Oğuz Soysal

In 2006/2007 Oğuz Soysal continued his job on the Chicago Hittite Dictionary Project. He has spent most of his time writing articles on words beginning with \textit{te / ti} and preparing the Turkish translations of CHD L and P for eCHD. Aside from this, his research activities have continued to focus on Hittite history and the Hattian language. The following articles were published: “Ein Textanschluß an KBo 3.24 (CTH 39.1),” Nouvelles Assyriologiques Brèves et Utilitaires 2006/1 (pp. 15–16); “Review of Hittite Etymological Dictionary, Vol. 6 (M),” by J. Puhvel, Bibliotheca Orientalis 63 (2006): 560–72; “Puhaunu,” Reallexikon der Assyriologie Bd. 11, Lfg. 1/2 (2006): 110; “Hattice metinlerde dört önemli kent ve bunların rahipleri,” Tabularia Hethaeorum: Hethitologische Beiträge Silvin Koşak zum 65. Geburtstag, edited by D. Groddek and M. Zorman, pp. 653–58 (Dresdner Beiträge zur Hethitologie, Band 25; Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2007); “‘Tanrı
Furthermore, four articles and one on necrology have been written with publication forthcoming.

Between December 2006 and January 2007 he visited Ankara where he worked with his colleague Dr. Rukiye Akdoğan, who is a curator of the Museum of Ancient Anatolian Civilizations in Ankara and the responsible person for the Boğazköy section of the museum, on some unpublished Boğazköy-Tablets which were purchased and deposited in the museum. This group of fragments bears the siglum “AnAr.” In 1948, the Turkish Assyriologist Kemal Balkan from Dil ve Tarih Coğrafya Fakültesi edited sixty-five of these “AnAr” fragments in his publication Ankara Arkeoloji Müzesinde Bulunan Boğazköy Tabletleri (ABoT). For his work he had mainly selected the better-preserved pieces. Other “AnAr” fragments, however, remained untouched since the series ABoT has not continued after Balkan’s only publication. The number of still unpublished “AnAr” texts is near seven hundred, and at least the half of them are of worth to edit. Dr. Akdoğan, who is recently preparing the copies of those fragments for the second volume of ABoT, has asked Soysal’s contribution to comment and categorize the texts. Since she is one of the most competent copyists of the Hittite tablets, Soysal gladly accepted her invitation. This would be a further Turkish-American cooperation in the field of the Hittitology. As part of their project, Dr. Akdoğan and Soysal conducted in January 2007 the final work on the fragments (final collations and taking digital pictures of the selected tablets). Soysal’s trip to Turkey and work in Ankara were made possible by the generous financial support from the Oriental Institute.