EXCAVATIONS AT SERÇE LİMAN (1977)
A CARGO OF ELEVENTH - CENTURY GLASS

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One of the shipwrecks located by the American Institute of Nautical Archaeology, during its 1973 underwater survey between Bodrum and Antalya, tay about 75 meters from the northeast shore just inside the mouth of Serçe Liman, a large natura! harbor, at a depth of 33 meters. Retıred sponge diver Mehmet Aşkın of Bozburun had told the survey team that he had seen other divers bringing glass fragments to the surface from that spot, and two survey dives in 1973 revealed scattered glass and partially buried amphoras. believed at the time to be of the Late Byzantine period[1].

Be ween late June and early September, 1977, the institute began excavation of the site[2]. This·tirst campaign revealed o partially preserved wooden hull and a unique cargo of glass from the early 11th century **A.D.**

A detailed description of the ship's construction has been written by Frederick van Doorninck, Jr., for the **International Journal of Nautical Archaeology**[3] but his conclusions may be summarized here :

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(1) G. F. Bass, «Underwater Survey - 1973,» **Türk Arkeoloji Dergisi XXII** - 2 (1975) 34 (1.) with Res. 10 - 12 on p. 38.

(2) Staff: from AINA: G. F. Bass, C. J. Eiseman, D. A. Frey, J. W. Kelley, R.C.M. Piercy, and Tufan Turanlı; from İstanbul Devlet Güzel Sanatlar Akademisi, Gündüz Gölönü; from Boğaziçi Üniversitesi, Cemal Pulak, Sina Mandalinci, Ali Manisalı, Hasan incirlioğlu, Osman Pekin, and Barlas Çağlayan; from Texas **A&M** University; [illegible]

(3) G. F. Boss and F. H. van Doorninck, Jr., «An Eleventh - Century Shipwreck at Serçe Liman,, IJNA, forthcoming.