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zeroPleaseNoSpammingtype@xxxxxxxx wrote:

>  
> Hi,  
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> I've been trying to decipher an inscription (apparently) in Old  
> Persian that formed part of a treasure hunt contest some years ago.  
> While I am pretty sure it is O.P and not any other sort of cuneiform,  
> I haven't had any luck with R.G. Kent's lexicon. Added to this is the  
> possibility that the "message" was a red herring.  
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> Does any other lexicon, in particular a more coprehensive lexicon,  
> exist?

While a handful of additional inscriptions have been discovered since Kent's grammar was published over 50 years ago, I don't think they've added any new words.

Is it possible that someone simply transliterated an English message into OPers cuneiform, and the gimmick was simply to get you to identify the script and then read it?

And did you rule out Ugaritic? Some of the letters are similar in the two scripts.

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