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tēma ša aškunuka la te-mi-ik-ki do not neglect the order I gave you EA 356:33 (Adapa); *u [la i]-mi-ki šarru bēlij[a] [i]štu mātišu* may the king, my lord, not disregard his own country EA 192:16; *lu la te-me-ik-e kīmē ana ardūti ana ša bēlija lu kittu tamaršu[n]u* you must not neglect the fact that for servants loyalty toward my lord is indeed their aim(?) EA 51 r. 11; *ana ekurrāti ša māti ša ta-ma-ku-ú mi-ki-ma ana šāšu la ta-me-ka-a-šú ana É.KUR É.TUR.KALAM.MA* neglect the sanctuaries of the country as much as you wish (lit. which you are neglecting), but do not neglect this one, the temple Eturkamma JSS 4 9 K.6082:15 (SB); *ana minā im-ku-ú* in what respect has he been negligent? AfO 19 52:158; *minā am-ku-ú gil-l[a-...]* K.6628 + Sm. 1896 r. 3, cf. *lām im-ku-ú im-[...]* ibid. 18 (courtesy W. G. Lambert); note *an-gi ... la an-gi* BiOr 30 169 iii 11.

2. II/2 (same mngs.): see *la tu-um-te-k[i]* OBGT XV 32, in lex. section.

3. *šutemkû* (uncert. mng.): RN ... *mu-uš-te-im-ki mātim birit* GN u GN₂ Šamši-Adad, the one who gathers in(?) the land between the Tigris and the Euphrates AOB 1 22 i 5, also Syria 20 98:6 (both Šamši-Adad I); *šarru ... ša ... mātāti napḥaršina kīma qē uš-ta-ti-en-kām-ma* the king who gathers in(?) all the lands like ... STT 40:6 (let. of Gilg.), see AnSt 7 128; [*šumma* GIŠ].ḪUR IGI-*i* ANŠE.ḪAR *ša imitti/šumēli uš-te-en-ki* if the front part(?) of the mark covers(?) the right/left “donkey” of the lung (preceded by *ibir* crosses) KAR 422:29f. (SB ext.).

The forms listed in mng. 3 have no plausible semantic connection with the verb *mekû*. Possibly they represent a quadrilateral *šutēmki/qû* (cf. *šutērsû*).

mekû see *mekkû* C.

mēkû (*mākiu*) adj.; idle; NA*; cf. *mekû* v.

lū.al.gi₄.me.a = *me-ku-um* OBGT XV 21.

x thousand and two hundred, the deficit [*š*]a *ummāni mitūti [u] ma-ki-u-te ša ana ḥarrāni [i]ssenī la illikūni* from the dead and absentees who did not come with us on

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the campaign ABL 1180:26, see Postgate Taxation 295.

mēkûtu s.; lack, want; SB; cf. *makû* v.

lu ina niksi piššu [lu ina ... lu] ina mi-ku-ti ša šābē ša libbi āl[i] (will the city be conquered) by a breach or a mine [or by ... or] because of lack of soldiers within the city? PRT 10:8, cf. [*lu in*]a *bubūti lu ina mi-ku-ti [lu ina danāna lu ina niksi]* Knudtzon Gebete 19:7, also *lu ina mi-ku-ti* ibid. 16:2; uncert.: *nakru āl maššartija ina ME-ku-tū iṣšabbat* the enemy will take my fortified town through ... W. 22307/28:17, cf. *āl maššarti nakri ina ME-ku-tū taṣšabbat* ibid. 18 (courtesy H. Hunger), dupl. Leichty Izbu X 7f., cf. *mātu ina ME-ku-ti iṣšabbat* = *mātu ina me-niš-ti iṣšabbat* the country will be conquered through weakness 2R 47 i 20 (comm.).

The context of the Izbu passage suggests that the word is to be read *šibqūtu*, a by-form of *šibqu* “ruse”; for Küchler Beitr. 2 (pl. 1 i) 14f., *ina ME-ku-ti* (or *šip-ku-ti*) *lēssu tamahḥaṣ ina ME-ku-ti* (or *šip-ku-ti*) *tumaš-šad*su, see *mašādu* mng. 4.

For Sumer 13 71:4 (= Istar hymn C 121) see *makkūru*.

melammu (*melimmu*, *malemumu*) s.; 1. radiance, supernatural awe-inspiring sheen (inherent in things divine and royal), 2. glow of good health; from OB on; Sum. lw.; *malemumu* VAS 10 214 iv 8, *melimmu* in OB lit.; pl. *melammū*; wr. syll. and ME.LÁM; cf. *melammū*.

me.lám = *me-l[am]-mu* Igituh I 100, cf. me.lám = *me-lam-mu* Igituh short version 128; me.lám.lám = *me-lam-m[u]* Lu Excerpt II 101; me.lám^{me-ū-mu}, me.lám^{pu-tu-ūb-tum} Proto-Izi II 141 and 143; me.lám = *mi-[li-im-mu]* Proto-Izi II Bil. Section A iv 7’.

^dUtu me.lám an.na kur.kur.ra bí.dul : *Šamaš me-lam-me šamē mātāti taktum* you, Šamaš, have covered the heavens and all the countries with your sheen OECT 6 p. 52:9f.; me.lám.zu kur.kur.ra sù.sù.me.en : *me-lam-mu-ka mātāti kašú* (see *kašú* A lex. section) BRM 4 8:29; me.lám.ma engur.ra ku₆ mu.ni.ib.šeg₆ : *me-lam-mu-ú-a ina apsim nūni [ušabšal]* (see *apsú* mng. 1a-1’b’) SBH p. 106:66f.; me.lám.zu an.kù.ga šú.a :

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<melammūka> *šamē ellūtim saḥpu* your (the moon god's) sheen covers the pure sky AnBi 12 71:11; *lugal.e u₄ me.lám.bi nir.gál : šarru ūmu ša me-lam-mu-šú etellu* king, storm, whose sheen is outstanding Lugale I 1; used with syn. terms: *ní me.lám.mu ba.e.en.ne.en.dul* (var. *ba.e.ne.en.dul*) : *puluḥti mi-lam-mi-ia iktum[kunūti]* (see *katāmu* lex. section) Lugale X 26, cf. Angim II 23; *ní me.lám An.na an.šà.ta sag.gá.eš mu.un.rig₇.ga : puluḥti me-lam-me Anu ina qereb šamē ana širikti išrukšu* he presented him in heaven with the terror-inspiring sheen of Anu Angim II 11, cf. *ibid.* 9; *ní me.lám an.ginx(GIM) dugud.da.mu.dè sag a.ba mu.un.gá.g[á] : ana puluḥti me-lam-me-ia ša kīma Anu kabtu mannu i'ir* (see *āru* v. lex.section) Angim III 19; [s]u.zi me.lám gūr.ru u₄ al.tar ní.ḥuš.ri.a.bi : *ša puluḥtu mi-lam-mi našū ūmu dāpinu ša rašubbatu ramū* (see *dāpinu* lex. section) 4R 27 No. 4:48ff.; (Nabū) *me.lám ḥuš ní ri : ša me-lam-mi ezziš ramū* Lambert, *Studies Albright* 346:32; *su.zi bí.in.ri me.lám.bi an.mu₄.mu₄ : ša šalummāt ramū libušu me-lam-mi* (see *labāšu* lex. section) 4R 26 No. 3:8f.; *dingir me.lám.a.ni su.lim ba.an.tuk.a : ilu ša me-lam-mu-šu šalummata išū* KAR 101:6, cf. *me.lám nigin ... ní.ḥuš ri.a : mi-lam-me šutashur ... rašubbatu rami* 4R 25 iii 10f.; *gi₆.a me.lám a[...] : mu-šu me-lam-ma-šu [...]* STT 171:73f., cf. 4R 24 No. 1:9f., BA 5 638 No. 7 r. 11f.; for other bil. refs. see mng. 1a-1', 1b, 1c-1', 1d.

me-lam-mu = ša-ru-ru An IX 7; *me-lam-me = pu-ul-ḥu* LTBA 2 2:58; *šá-lum-ma-tú = me-lam-mu* CT 26 40 iv 22, dupl. AfO 19 pl. 32 iii 44 (astrol. comm.), see Weidner *Handbuch* 12.

1. radiance, supernatural awe-inspiring sheen (inherent in things divine and royal) — a) said of deities — 1' in gen.: *ušaššiši ma-li-im-mi rašubbata u qurdam* he (Anu) made her bear awe-inspiring sheen and heroism VAS 10 214 iv 8 (OB Agušaja); *me-li-im-mi warkatam i nište'i* Gilg. O.I. edge 1, cf. *me-li-im-mu iḥalliqu* *ibid.* 11f.; *namrurrū u mi-li-im-mu kamma Istar* Sumer 13 73:12; *girru labiš me-lam-me* fire, garbed in sheen Böllenrucher Nergal 50:9, cf. *labiš namurrati u me-lam-mu* Or. NS 36 118:45; (Istar) *Girru libušat me-lam-me našāta* Streck Asb. 78 ix 80; *Sin bēl mi-lam-me-e* KAR 69:22, see Biggs *Šaziga* 76; *labiš mi-lam-mi ešret ilāni* clad in the splendor of ten gods En. el. I 103; *mi-lam-mu-ka ištene'ū* they look for your (Šamaš') sheen Lambert BWL 126:11; *galtu mi-lam-mu-šu-nu sāḥip ḥursāni*

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whose frightful splendor (referring to the scorpion monsters) covers the mountains Gilg. IX ii 8; the *ušumgallu*-monsters *pulḥāti ušalbišma me-lam-mu uštaššá iliš um-taššil* he clad in terror, made them bear an awesome sheen and changed them (thus) into divine beings En. el. II 24, also III 28 and 86, cf. (Marduk) *naḥlapta ... pulḥāti ḥalipma me-lam-mi rašubbati apir rāšuššu* wrapped in an awe-inspiring cloak, wearing on his head the terrible sheen En. el. IV 58; *mi-lam-me ḥalip labiš pulḥāti* Lambert BWL 48:12 (Ludlul III); *ilu ša me-lám-šu šur-bu-ú namriri za'nu* Hinke Kudurru i 13; [...] *ḥitbušutu mi-lam-[me] asmūtu* BBSt. No. 10:7 (Šamaš-šum-ukin); *galtu me-lam-mu-šu usaḥḥapu nagab zajāri* AfO 18 48 Rm. 142:4; *me-lam-mu-šu ezzūti išḥupuni* ZA 43 17:54, cf. (Adad) *ḥalip me-lam-me ez[zū]ti* Unger Reliefstele 4, also *me.lám.zu šúr.ra : me-la[m-m]i-[k]a ezzūti* ASKT p. 121:10f., see OECT 6p.33; *me.lám ḥuš : me-lam-me ezzūti* 4R 18 No. 3:33f., also BA 5 648 No. 14:5; *me-lam Aššur bēlija išḥupšunūtima* the terror of my lord Aššur overwhelmed them AKA 55 iii 69, also (beside *pulḥu adiru*) AKA 42 ii 38 (Tigl. I), *pulḥi me-[lam]-me ša Aššur* Scheil Tn. II 15, *pulḥi me-lam-me* AKA 273 i 57, and passim in Asn., also Iraq 25 54:42, and passim in Shalm. III, 1R 30 ii 42 and 31 iv 5 (Šamaš-Adad V), Winckler Sar. pl. 27 No. 57:1 (= Weissbach, ZDMG 72 178:14), AfO 14 43 col. B 9, and Borger *Esarh.* 54 iv 37; note: *pulḥi me-lam-me Aššur ... eli* GN *altakan* AKA 362 iii 54 (Asn.); *[me]-lam-mu bēlūtišu* (in broken context) VAB 4 170 viii B 8 (Nbk.); [...] *ME.LÁM ellūti ḥalip namurrāti ša pulḥāti* JAOS 88 125 i a 13; *mušitu kallat Anu našāt* ME.LÁM (var. *me-lam-me*) KAR 38 r. 23, var. from dupl. RA 18 28:4, cf. STT 171:73f., in lex. section; *me-lam-me namriri[i ...]* (in broken context) Cagni Erra IIB 5; [...] *da.ra.aḥ ní.te bí.ib.ri.a : me-lam-me zu'unu ramū pulḥāti* (see *zānu* lex. section) JCS 21 129:34; note *me-lam-mi-šú ušatbi* he removed his sheen Cagni Erra IIIc 50; in personal names (MB only): *GAL-me-lam-ma-šú* Great-Is-His-Terror BE 15 40:3, etc., see Clay PN p. 119f.

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2' with ref. to royal status: *tēdiq bēlūtišu innandiq i-na-áš me-lam-mu* he is garbed in his royal attire, he bears the *m.* SBH p. 145 ii 3; to whom they are giving scepter, throne, and pala-garment ME.LÁM *šarrūti uza'inušuma* KAR 307 r. 24, see TuL p. 36; [me]-lam-me mi[tti] u ušp[ari] En. el. V 154, cf. [ina me-l]am-me šarr[ūtišu] ibid. 97; *ultu me-lam-me šarrūti uza'i[nušu]* En. el. V 101; *ištaḫat ag[āšu] me-lam-mi-šu* (var. *me-lam-mu-šu*) *ibala šú ūtaddiq* he pulled off his (Mummu's) tiara, took away his terror, and put it on himself En. el. I 68; *me-lam-me šarrūtišu galtūti esahḫapkunu adi šā[ri]* ZA 43 18:67.

b) said of demons: á.zág me.lám.bi a.ba šu mi.ni.íb.TU.TU : *asakku me-lam-me* (var. -ma)-šú *mannu imahḫaršu* (see *asakku* A lex. section) Lugale I 43; ^dLamma. sig₆.ga me.lám an.na : *lamassi damqu ša me-lam-mu-šú šaqū* 5R 52 No. 1 i 22; ní.gal mu₄.mu₄ ... [me].lám dul.la : *namriri labiš ... me-lam-mu* (var. -me) *katim* CT 17 3:22f.; *igi.ḫuš.a me.lám zag.kéš.[...]* : *ša pani ezzu me-lam-mu kišsu[ru]* whose face is fierce, who is girt with terror CT 16 25 i 48f.; ní.su.zi u_x (GIŠGAL).lu.gin_x mu.un.da.ri.eš me.lám [dul.la].meš : *puluḫti šalummata kima alē ramū me-lam-mu ka[tmu šu]nu* (see *alū* A lex. section) CT 16 42:12f., restored from 43:38f., see also Lugale I 8, ASKT p. 82-83:4 cited *alū* A lex. section; they (the demons) cannot be recognized in heaven or on earth me.lám dul.la.a.meš : *me-lam-mu katmu šunu* CT 16 44:92f., cf. im.limmú.ba me.lám šú.šú.a.meš : *ana šāri erbetti me-lam-me saḫpu* spreading terror in all directions Šurpu VII 7; *me-lim-ma-šu šadī uštalwi* his sheen surrounds the mountains RA 46 92:80' and 94:2 (OB Epic of Zu); *pulḫi me-lam-me raši* ZA 43 16:48.

c) said of kings — 1' in gen.: *Anu ... ME.LÁM šarrūtim lītiršu* may Anu take the royal sheen from him CH xlii 48; ní.me.lám nam.lugal.la.mu zagan.ki.ke_x(KID) ḫé.en.dul : *puluḫti me-lám šarrūtiya*

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pāt šamē u eršetim lu iktum the awe-inspiring sheen of my royalty covered heaven and earth LIH 98 iv 80 (Sum., coll. W. G. Lambert) = 97 iii 79 (Akk.), also VAS 1 33 iv 2 (Samsuiluna), cf. [ina] *me-lám-mi u nawrātīm* UET 1 146 ii 1; *me-lam-mu birbirrūka zime bēlūtu šalummat šarrūtu ... šūlikki idāja* (see *birbirrū* usage a) VAB 4 260 ii 39 (Nbn.); *bunnanni šarri ... pulḫāta ušalbissu me-lam-mi namriri[u uštašši(?)]* PSBA 20 157 r. 10; *Nusku ... uza'inšu me-lam šarrūti* CT 36 21 i 16 and dupl. RA 11 109 (Nbn.); (precious stones and plants) *nabnūt ḫuršāni ša Ea ana šipir bēlūti šimat* ME.LÁM *rabiš išim-šunūti* products of the mountain regions which Ea had endowed with the quality of being especially well fit to be worked for a ruler Borger Esarh. 83 r. 31; *ša me-lam-mu-šu [...]* KUB 4 25 r. 11.

2' referring to the king's own *m.*: *me-lam gardūtiya useḫhipšunūti* the terror of my heroism overwhelmed them AKA 48 iii 2, cf. (the king) *ša me-lam-mu-šu kibrāti usaḫḫapu* ibid. 33 i 41 (Tigl. I); *eli šarrāni šūt agē iššūni me-lam-me šarrūtiya* they elevated my royal terror above (that of) other crowned heads KAH 2 84:8 (Adn. II); *me-lam bēlūtiya elišunu atbuku* I poured my lordly terror over them AKA 235 r. 30, and passim in Asn.; *issu pan me-lam šarrūtiya iplaḫu* they became afraid of my royal terror ibid. 31, and passim in Asn.; *mi-lam-me ša bēl kibrāt atbuk elišunu* STT 43:43, see Lambert, AnSt 11 150, and passim in Shalm. III, also *me-lam-me bēlūtiya išḫupušuma* WO 1 58 iii 7, *pulḫi me-lam-me eli[šunu] atbuk* Layard 97:185 and 96:159 (both Shalm. III), also 1R 31 iii 69 (Šamši-Adad V); *me-lam-me bēlūtiya u tibi tāḫaziya dannī išḫupušunūtima* 1R 30 iii 7; *puluḫti me-lam-me-ia iktum-šunūti* TCL 3 69, cf. Winekler Sar. pl. 45 D 6, pl. 34 No. 72:111, (with *saḫāpu*) ibid. pl. 45 79-7-8,14 i 4; *pulḫi me-lam-me bēlūtiya išḫupušuma* OIP 2 29 ii 38, also 33 iii 38, 70:30, and passim in Senn.; [pulḫu/puluḫtu Aššur] ... *u me-lam-me bēlūtiya išḫu[pušuma]* Borger Esarh. 110 § 72:10; *puluḫti me-lam-me šarrūtiya iktumušuma* Streck Asb. 8 i 85; *šarru*

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mi-lam-ma-šú iness[išu] as to the king, his glamor will recede from him ACh Supp. Sin 15:9.

d) said of objects and buildings: *giš.tukul ní.me.lám.a.ni kalam.ma [dul.la]* : *kakku ša puluhtu me-lam-me-šú mātu [katmat]* the mace whose fearsome sheen covers the country Angim III 43; *za.pa.ág me.lám.a.ni hu.luḫ.ḫa : ina rigim me-lam-mi-šú galu* upon the sound of whose awesome terror (referring to the kettledrum) CT 16 24 i 25ff., cf. CT 17 5 ii 32f., cf. also Pallis Akitu pl. 6:31; *agú šuātu labiš me-lam-mu* (var. *-me*) *za'in baltu naši šalummātu hitlup namrirri* (see *agú* A mng. 1a-1') Borger Esarh. 83 r. 33; *muštashir me-li-im-mi É.ME.TE.UR.SAG* who surrounded with glamor the temple Emeteursag CH ii 61; the name of the great wall is: *ša me-lam-mu-šu māta katmū* Whose-Splendor-Covers-the-Country WO 1 58 iii 10 (Shalm. III); *balti uzzu puluhti me-lam-mi šarrūti itāišu saḫrama* its (the palace's) sides were surrounded with ferocious pride, the awe-inspiring sheen of kingship VAB 4 118 ii 54; said of temples: *zī[mū] namrūtu me-lam-mu rušš[ātu] simat la tamši[li]* ibid. 182 iii 40, also PBS 15 79 iii 40; *Ekišibba kummašu rabā É me-lam-mi-šu širi* VAB 4 184 iii 77, also PBS 15 79 iii 77; *parakku šú . . . tiqni me-lam-mi ušalbiššu* VAB 4 126 iii 6 (all Nbk.), also ZA 40 290:40 (Ner.).

e) other occs.: *DIŠ MUL SAG.ME.GAR me-lam-mu šakin* if Jupiter has a *m.*-sheen Thompson Rep. 145 r. 1; *imḫur nēšu me-lam-me-šu uš- . . .* (var. *ul-ta- . . .*) KAR 239 ii 7, var. from ZA 16 162:10 (Lamaštu I).

2. glow of good health: *binu lillilanni [maštakal] lipšuranni liddina me-lam-ma-šá* may the tamarisk purify me, may the *maštakal*-plant give me release and endow me with its *m.* AMT 72,1 r. 19, cf. *eršetu limḫuranni liddina mi-lam-ma-šá-ma* (var. *ME.LÁM-šá-ma*) *lumni litbal* KAR 246 r. 15, var. from KAR 267 r. 21, KAR 272 r. 9, etc.; *nāru lip-dan(!)-ni liddina me-lam-mu-[ša]* STT 251:37; *me-lam-me-ia, išdudu* they have taken

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(lit. pulled) away the glow of my health KAR 80 r. 33, dupl. RA 26 41:10.

Oppenheim, JAOS 63 61ff.; Cassin La splendeur divine.

melammū s.; (a sumptuous garment); syn. list*; cf. *melammu*.

me-lam-mu-ú (var. *ma-[lam-mu-ú?]*, *egizaggú = illūku* An VII 190f., var. from Malku VI 98.

For MAOG 1/2 20:22 (= KAR 69, see Biggs Šaziga 76) see *melammu* mng. 1a-1', and compare *e-lam-me-e*, *el-la-mi-e* as epithet of Sin and as a name of a garment, all cited *ella-mé*.

meldītu see *meḫītu*.

mēlelu s.; play; SB*; cf. *mēlulu*.

ebirtu nāri ālu me-le-li on the far bank of the river is the city of play (incipit of a song) KAR 158 vii 30.

Landsberger, WZKM 56 120.

mēlešu s.; joy(?); OB, SB; cf. *elēšu*.

šāt me-le-ši-im ru'āmam labšat she (Ištar) is (the goddess) of joy, she is clothed in loveliness RA 22 170:5, also 7 (OB lit.); *šarrat me-le-ši rašumta* the queen of enjoyment, the mighty(?) one (incipit of a song) KAR 158 ii 15; *[...]ki kuzbu ulšu ù mi-li-šu ul [...]* K.9913:16 (hymn to Ištar); *mātu A. ŠI.ŠI-ša* (gloss: *me-le-ša*) *im[mar]* Thompson Rep. 191:2, cf. *[šar] Akkadī me-le-ša im[mar]* ACh Supp. Ištar 34:13; *[...] me-le-ša* IGI K.15498:4 (courtesy E. Leichty), but *ME.LI IGI K.2226* ii 37'.

melēštu (*mēšeltu*, or *mēseltu*) s.; (a part of the tongue); lex.*

uzu.ma.'la.tum, *uzu.giš.dil*, *uzu.sag.dil*, *uzu.me.dil* = *me-liš-tu* (var. *mi-šil-tum*) Hh. XV 75.

For UM 12 7 r. ii 4 (= Hh. XV 31b), see *ma'latu*.

melimmu see *melammu*.

mēlittu (*mēlītu*) s.; (mng. uncert.); Mari; pl. *mēlētu*; cf. *elú* v.

[...] = me-lit-tum (followed by *šá* GIŠ.GIGIR of the chariot, *šá a-ga*(or *-bi*)-ŠI, *šá* GIŠ.I+LU of the