MARINA EL-ALAMEIN

EXCAVATIONS 1995

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Although no new excavations were carried out this season, documentation work was continued for a few days in March in hypogeum tombs T 1GH, T 7 and T 10A, which were previously cleaned of the remaining loose sand in parts of the funerary chambers.¹

In hypogeum T 1GH, a rectangular offering table was recorded. It was set against the east wall of the funerary chamber just below the main loculi. The relief decoration in the form of fruits and vegetables symbolized a continuous renewal of offerings. The presence of such a table should be linked with purely Egyptian funerary tradition. In hypogeum T 10A, two side chambers, on the east and west, were cleared and found to be empty. Following a renewed examination of the building blocks of tomb T 12, architect Jarek Dobrowolski was able to prepare a graphic reconstruction of the tomb (Fig. 1).

Shortly following the documentation work, a Polish-Egyptian Team for the Restoration of Monuments in Marina started work on the conservation of House no. 9.

¹ The documentation was carried out by Prof. W.A. Daszewski in cooperation with Dr. Grzegorz Majcherek, Mr. Jarosław Dobrowolski and Mr. Waldemar Jerke.
Fig. 1. Marina el-Alamein. Tomb T 12.