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- 1 According to the information provided by the Authors, no rock carvings were identified in the highlands of the Hamadan province since the discovery of the bas-relief that is presented in this paper. The latter was recently identified in the Alvand area (valley of Yakhchal). This is a small relief depicting a reclining person who seems to hold an object recalling a horn of plenty, or a big rhyton (?), in his right hand, and a cup (?) in his left. Comparisons that can be made with Elymaeans carvings, as far as iconography and linearity of the style are concerned, allow the Authors to propose a date to the Parthian period for the making of this subject. A ground survey of the area in which the carving is located is necessary for better defining the archaeological context of the scene, if any.

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