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In 2005/2006 **Oğuz Soysal** continued working on the Chicago Hittite Dictionary. He spent most of his time writing articles on words beginning with *ta*- and *te*-. Aside from this, his research activities have continued to focus on Hittite history and the Hattian language. The following articles

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Watching god Šarruma and king Tuthaliya IV at Yazılıkaya who terribly failed to save the Hittite empire

were published in 2005/2006: "On the Origin of the Royal Title tabarna / labarna," *Anatolica* 31 (2005): 189–209 (also as short report in *Newsletter of the Department of Archaeology & History of Art of the Bilkent University* 4 [2005]: 31); "Beiträge zur althethitischen Geschichte (III). Kleine Fragmente historischen Inhalts," *Zeitschrift für Assyriologie* 95 (2005):121–44; Review of *Taboos and Prohibitions in Hittite Society*, by Y. Cohen, (THeth 24), *Journal of the Near Eastern Studies* 65 (2006): 129–34. In addition, six other articles — one on necrology — and one review have been written and are waiting for publication.

Between May and June 2006 he visited Ankara, Turkey, where he worked for a short time with his colleague Rukiye Akdoğan on the unpublished Boğazköy-Tablets (AnAr) which were purchased and deposited at the Ankara Museum. The fragments are small, but interesting in their content. On the same trip, Soysal had the opportunity to visit the Hittite capital Boğazköy again after some twenty-five years.