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**AN ELABORATION ON THE SHOUMEN SHISHMAN INSCRIPTION OF STRATKO,  
GRENSON OF THE GREAT EPICERNIUS STRATIMIR**

*(Summary)*

The author of the present paper deals with the widely discussed Shoumen inscription from the 14th century. The observations are based on the recent deciphering of the unknown pieces of the inscription. It turns that contrary to earlier opinions the letter symbol (mark) of “first indication” in the first highly stricken line is evident. In combination with the name of the King Ivan Shishman marked on the monument it is possible to fix probable year of 1393 when it was made. The author presumes that the Bulgarian King probably launched the last attack against the Turks. For a short period of time he recaptured the town of Shoumen which had previously been taken away by force from the invader. In an explicit way the inscription shows that King Ivan Shishman established there “His Kungdom”. In this case this phrase has the meaning of an act of reestablishment of power.