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Historical Truth and Official Language: *isopoliteia* between Nagidos and Arsinoe.

The fragmentation of the Hellenistic period did not hinder the creation of networks that allowed forming active alliances among cities. A usual type of treaty to this end was *isopoliteia*. I argue that in spite of their official character and language, treaties are not pale reflections of reality, but witnesses to real political situations. Inscriptions that are exceptional in their blunt language prove this: *isopoliteia* between Nagidos and Arsinoe (mid III B.C.) testifies to complex relationships and unpleasant dealings that do not hide behind formulas. The clear tension hinders any reference to friendship or kinship, which is replaced with a diplomatic act prompted by a Ligid official. A comparison with other grants stresses the peculiar character of the text and that actual events are testified in inscriptions.