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In this article, Stronach reviews a.o. the mechanics of Persian migration with the aid of the Arjan tomb. This tomb was dated around the 7th-6th century BC and displays both in its form and content a character less than strictly Elamite. The form seems to be influenced by Assyrian standards, while the grave goods can to some extent be compared with objects coming from Northwestern Iran and also with Assyria. D.S. suggests that it is possible that already during the early reign of Cyrus, several small Elamite political entities continued to flourish, characterized by a material culture that showed a mix of Elamite, Persian and Assyro-Babylonian elements. The tomb is a reflection of that. It is now suggested that both Achaemenes and Teispes were local rulers of these entities.
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