

**kāpu B**

I went to the country Nairi *ina rēš ēni ša Idiglat salam šarrūtija ina* (var. adds KUR) *ka-a-pi ša šadē ina sīt nagabbiša abni* and made a royal stela of mine at the source of the Tigris in the mountain cliff where it (the river) comes out in full strength WO 1 468:35, var. from BA 6 148:103, cf. *ina ka-a-pi ša šadē ušēziz* WO 2 36:28; I cut off the heads of his warriors, dyed the mountain with the blood of his soldiers *ma'dūtišu ana ka-a-pi ša šadē ittanaqtuni* many of them hurled themselves off the cliffs of the mountain 3R 8 ii 73 (all Shalm. III).

**b)** described as *ša nāri*: *alka nāru qerba nāru ka-pa-a-ni ša nāri [li]qtarrubani* come, river, come near, river, let the cliffs of the river bank come near me KAR 134 r. 8, see TuL p. 99; *šumma ālu tupkinnas̪u kīma ka-a-pi nāri ú-kal* if the corner of the wall of a city looks (lit. holds) like the cliffs of a river bank CT 38 2:43 (SB Alu).

**c)** other occs.: I went to the sources of the Tigris and the Euphrates *salam šarrūtija ina ka-pí-ši-na ulziz* and erected my royal stela(s) at their gorges WO 2 152:93 (Shalm. III); difficult: *kīma ka-a-pi*(var. -*bi*) *ana abātija* like a cliff to destroy me Maqlu II 163, *kīma ka-a-pi abbassunūti* I will destroy them like a cliff ibid. 174; uncert.: *iku palgu quppu kap-pu* JNES 15 134:63 (*lipšur-lit.*); Ú MUŠ *ka-a-pi* cliff-snake plant STT 94:26'.

**kāpu B** s.; (mng. uncert.); OB (in personal names only).

*A-hi-ka-pi* YOS 8 64:18, *Ka-ab-tu-ka-a-pí* UET 5 688:8, 12, *Ka-pi-ia-lum* ibid. 626:11, 702 r. 5.

**kāpu A** v.; to oppress; SB\*; cf. *kāipu*.

*dullulu, ka-a-pu = ḥa-ba-lu* Malku IV 134f.

DINGIR LÚ *i-kap ka-a-pú ḥa-ba-lum* the god will oppress the man, (from) *kāpu* (meaning:) *ḥabālu* CT 20 26:11 (ext. with comm.).

**kāpu B** v.; to bend(?); SB.\*

*kakku ana libbišu i-kap* (if) the “weapon” bends(?) toward its inside TCL 6 3 r. 16, also CT 20 15 K.6237 i 31 (both ext.).

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Possibly to be connected with *kepū* as a variant form.

**kāpu C** v.; (mng. and reading uncert.); lex.\*

ùr = *ka-a-pu*(var. -*rum*) 5R 16 i 39 and dupl. Rm. 2, 585 in ASKT p. 198.

**kaqqadu** (head) see *qaqqadu*.

**kaqqaru** (earth) see *qaqqaru*.

**karābu** s.; 1. prayer, 2. blessing; from OA, MB on; wr. syll. and AMAR×ŠE(.AMAR×ŠE), A.RA.ZU; cf. *karābu* v.

1. prayer — **a)** in gen.: *tašemme Šamaš sulā suppā u ka-ra-bi*(var. -*bu*) you, Šamaš, listen to demands, supplication and prayers Lambert BWL 134:130; *ka-ra-bi kīma mahrimma ana Anu ikarrab* he pronounces the same prayer to Anu as before BRM 4 7:19, and passim in this text, see Thureau-Dangin, RA 20 108.

**b)** in names of gods: *Iš-me-kā-ra-áb* Belleten 14 174f.:26 (OA); <sup>d</sup>*Iš-me-ka-ra-bu* Frankena Tākultu p. 94 No. 91; <sup>d</sup>*Iš-me-ka-ra-ab* MDP 6 23:5, and passim in texts from Elam, also, wr. *Iš-ni-ka-ra-ab* MDP 18 251:2; <sup>d</sup>*Ši-tamme-ka-ra-bu* Frankena Tākultu p. 114 No. 218.

**c)** in personal names (from MB on): *Sin-kára-bi-iš-[me]* BE 14 7:23, and passim in MB, note *Nusku-A.RA.ZU-GIŠ.TUK* Iraq 11 132 No. 2:5; *Sin-AMAR×ŠE.AMAR×ŠE-iš-mi* Nbk. 136:10, and passim in NB and NA, also *Sin-kāra-bi-i-ši-me* Nbn. 534:24, and passim in NB; in NB Uruk: *Nanā-AMAR×ŠE* GCCI 2 21:10, and passim, note the abbr. *Ka-ra-bi-iš-mi* AnOr 9 3 r. 60.

2. blessing: *Šamaš u Ištar [ana] ahija ka-ra-ba ra[bb̄] hidúta banī[ta] liddinuniššu* may Šamaš and Adad give my brother great blessings and pure joy EA 21:19 (let. of Tušratta); today is a day of mourning *ka-ra-a-bu la ašpura* (so) I did not include any blessing (in my letter) ABL 407:6 (NA); uncert.: *ina amat ili kar-ab-šú* Dream-book 327:77.

**karābu** v.; 1. to pronounce formulas of blessing (said of gods and divine powers and manifestations), 2. to pronounce formulas of praise, adoration, homage and greeting,

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3. to invoke blessings upon other persons (for a specific purpose) before the images of the gods, to pray to the gods, 4. to make the gesture of adoration or greeting, 5. to dedicate an offering by pronouncing the relevant formulas, 6. *kurrubu* (same mng. as mng. 2 but pl.), 7. IV (passive to mng. 1); from OAk. on; I *ikrub* — *ikarrab*, I/2 (see mng. 2a–1'), I/3 (see mngs. 2, 3, 5a), II, IV; wr. syll. and ŠUD<sub>x</sub>(KA×ŠU); cf. *ikribu*, *karābu*, *karibtu*, *kāribu*, *karūbu*, *kirbu*, *kiribtu*, *kurbu*, *kurību*.

si-is-kur AMAR×ŠE = *ka-ra-bu* A VIII/1:42; si-is-kur AMAR×ŠE.AMAR×ŠE = *ka-ra-bu* Diri II 5, also Proto-Diri 76a; AMAR×ŠE.AMAR×ŠE = *ka-ra-bu* Igihu short version 81.

me ME = *ka-ra-bu-um* MSL 2 p. 129 iii 17 (Proto-Ea); [me] = *ka-ra-bu* Izi E 9; gu-uz LUM = *ka-ra-bu* A V/1:36, gu-um LUM = *ka-ra-bu* ibid. 50, gu-un LUM = *ka-ra-bu* ibid. 53, gu-ud LUM = *ka-ra-bu* ibid. 56; [du-ú] [KA] = *ka-ra-bu* A III/2:135; [ú] [HU.SI] = *ka-ra-bu* ša [ú] A II/6 C 36.

[si-is-kur] [AMAR×ŠE.AMAR×ŠE] = *ki-tar-ru-bu* Proto-Diri Amarna 9, see Or. NS 16 18.

za.e sila zi.da šu mi.ni.ib.mú.mú : kāši sull̄ kitti i-kar-rab-ki the “just road” praises you Delitzsch AL<sup>3</sup> 134:7f., dupl. SBH p. 98; <sup>d</sup>Lama. <sup>d</sup>Lama maš.su.ga.kex nam.ti.la.ni.šè šu àm.mú.mú.àm : <sup>d</sup>La-ma-sà-at mēš-re-e ša a-na ba-la-ti-šu i-kar-ra-bu BA 6/3 p. 47:3 and 12; [DN DN<sub>2</sub>.bi] húl.le.eš šud<sub>x</sub>.dè ša.mu.ra.da. an.mú.mú : [Anu] Enlil hadiš i-kar-ra-bu-ka 4R 17:13f., cf. šu.mú : [...], šu in.da.an.mú : [...] Ai. II ii 1f.

dingir ár.ak.en ù lugal.ra ba.an.na.ab. bē : *ila tana’ad ana šarri ta-kar-rab* praise the god, do homage to the king Lambert BWL 229 iv 26; giš.ig.an.na.ke<sub>x</sub>(KID) šud<sub>x</sub> hu.mu.ra. ab.bé : *datat šamē lik-ru-ba-a-kum* Abel-Winckler p. 59:5f.

ama šud<sub>x</sub>.dè é.a ér.ra : *ina ummātiša i-kar-rab ana biti <ibakki>* SBH p. 140:163f.; šud<sub>x</sub>.dè nam.ti.la.ke<sub>x</sub> mu.un.na.an.šud<sub>x</sub> : *ik-ri-bi balātu i-kār-rab-šú* CT 17 33:14f.; DN šud<sub>x</sub> DN<sub>2</sub> : DN *ka-rib(!)* DN<sub>2</sub> PBS 1/2 115:83f., see ArOr 21 394; šu.è.ba : *ik-ru-b[u]* ZA 29 199 r. 26, cf. šu bí.in.è.ba : *ik-ru-[bu]* ibid. 27.

siskur.bi.ne.ne èm i.bí nu.un.bar.ra : *kit-ru-ba-áš-šú šūt la mahra* 4R 20:23f.

SAR-du-u = *ka-ra-bu* Malku V 67.

KA.TA SU.UB = *ka-ra-bu*, na-šá-qu 2R 47 K.4387 iii 32f. (unidentified commentary).

1. to pronounce formulas of blessing (said of gods and divine powers and manifestations) — a) in gen.: DN *ana epēšika annim li-ik-*

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*ru-ub* may Marduk give his blessing to this undertaking of yours CT 2 11:24, cf. *Marduk ša i-ka-ra-ba-ki* VAS 16 1:35, (the gods) *ša ana abija i-ka-ar-ra-bu* CT 2 12:31 (all OB letters); *ina pīka ellu ša DN u DN<sub>2</sub> i-kar-ra-bu-uš* through your pure mouth which Šamaš and Marduk bless ABL 852 r. 13 (NB); Tašmētu is taking up her seat [a]na šarri bēlīja [lu] *tak-ru-ub* she has blessed the king, my lord (and given him long life, etc.) ABL 858 r. 2, cf. *Sin ... ina šubtišu ittušib ana šarri ... ik-tar-ba* ABL 134 r. 7, cf. also ABL 23 r. 8 (all NA), note *ilāni rabūti ... ana šarri ... lik-tar-ra-bu* ABL 274:10 (NB), also Aššur Šamaš *ik-tar-bu-ka* ABL 442 r. 6 (NA); *Anu u Antu ina šamē lik-ru-bu-šu* may Anu and Antu pronounce blessings upon him in heaven 5R 33 vii 36 (Agum-kakrime); *kur-ba ana URU Aššur MIN ana KUR Aššur MIN ana šarri bēlini* bless the city of Assur, bless Assyria, bless the king our lord 3R 66 viii 10ff., see Frankena Tākultu p. 7, cf. *lik-ru-bu ana URU Aššur lik-ru-bu ana KUR Aššur* ibid. vii 39f., and passim; *ta-ak-ru-ub-[šu]* (referring to Babylon) MIO 12 49 r. 4 (OB lit.); *ilāni āšibūtu ša šamē u eršeti li-ik-ta-ra-bu bit Sin* VAB 4 224 ii 31 (Nbn.), cf. *ilāni ... RN ik-tar-ra-bu-ma* ZDMG 98 37:7 (Sar.); *Etemenanki ana šarri muddišika ku-ru-ub* bless, O temple Etemenanki, the king who renewed you VAB 4 64 iii 53 (Nabopolassar), cf. ibid. 148 iv 27 (NbK.); *ana epēšti[ja] Marduk ... ana jāti RN ... damqiš ik-ru-ub-ma* 5R 35:27 (Cyr.); *ilput pūtnima izzaz ina birinni i-kar-ra-ban-na-ši* he (Enlil) touched our foreheads standing between us, blessing us (quote of Enlil’s blessing follows) Gilg. XI 192; *ilū ša kiššati lik-ru-bu-ki* BMS 8:19, see Ebeling Handerhebung 62:38, and passim in these prayers, cf. *ilū ša māti lik-ru-bu-ka* KAR 246:14 and dupls., also *Anunnaki ina māhāzišunu i-kar-ra-bu-ka* KAR 59 r. 2 and dupls.; *Bēl i-kar-rab-ku* RAcc. 145:445; *ša ta-ru-ri attima ta-kar-ra-bi* you yourself bless him whom you have cursed 79-7-8,50:24 (SB lit.); *kur-bi ana šarri ... šabit qanniki* pronounce (Ištar) blessings over the king who holds the hem of your garment Craig ABRT 1 54 iv 18, cf. *ku-ru-ub*

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*Aššur-bān-[aplī]* KAR 122 r. 14, cf. also *kurba-an-ni* . . . *la-ak-ru-ub-ki* ibid. 13f., also *kit-ra-bi* (addressing Ištar) KAR 334:7 and r. 2 (prayer of Asn. I), cf. also *Marduk ku-ru-ub tamannu* AMT 34,2:14, and passim addressing deities in SB prayers, seal inscrs., etc.; *ana [Sin u Šamaš] lik-ru-ub Sin u Šamaš ana amēli šuātu ŠUD<sub>x</sub>-šu* if he pronounces formulas of adoration to Sin and Šamaš, Sin and Šamaš will pronounce formulas of blessings on that man KAR 178 iii 45, and passim in hemer.; *ilāni mithāriš i-kar-ra-bu ana šarri* all the gods will pronounce blessings on the king CT 20 49 r. 39 (SB ext.); *ka-ra-ab ili irašši* he will experience a blessing of the deity STT 330:10 (astrol.); *Aššur šarrūssu ku-ru-ub O Aššur bless his kingship* Craig ABRT 1 9:5, cf. *ilāni . . . i-kar-ra-[bu] ana šarrūtija* VAB 4 182 iii 25 (Nbk.); *ina kunnū libbišunu lik-tar-ra-bu šarrūtu* Borger Esarh. 26 Ep. 39:5, and passim in Esarh.; *ki-tar-ra-ba šarrūtī* ZA 36 204:16 (Asb. colophon); *li-ik-ta-ar-ra-bu ana šarrūtija* VAB 4 172 B viii 25 (Nbk.); note in lit.: *ana dārīš ik-ta-nar-ra-bi šarrūssu* CT 46 45 v 19, see Lambert, Iraq 27 7; *ilāni ša kiššati lik-tar-ra-bu malkūtka* AMT 72,1:32, *[ilāni ra]būti . . . lik-tar-ra-bu šarrūtī* 4R 55 No. 2 r. 4; *pīja amme'u . . . ik-ta-nar-rab-ka ina puḥur ilāni rabūti* this my mouth will constantly invoke blessings upon you in the assembly of the great gods Craig ABRT 1 6:26; note *ša* DN DN<sub>2</sub> . . . ŠUD<sub>x</sub> *šangūssu* Weidner Tn. 54 No. 60:4 (Aššur-rēš-iši I); *ilāni rabūti ik-ru-bu kakkeja* the great gods pronounced blessings over my weapons OECT 6 pl. 11 K.1290 r. 13; with *ikribu*: *Aššur . . . ik-rib ūmē rūqūti ik-ru-ba-ni-ma* Aššur pronounced a blessing for a long life for me Borger Esarh. 6 vii 23, cf. *ik-ri-bi damiqtu ku-úr-ba* OECT 1 pl. 28 iii 49 (Nbn.); with *kiribtu*: *ana jáši . . . ki-rib-ta tābta lik-ru-bu-ni-ma* AKA 103 viii 35 (Tigl. I); note with ref. to specific ritual acts: *lilissi . . . ina mūši annī ina mahar Marduk iššakkan ana šarri . . . i-kar-rab* this night the kettledrum will be placed before Marduk and it (then) will bless the king ABL 625 r. 3, cf. *eršahunga . . . nippaš ana šarri* [...] *i-kar-[rab]* ABL 667:17 (both NA).

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b) in the blessing formulas of NA and NB letters: DN *u* DN<sub>2</sub> *ana šarri bēlija lik-ru-bu* ABL 1:5, and passim in ABL, also Iraq 17 134 No. 16:7, (with added *addanniš addanniš*) ABL 2:5, and passim, note the exceptional: *Nabū u Marduk ana bēlija šanāte ma'dāte lik-ru-bu* ABL 223:5, (at the end of a report) ABL 1428 r. 3 (all NA), and passim; DN *u* DN<sub>2</sub> *ana šarri lik-ru-bu* Iraq 17 134:7, and passim in Nimrud letters; DN *u* DN<sub>2</sub> *ana ahheja lik-ru-bu* CT 22 13:5, and passim in NB letters.

c) in personal names: for names of the type *Ikrub-DN* see Stamm Namengebung 192, cf. also *Kur-ba-an-ni<sup>d</sup>Marduk* Nbk. 408:1, and passim in NB, note: *Kur-ba-an-ni* MDP 23 286:23 (OB), and passim; for *Kur-ub-up-pu-ulti* Bless-My-Late-Born-Child PSBA 29 pl. 1:3, see Stamm Namengebung 158, for *I-šar-kurba-aš* He-Is-Legitimate-Bless-Him see MAD 3 p. 150 and Stamm Namengebung 122.

2. to pronounce formulas of praise, adoration, homage and greeting — a) directed to gods — 1' in gen.: *i-kā-[ru]-bu-ma DINGIR ik-[ri]-bi-šu-nu i-ša-me-[m]a warham ana warhim ipaqqissunu* they (the two votive pots, one of which bears the inscription) will pronounce praise, and the god will hear their prayer, and will provide for them month after month Assur 4062:12; *ilam ku-ru-ub* TIM 2 129:21 (OB let.); *ihdū ik-ru-bu Marduk:ma šarru* they (the gods) rejoiced, did homage (declaring): Marduk is king En. el. IV 28; *ana Gula lik-ru-bu kališ kibrāti* let all the quarters of the world do homage to Gula KAR 73:24, dupl., with *lik-tar-ra-ba* AMT 62,1 iii 8; *arḥu u šattu lik-tar-ra-bu Esagila širi arrubē Marduk libittašu lik-tar-rab* let every month of the year praise sublime Esagila, let its brickwork forever praise the noble Marduk Pinches Texts in Bab. Wedge-writing 15 No. 4:5f.; *tubukkūa lik-ru-bu-ka* JRAS Cent. Supp. pl. 3r.7; let the evil (predicted by the malformed animal) leave my body *ūmi[šamma] lu-uk-tar-rab-ka* and I will praise you every day LKA 114:21, and passim in namburbis; <sup>d</sup>*Nūru ana Marduk kur-bu* worship Marduk, O divine lamp (parallel: *gerrū ana DN dummiq*) KAR 58:1; *šumma*

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*ana ili i-kar-rab ila irašši* if he always worships the deity he will be lucky ZA 43 94:66', cf. *ana [Sin] u Šamaš lik-ru-ub* (see above mng. 1a–2'a') KAR 178 iii 45 (hemer.); *ullâ šaruhtu kit-ra-ba gaširtu* extol the mighty lady, praise the powerful one BA 5 628 No. 4 iv 15 (= Craig ABRT 1 54), cf. *kit-ra-ba-ši šaši* AfO 19 54:219; *ūmišamma ilka kit-rab* give praise every day to your god Lambert BWL 104:135; *la mena tenešeti ki-ta-ra-ba [...]* you, countless mankind, give all praise [to Nisaba] ibid. 172:18.

2' in personal names: for personal names of the type *Kurub-DN* and *DN-kurub* see Stamm Namengebung 204, see also MAD 3 149f.; *A-na-Ē-a-ku-ru-ub* TCL 10 4A:2 (OB); note *A-ka-ra-ab-DN* HS '91':3, cited AHw. 445b s.v.

b) directed to kings: *kurgarrú ana šarri i-kar-rab lumnu ippat̄tar* the *kurgarrú* does homage to the king and (then) the evil portent vanishes CT 4 5:10, cf. *unašša-šuma i-kar-ra-[bu-šu]* Pallis Akītu pl. 6:26 (= CT 15 44), also [*uš]ašši-šepukka iqbi ik-ru-bu šu [...]* Craig ABRT 1 29:11 (= ZA 4 230); the Manneans *mahar Aššur u ilāni mātišunu ik-ru-bu šarrūti* did homage to me as king in the presence of (the images of) Aššur and their own gods TCL 3 63 (Sar.); they brought me into the palace *ušašši-šepāja ik-ta-na-ar-ra-bu šarrūti* began to kiss my feet and did homage to me as king VAB 4 276 v 6 (Nbn.), and see Lambert BWL 229, in lex. section; I entered Babylon, the Babylonians received us in a friendly way *ūmussu šarra i-kar-ra-bi* and they daily praise the king ABL 418:14 (NB); from Sippar to the lagoon *rāšāni ša Kaldu šarra i-kar-ra-bu* the chieftains of Chaldea praise the king (as follows) ibid. r. 7; *šarru bēl-ni ni-ik-ru-ub* ABL 2 r. 13, cf. *ša ... kajamānu ana šarri bēl-ja [a-ka]r-ra-bu-u-ni* ABL 216 r. 14, LUGAL *ni-ik-ta-rab* ABL 533:13 (coll. W. G. Lambert) (all NA); *ina pani DN u DN<sub>2</sub> ana šar mātāti bēl-ni nik-ta-rab* YOS 3 7:18 (NB); *ūmussu ik-r[i-bi a-na] šar mātāte bēl a-kar-rab* ABL 1047 r. 5 (NB), and passim in ABL, note *ik-ri-bi ana šarri bēl-ja ak-tar-ba* ABL 435:13 (NA); *mamma ana šarri bēl-ni ik-ta-*

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*nar-ra-bu* ABL 886:11 (NB); *tābiš ik-ta-arra-bu-šu ištamaru zikiršu* 5R 35:19 (Cyr.); difficult: all of Uruk will be happy *u kīma šumika damqa i-kar-ra-bu-kum* and praise you befitting your good name Bagh. Mitt. 2 58 iii 20 (OB let.); *kāribāti ša ... i-ka-ar-ra-ba-[šu]* the women who praise him MDP 4 p. 167:1f., see MDP 2 p. 122:2, cf. I named the palaces *ka-ri-ba šarri* Rost Tigl. III p. 76:34; *pālih Nabū u Marduk ka-rib šarri bēlišu* one who worships DN and DN<sub>2</sub> and pays homage to his lord the king BBSt. No. 34:3; PN *šakin māti Māt Tāmi* PN<sub>2</sub> ARAD *ka-rib-šu irīmu* (a field that) PN, governor of the Sea Country, granted to PN<sub>2</sub>, his devoted servant BBSt. No. 11 i 9 (NB), cf. ibid. No. 1 i 10 (MB), cf. also (in letters) *uradka* PN *ka-ri-ib šarri bēlišu* ABL 216:6 and r. 11, *uradka* PN *[ka]-rib-ka* ABL 10:3, 979:3, 1092:3, 1171:3, 1384:3 (all NA), note also *ka-ri-bu ša bēlija anāku* ABL 498 r. 1, 844 r. 11 (both NB); *anāku ka-ri-ib šarri bēlija* ABL 435 r. 1 (NA); *lišbi pī niši ka-rib šarri* may the one who pays homage to the king have his fill of (praise in) the mouth of the people RA 16 126 top.

c) to greet (referring to private persons): [LÚ] *ana LÚ i-kar-rab* CT 40 5:27 (SB Alu), cf. *šumma ērib bit amēli i-kar-ra-bu* if those who enter a man's house utter greeting formulas ibid. 35; they moved toward Babylon adi RN ... *ana ahāmeš ik-ru-bu-ma pubur-šunu innendu* until they exchanged greetings with Šūzubu and their forces became united OIP 2 43 v 55 (Senn.); [*šib]ūtum i-ka-ra-bu-šu [milik] harrāni imalliku Gilgāmeš* the aldermen bid him godspeed and give Gilgāmeš advice concerning the journey (direct speech follows) Gilg. Y. vi 248; if a man dreams that he descended into the nether world BE.MEŠ ŠUD<sub>x</sub>.MEŠ-šū and the dead greet him Dreambook 327:78, cf. BE ŠUD<sub>x</sub>.šū ibid. 328:82, also [BE].MEŠ *ik-ru-bu-šu* MDP 14 p. 58 r. ii 11 (dream omens); [*DN eru]mma lik-ru-[bak-ka] bābu* enter DN, may the gate welcome you STT 28 i 19', see Gurney, AnSt 10 108 (Nergal and Ereškigal); with the nuance "to bless": *ša izzurušu i-kar(!)-rab(!)-šu* the one who cursed him will bless him Bab. 4 104:3 (coll.); *šābaka*

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*šallatam šūkilma u li-ik-ru-bu-ni-kum* let your soldiers take booty and they will all bless you ARM 5 16:13.

3. to invoke blessings upon other persons (for a specific purpose) before (*ina mahar, mahar, ina pani, pan, ana*) the images of the gods, to pray to the gods — a) to invoke blessings — 1' accompanied by cultic acts: *niq'am mahar ilika iqīma ku-ru-ba-am* make a libation before your god and invoke blessings upon me CCT 4 6f:11 (OA), see Hirsch Untersuchungen n. 329; come, spirits who have no one to care for you *ana Ammisaduqa ... ku-ur-ba* JCS 20 97:43; *ana Ebabbari lišēlīma li-ik-ru-ba-am* he should bring (the provisions) into Ebabbar and invoke blessings upon me Boyer Contribution No. 107:17; *kurummattam ana Sin rā'imika luš-kumma mahar Sin lu-uk-ru-ba-ak-ku* let me place a food offering before Sin who loves you and invoke blessings upon you before Sin PBS 7 120:12; *mahar bēlīja u bēltīja qātāja masiama ak-ta-na-ra-ba-ku* I keep invoking blessings upon you with washed hands before my Lord and my Lady PBS 7 60:28, cf. *ūmišam ina nūri mahar Šarrat* GN *ak-ta-na-ra-ba-ak-kum* ibid. 106:17, also *ūmišam ina Esagila ak-ta-na-ra-ba-ak-kum* CT 4 12a:10 (all OB); *niq'e ša šulme ina mahar Sin eppaš ana šarri ... a-kar-rab* I will make a sacrifice for (the king's) health before Sin and invoke blessings upon the king ABL 514 r. 17, cf. *eršabunga ina muhhi innippaš ana šarri ... i-kar-ru-bu* ABL 29 r. 6 (both NA); *ana šarri zērišu kur-bi* bless (addressing the woman participating in the ritual) the king (and) his offspring ZA 45 46:51 (NA rit.); see also *ikribu* mng. 1a.

2' other occs. (mostly in private letters): *mahar Aššur u ilīja a-kā-ra-ba-kum* KTS 30:18, 31a:9, and passim in OA, cf., with *a-kā-ra-ba-ku-nu-ti* ICK 1 189 left side 2, cf. also IGI *Aššur [...] lá-ak-ru-b[a-kum]* Chantre 12:10, also Hecker Giessen 39:18, *mahar Aššur li-ik-ru-bu-ni-kum* AAA 1 pl. 23 No. 6:13, cf. also BIN 6 64:45; *ištēn atta ilī tukultī u bāštī ... kur-ba-ma ēn Aššur u ēnīka lāmur* you are unique, (you are) my god, my trust, my

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angel, bless me so that I see Aššur and you face to face KTS 15:43, see Hirsch Untersuchungen p. 15 (all OA); *bēlī annam īpulannima mahar DN u DN<sub>2</sub> ana bēlīja ak-ru-ub* my lord consented and so I invoked blessings on my lord before Šamaš and Marduk Kraus AbB 1 128:13, cf. *mahar DN u DN<sub>2</sub> lu-uk-ru-ub-ku-um* PBS 7 27:23, cf. ARM 10 92:23, *mahar DN u DN<sub>2</sub> ana bēlini kāta i ni-ik-ru-ub* CT 4 2:71, cf. also CT 2 12:35, PBS 7 78:21, 119:26; *ina mahar DN ... li-ik-ru-ba-am* CH xli 47, cf. (also with *ina mahar*) Kraus AbB 1 119:13'; *muhurma mahar Šamaš li-ik-ru-bu-ni-kum* VAS 16 32:17, cf. (without ref. to a deity) TCL 1 26:22; 2 ŠE.GUR *luł-qēma ana bēlīja lu-uk-ru-ub* should I get (these) two gur of barley I would invoke blessings upon my lord PBS 7 104:12; *mahar bēlikī ku-ur-bi-ma [ašš]umiki lu šalmāku* invoke blessings (upon me) before your Lady so that I may stay well through you Kraus AbB 1 31 r. 20, also TLB 4 60:17, cf. *ku-ur-ba-a[m]* TCL 1 19:23, 20:22; *mahar Šamaš ana balātīka mūšam u urram ak-ta-na-ra-ab* Kraus AbB 1 116:8', *ina mahar Šamaš u Marduk ik-ta-ra-ba-kum* TCL 17 29:31, *mahar bēlīja u bēltīja ana balātīka ak-ta-na-ra-ab* PBS 7 105:15, also ibid. 106:10, cf. ARM 10 37:10, also *ak(!)-ta-na-ar-ra-ba-ak* UCP 9 339 No. 14:32, and passim, also *ana abija kāta lu-uk-ta-ar-ra-ab* Kraus AbB 1 15:29, *mūšam u kašātam mahar Šamaš u Marduk lu-uk-ta-ar-ra-ba-ak-kum* TLB 4 22:11; *ana DN u DN<sub>2</sub> ak-ta-na-ra-ba-kum* ARM 10 1:6; *ik-ri-ib ak-ta-na-ar-ra-bu mahar bēlīja u bēltīja ana abija kāta li-ib-ba-šu-ú* may the blessings I constantly invoke upon you, my father, remain in effect before my lord and my lady Kraus AbB 1 61:11 (all OB); *ikribi annūti ša šarru ... ana ardišu ... išpuruni u ik-ru-bu-u-ni* those blessings which the king has invoked in his letter to his servant ABL 9:18 (NA).

b) to pray to the gods: *ana DN ... RN ... ik-ru-ub-ma ikribišu DN išmēma* Speleers Recueil 4:8, see Jacobsen, AJSL 44 262:32 (Anum-muttabbil of Dēr); *utenennen ik-t[a-na-r]a-ba-šu* RB 59 str. VII 1 (OB lit.), see von Soden,

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Or. NS 26 316; *mimma la tanassus ana balātikama ku-ru-ub* do not despair, pray for your recovery TCL 17 61:29 (OB let.); I established the best for the inhabitants of Sippar *ana balātija lu i-ka-ar-ra-ba* and they indeed pray constantly for my well-being JNES 7 270 ii 25 (Hammurapi); *šūt ik-tar-ra-ba ikribišina tamtaħħar* you always receive graciously the prayers of those who assiduously pray to you Lambert BWL 136:164 (hymn to Šamaš); *ašši rēšija ana Sin a-kar-rab* I lifted my head to pray to Sin (parallel: *illiku suppā*) Gilg. IX i 10; *ana ilika u ištarika u nūri ta-kar-rab-ma SILIM.MA* you address a prayer to your personal god and goddess and to the lamp (of Nusku) and you will get well Dream-book 343 79–7–8,77 r. 17'; *amēlu ana ramanišu la i-kar-rab* (on that day) the man should not pray for himself KAR 178 iii 44, and passim in this phrase in hemers.; SILA *Ku-ru-ub-liš-me-e* Street (named) Pray-so-that-He-Hears(-It) Unger Babylon p. 236:11 (pl. 48), also ibid. 233:7, 234:7; *ina suppē šukēni ak-tanar-rab-ku-nu-ši* STT 73:111, see JNES 19 35; [šumma] *amēlu ana ili i-kar-rab-ma egirrū arhiš itanappalšu* if a man prays to (his) god and a chance utterance keeps answering him promptly CT 39 40:48, cf. (in same context) *šumma šarru ana ilāni i-kar-rab-ma* CT 40 9 Sm. 772 r. 25 (SB Alu); I wrote my achievements on my statue, [he who reads it] *ana muħħija li-ik-ta-na-[ra-ab]* may keep praying for me Smith Idrimi 104; *šūt jāši tak-tar-ba arkū lik-ta-rab-ka kāša* just as you (the reader of this stela) are blessing me, so will a future (king) bless you Gurney, AnSt 5 108:175 (Cuthean Legend), cf. *ul ak(var. ik)-ta-rab-šú* ibid. 98:30.

4. to make the gesture of adoration or greeting — a) in descriptions of figural representations: see BA 6/3 47:12, in lex. section; in front of the image of Amurru *ṣalam bēlīja ka-ri-bu* the representation of my lord in the attitude of paying homage Syria 19 125 (excerpt from a Mari let.); *ṣalam RN ... ŠU<sup>II</sup> imittišu ka-ri-bat* a statue of Argisti with his right hand in the gesture of

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adoration TCL 3 402, cf. *ina imittišu i-kar-rab* (said of a figurine) KAR 298:38, and cf. *ina imittiša i-kar-rab* MIO 1 72 iii 45' and 80 vi 7 (description of representations).

b) other occs.: *jāti arda pālihka kur-banni-i-ma lašūta abšānka* make a welcoming sign for me (Ardys), your obedient servant, so that I may pull the yoke of you(r chariot) Streck Asb. 22 ii 125; *kīma ik-ta-rab iturra ana bāb šeħħi ... i-kar-rab* as soon as he has made the prayer gesture he turns back and makes the gesture toward the “censer gate” AfO 13 211:25f.; 3-šū *ana Esagila i-kar-rab dalāti ipetti* three times he raises his hand toward Esagila, (then) opens the doors RAcc. 136:275; *šangū ana bēl niqē i-kar-rab ma-a* the priest addresses the person who brought the sacrificial animal with a gesture of blessing (and says) as follows KAR 139:10 cf. (in same context) ibid. r. 2; when PN came before the mayor he held the neck of the goat with his left hand *ultu imittašu i-kar-rab-ka ana ħazanni Enlil u Nippur lik-ru-bu ana ħazanni* (he said) while lifting his right hand in greeting to the mayor: may Enlil and the city of Nippur bless the mayor! STT 38:36f., see AnSt 6 152; *ik-ru-ub mahar-šun* (Gilgāmeš) made the gesture of greeting before them (the scorpionmen) Gilg. IX ii 12; note the atypical: *ú-ba-nu-um i-kar-rabu* (var. *i-kar-rab*) *arkini* JCS 8 92:7 (Gilg. VIII).

5. to dedicate an offering by pronouncing the relevant formulas — a) in gen.: please do not forget *ik-ri-ba-am ša ana DN ta-akru-bu-ni* the offering which you have vowed to Tašmētu TCL 19 35:17 (OA), cf. Photograph Assur 4062, cited *ikribu* mng. 3, cf. also x silver *ik-ri-bu ana balāti* PN *ša* PN<sub>2</sub> *ik-ru-bu* RA 13 128:5 (OB); 15 šE of silver for PN *ša ina Uruk ana PN<sub>2</sub> u PN<sub>3</sub>* *ik-ta-na-ra-bu* TCL 10 100:30, cf. (a silver object) *ša PN ana DN ... ik-ru-bu-ma* which PN gave as votive offering to the River-god of Gardi ibid. 109:6 (OB); *šamšam u šewirī ak-ru-ub-ma* ARM 10 40 r. 10'; *pa-ħši(?)]-šu upšāši ik-ru-bu ul i-pu-ħušl* the *pašišu*-priest(?) has not performed (or: will not

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perform) the ritual he has vowed YOS 10 15:2 (OB ext.); RN ... *ana Aššur bēlišu* ... NA<sub>4</sub> *bi-da-na-am ik-ru-ub-ma* Ikuñum has given a stone .... to his lord Aššur as a votive offering AOB 1 20 No. 2:8, cf. ibid. 18 No. 12 ii 3 (Irišum); [ak]-*ru-ub* SÁ.[DUG<sub>4</sub>]-e I have vowed regular offerings Lambert BWL 74:55 (Theodicy); *ana DN qīšta lik-ru-ub* he should offer a present to Adad Bab. 4 104:15, and passim in this text; *şalam şarrūtija epēša* ... *ina mahar Aššur* ... *ana şazzuзи lu ak-ru-ub* I vowed to make a stela representing me as king (and) to place (it) in front of (the image of) Aššur (at the threshold of my city) Weidner Tn. 47 No. 40:27 (Aššur-nādin-apli); *şalam URUDU* ... *ik-rum-ma ušēli* RA 6 133:9 (NA votive); note *IK-RU-UB* (as Akkadogram in Bogh.) KUB 10 11 i 9, and passim in KUB 15, referring to the act of dedicating a votive offering; exceptional: *mārēm* ... *ammaruma ana bēlija a-ka-ar-ra-bu* (I swear that) should I find a (reliable) fattener (for cattle) I would make you a present (of him) ARM 5 46:11.

**b)** in ext.: *ina puḥād a-ka-ra-bu kittam šu[knam]* place a true answer in the lamb I am dedicating RA 38 86 r. 23 (OB ext. prayer), also JCS 22 25:12, also, wr. *a-ka-ar-ra-bu-ú* ZA 43 306:23 (OB prayer to the gods of the night); [*šumma*] *immeru ina ka-ra-bi-ka uznašu tarṣa* if the sheep's ears are pointed when you dedicate (it). VAT 9518:11, see Ebeling, TuL p. 42, cf. *šumma immeru ina ka-ra-bi-ka issi* TuL p. 43:5, also *ištu kār-bu imbā issi* ibid. p. 42:5 (behavior of sacrificial lamb); *anassikunūši a-kar-rab-ku-nu-ši* I lift up to you, I dedicate to you (a sheep) BBR No. 100 r. 35, cf. *a-kar-rab-ku-nu-ši asla* ibid. r. 31, r. 39, also obv. 20, 24; note *ina* ... *ta-mit a-kar-ra-bu kitta libši* BBR No. 100:42, also No. 75-78:3 and JRAS Cent. Supp. pl. 3:13; *ina mimma a-kar-ra-bak-ku-nu-ši Šamaš u Adad izizzanimma* BBR No. 75-78:9.

**6. kurrubu** (same mng. as mng. 2 but pl.): the aldermen of the city constantly enter the temple of Dagan *ana bēlija u ummānātim* *ša bēlija ú-ka-ar-ra-bu* and invoke blessings upon my lord and the army of my lord ARM

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3 17:20, cf. *ana Bēlet-ekalli kajāniš ni-uk-ta-na-ra-ba-ku-nu-ši* (perhaps error for *nik-tanarrabakunūši*) ARM 10 112:18.

**7. IV** (passive to mng. 1): *ša ina É.BAD ša ina É.ugx(BAD).ga ik-ka-ri-bu anāku* I am (Marduk) who is blessed in the nether world(?) AfO 17 315 F 9, with comm. *ša ina bīt LÚ kīma nūri x i-kar-ra-bu-ka ḫAsalluhi i-kar-rab mā la ana LÚ.SIG i-kar-rab* ibid. 316:19, see AfO 19 118.

The occurrences of the form *iqrub* in UCP 9 110 No. 56:9, 11 and YOS 6 222:6, 13 do not belong to *karābu* but to *qerēbu* which is used in NB and NA texts to refer to the movements of sacrificial materials to the images as shown by *iqarrub* in NB YOS 6 145:14, TCL 9 87:21, BIN 1 170:20, TCL 13 233:5, AnOr 9 22:7, 21 r. 6, RAcc. 92 r. 12, and in NA KAR 25 ii 20, but *iqarrib* ZA 45 44:45. In ARM 3 40:18 read *likspu*, see *kispu* usage b.

Landsberger, MAOG 4 294ff. Ad mng. 5: H. Hirsch, WZKM 62 53f.

**karadnannalla** s.; (an ornament of precious stone on sandals); EA\*; foreign word; cf. *karadnannu*.

One pair of sandals of *dušū*-leather studded with *dardarah*-ornaments of gold, their buttons of *hilipu*-stone *ka-rat-na-an-na-al-la* NA<sub>4</sub>.ZA.GÍN KUR *ti-ša-ak-k[u-un]* the *k*.-part is of genuine lapis lazuli (in the shape of) .... EA 22 ii 25 (list of gifts of Tušratta).

Salonen Fussbekleidung p. 39.

**karadnannu** (*qardanānu*) s.; (a small piece of jewelry); Qatna, EA\*; foreign word; cf. *karadnannalla*.

1 *šu ka-rad-na-an-nu* KÙ.GI 2 GÍN *ina ki.lá.bi* one set of *k*. (made) of gold, weighing two shekels EA 22 ii 11 (list of gifts of Tušratta); 1 *qar*(var. *[q]á-ar*)-*da-na-an uqnī* (part of a necklace) RA 43 142:44.

**karadū** s.; (mng. uncert.); Mari.\*

These small boats and sixty fishermen [*x*]-*ma-am-ma ka-ra-di-am* [*ina*] GN *likillu* [...], they should keep the *k*. ready in GN ARM 6 71 r. 12'.

**karagaldū** see *karimgaldū*.