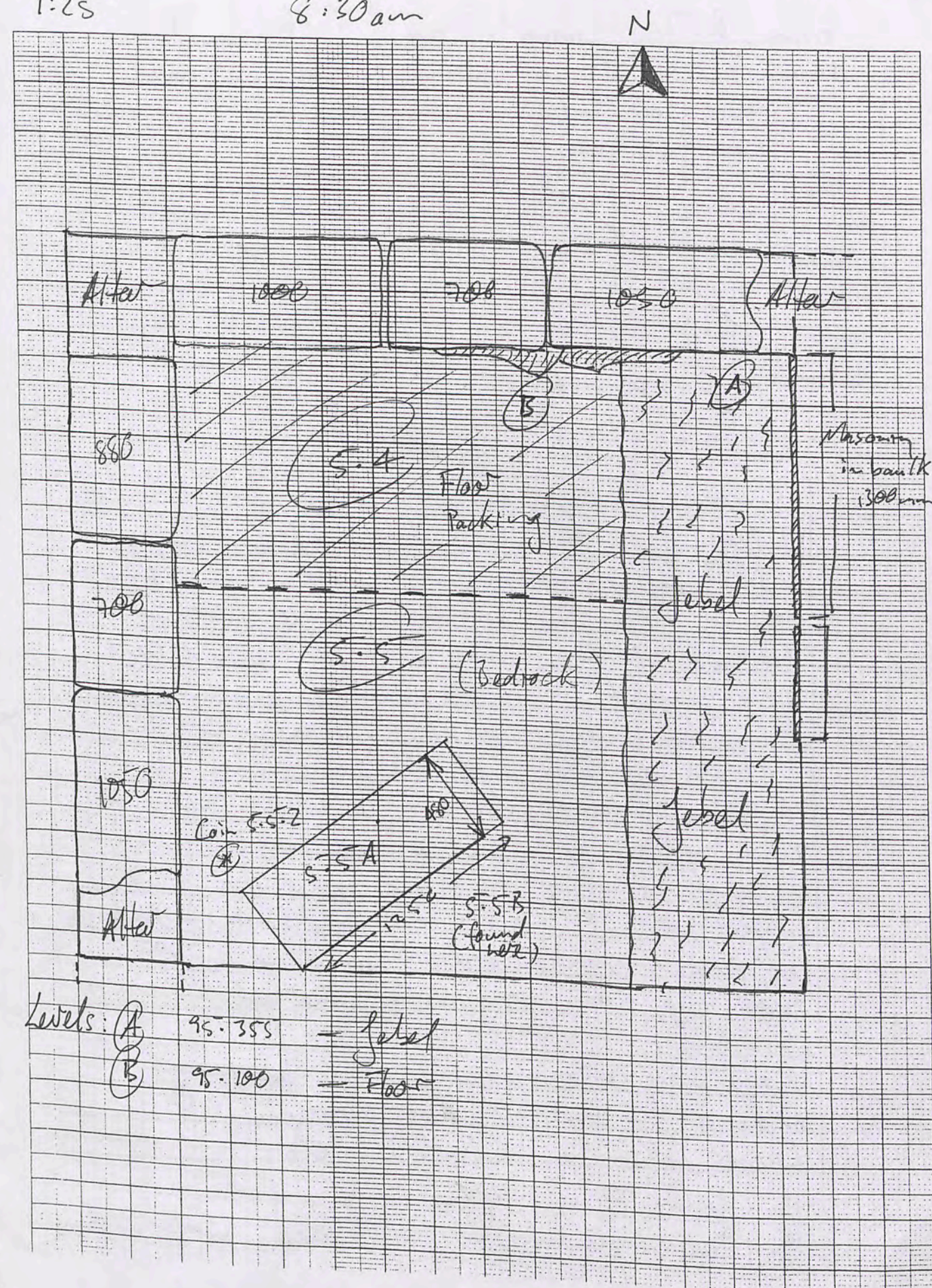
Context	Report
5.5	Heavy going in 5.5 due to dense packing. So far this material is rather barren next to nil pottery (with the exception of the coin found earlier). Will take levels once we reach jebel - may need to turn archiving block (5.5A) to check for moulding (however, this may fracture the stone).
	5.5.5 - "crystal"-like stone bagged for analysis. - found adjacent to jebel in SE corner. (probably nothing significant)
	By end of day, have yet to encounter bedrock though we may be near given the crushed limestone now evident in the "sub-floor" packing.

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1:25

8:30am

1mm Squares



Trench B39 Initials J.T. Date 8-5-86 Page 1
 Locus 5 Spit 5 Locus 5 Spit 5 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit

Photographs: J+0521-0532.

Context	Report
5.5	Bedrock finally encountered within first 10 minutes of digging — will clean up, level & photograph. 5.5 is rather barren with approx 900mm of firm packing within the boundaries of the quarried bedrock to the east & what, I expect, to be also present to the west — just beyond the altar line (as evident in locus 6). It is possible that the whitening block (5.5A) may have fallen onto the surface of this packing, with the compression of the impact bringing it to rest deeper than the surface evident to its north (5.4). Otherwise, the question is "how did it come to rest below the floor along with the column capital (5.5B)?" Some very serious quarrying is becoming evident — but for what purpose? Levels taken on bedrock — 5.5.

- A. Junction of quarried bed "well" + "floor"
 B. Bedrock alongside altar line (western border of locus 5)

95.310	97.835	97.835	97.835
2.575	3.285	3.240	2.395
97.835	94.550	94.595	95.440

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 Locus... B38-39 ... Spit... ... Locus... ... Spit... ... Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery	1	1	
Bone	1	1	
Charcoal	/		
Plaster	/		
Tile	/		

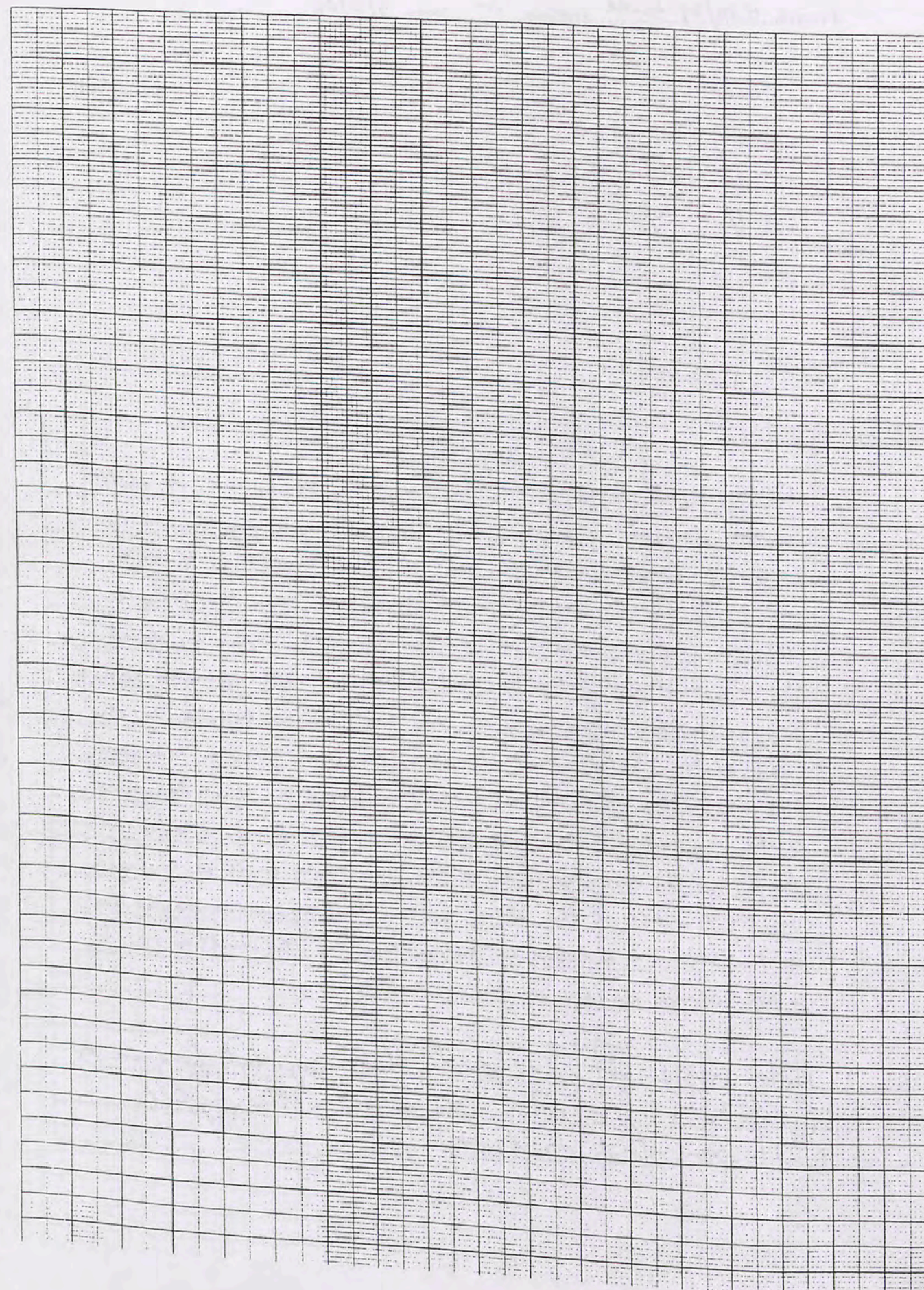
No.	Object	Loc/Spit
1.1	Long Base Frag ob. 471	

Photographs:

Context	Report
B38-39 Baulk (South)	Commenced clearing of the baulk alongside the North end of the western stylobate. Should take only 2 spits to clear given the masonry evident in the western face of the baulk. Expecting to collect more of the same pottery & fragments from this context.
	*Abolished masonry present along the axis of the baulk, positioned on bedrock in line with the stylobate of the western facade.

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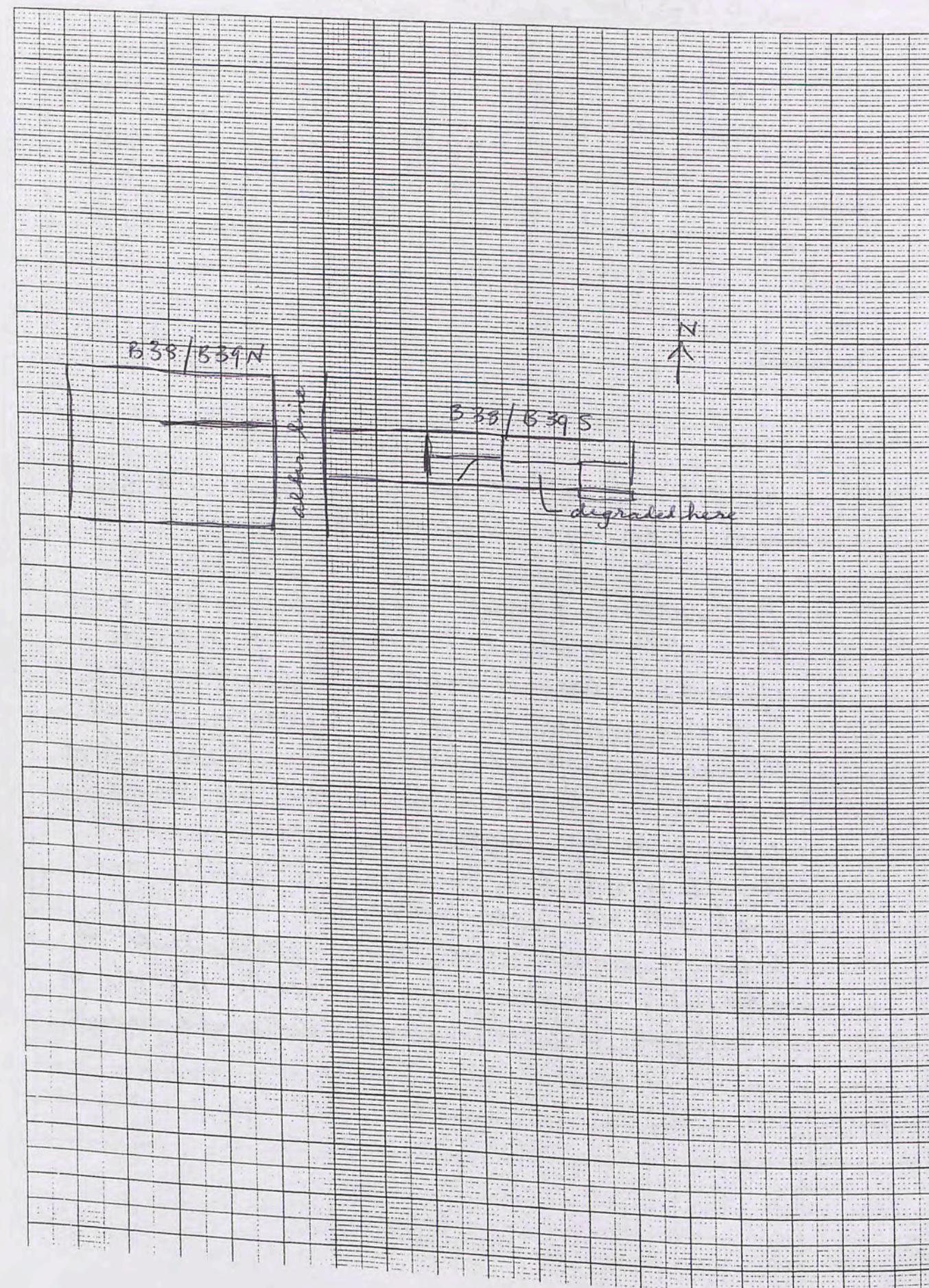


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 Locus... .. Spit... 2 ... Locus... .. Spit... .. Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit	No.	Object	Loc/Spit
Pottery	1/	2/	S. 2 Bag } N. 1 Bag }	1	Ramp Frag. ob. 469	2
Bone	1/	2/	S. 1 Bag } N. 1 Bag }			
Charcoal						
Plaster						
Tile						

Photographs: J+0576-77

Context	Report
	Continuing to clear baulk from S to N, as spit 2. It will reveal largely masonry blocks. Already a few more pieces of worked basalt, but it doesn't look as if the masonry blocks are at all continuous from the temple stylobate (but could be fallen blocks). However some are clearly laid deliberately. Yet another basalt pounder (not bagged). After cleaning up we will clear baulk to the N, still B38/39 but to distinguish the area I'll call it B38/39N [baulk] spit 1 + then spit 2. Further piece of the degraded doric capital recovered from B38/B39(S). By 11 a.m. The continuation of the masonry wall is emerging on the N side of the altar line - but again it might only be tumble. The deliberate formation of the wall to the S is now clear, seated on the bedrock.
	Photos take of "detached" doric capital fragments (J+0576-77) - note: fragment on the right not from this context!



Trench B 38-39 Bank (North) Initials J.T. Date 10/5/06 Page 1
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
Sp. 2.1	Nail	Sp. 2
Sp. 2.2	Nail Frag	Sp. 2

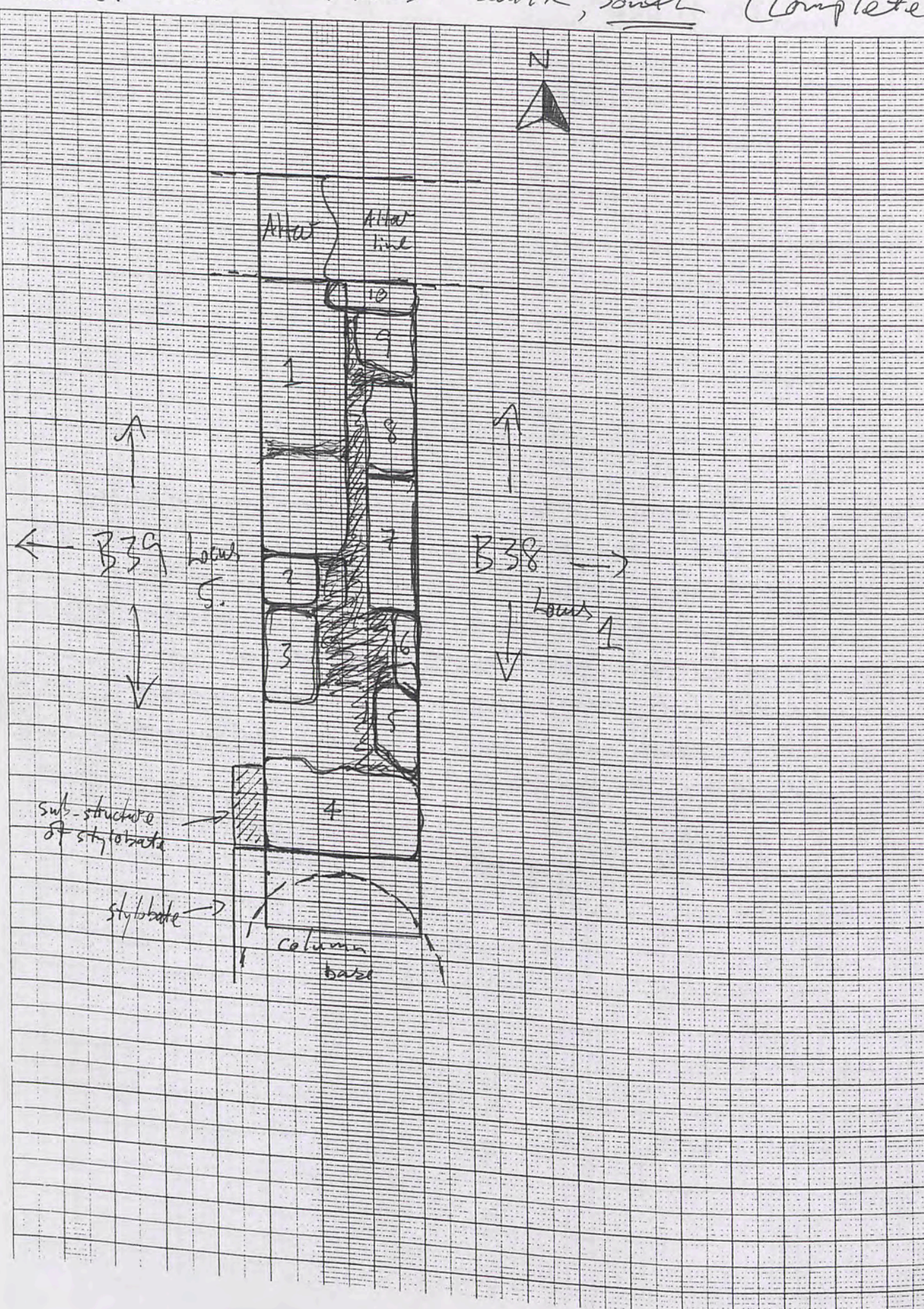
Photographs:

Context	Report
Spit 1.	Removal of soil & stone revealed little but 2 kg of pitheos (not bagged)
Sp. 2	Deliberately placed masonry revealed on the north end, with a line of rocks to its south perpendicular to the altar line that also appear to be deliberately placed. Will clean up for definition as these, along with those in B38-39 South appear too small to be a feature associated with the main temple structure (the again??). Note, however, that all rest upon bedrock. Chose to remove the rocks (perpendicular to altar line) - on doing so, much earth, roof tile & a nail frag. collected - not a deliberate feature.

Scale. 1:25

B 38-39 Bank, South (Complete)

1mm Squares



Hand-drawn sketch of a site plan on graph paper. The plan shows a central rectangular area labeled "Worked Block" with a dashed line labeled "Alter Line" running through its center. To the left of the "Worked Block" is a vertical strip labeled "Alter". To the right of the "Worked Block" is a vertical strip labeled "Quarried Ridge of Gabbro (Both north/south faces quarried)". A dashed line labeled "Boundary of B38-39 (North)" runs horizontally across the middle of the "Worked Block". A north arrow points towards the top right. A note with an arrow points to a heart-shaped area on the right, stating "Heart shaped column base here."

Trench B39-33 Bank Initials J.T. Date 11-5-86 Page
 Locus Spit 1 Locus Spit 2 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/ spit	Loc/ spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2-1	Loom weight	Sp. 2.

Photographs:

Context	Report
B39-33 Bank Sp 1+2	1st spit taken out "brutally" - "Karmah Kibir" - all of which was disturbed & tarnish of pottery, etc.
	2nd spit commenced at the level of the the line of stone & column bases in B33. Substantial ash deposit (no bone) evident at the northern limit of the bank alongside the E-W wall. <u>Soil sample taken.</u>
	By day's end - deliberately laid blocks/ stones have appeared consistent with the strip in B33 & adjacent to a heart-shaped column base in B39. Also, a row of stones travel east perpendicular to this strip, near bedrock - ? purpose. Will become clear early on the next day's digging.

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Trench B39-33 Bank Initials J.T. Date 11-5-86 Page
 Locus Spit 1 Locus Spit 2 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Loc/spit	Loc/spit
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Plaster			
Tile			

No.	Object	Loc/Spit
2-1	Loom weight	Sp. 2

Photographs:

Context	Report
B39-33 Bank	1st spit taken out "blindly" - "Karmah Kabir" - all of which was disturbed & taken off pottery, etc.
	2nd spit commenced at the level of the line of stone & column bases in B33. Substantial ash deposit (no bone) evident at the northern limit of the bank along the E-W wall. Soil sample taken.
	By day's end - deliberately laid blocks/stones have appeared consistent with the strip in B33 & adjacent to a heart-shaped column base in B39. Also, a row of stones travel east perpendicular to this strip, near bedrock - ? purpose will become clear early on the next day's digging.

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Trench Context Record

Trench.....

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JOB No.:

Temple B38

SURVEYOR: Jamie Travis

DATE: 23-4-06

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Backsight	Inter.	Foresight	Rise	Fall	Reduced Levels	Chainage	REMARKS
2.20					95.31		BM Centre of E-W foundation line
	1.22				96.29		NE Cnr
	1.15				96.36		NW "
	1.61				95.90		SW
	2.19				95.32		SE
	1.32				96.19		Centre of Nat. Surf.
	B 38		29-4-06		95.31		BM
2.44	1.43				96.32		SW face Locus 2
	2.25				95.50		Jebel after clearing 2.4
	2.51				95.24		" " 3.1
	1.56				96.20		Surface Locus 1
	2.30				95.46		after clearing 1.4 west
	B 38		30-4-06		95.31		BM
2.52	2.59				95.24		Jebel after clearing of 1.4 east floor east

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JOB No.: B39 5.2 (end)

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SURVEYOR: JT

DATE: 3-5-2006

Backsight	Inter.	Foresight	Rise	Fall	Reduced Levels	Chainage	REMARKS
2.72	1.68				95.31		B.M.
	2.30				96.35		on altar line NW cnr
	2.54				95.73		After clearing of 5.2 (NW)
					95.49		clearance of 5.3 (SW)
B39	6-5-06						
2.82	2.775				95.310		B.M.
	3.030				95.355		A. 1st cut - eastern border (end 5.3)
					95.100		B. 2nd cut - clearance of 5.4 (adjacent to A.)
							(25.5cm differential)
B39	8-5-06						
2.525	3.285				95.310		A. Junction of quarter 1st cut with 1st cut
	3.240				94.550		B. Quarter 1st cut - adjacent to western altar line
					94.595		(45cm differential)
	2.395				95.440		C. 1st cut platform above 5.5 track
							(NOTE: 83cm cut into 1st cut)

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450
445
5
830

95.440
94.550
0.890
95.355
94.595
0.760