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archaeological record of the region a unique insight of the mounted archers and their female kin during the turbulent ProtoByzantine period.
