

Biblical Citations in the Athonite Translation of the *Orations Against the Arians* by Athanasius of Alexandria

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Abstract: The article is devoted to the Athonite translation of the *Orations against the Arians* by Athanasius of Alexandria, preserved in the so-called *Ragagolnik* of Epiphanius Slavinetsky. Late copy of the translation is saved in a manuscript from the Synodal collection 112 (No.360). from the 17th century, State Historical Museum, Moscow. The author makes observations on the language in a manuscript from the Pogodin collection 968, the Russian National Library, St. Petersburg and No.360 from the GIM confirms the general genesis of the copies in MS No. 360 and it. Biblical quotations testify that the translation from Mount Athos was made directly from the Greek language, without reference to the canonical books of the 10th century, but in accordance with the orthographic and grammatical standards of the Hesychastic Reform in 14th century. The translator knows and uses the translation of Konstantin of Preslav, but the similarities between the Old Bulgarian and the Athonite translations are mostly in the quotations of the New Testament. The differences between the Russian and Serbian versions are mainly due to the corrections made by Epiphanius Slavinetsky or the reference to Epiphanius of a photograph of another Greek tradition used on Mount Athos.

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The Old Bulgarian translation of the *Orations against the Arians* made by Constantine of Preslav in 906 has been the subject of a number of studies in the last decade. The most authoritative and oldest copy of this translation dates from the 14th century, in MS Pog. No. 968 at the National Library of Russia (RNB) in St. Petersburg. This copy has been used in the contemporary editions of the individual *Orations* (Vaillant 1954, Penkova 2015, Penkova 2016). The ten Russian 15th–17th century

copies fall into two groups, respectively originating from Pog. No. 968, Russian National Library and MS No. 115 (437), f. 113 at the Russian State Library (RGB). Both manuscripts, copied in 1489 by order of Gennady, Archbishop of Novgorod, were aimed to be used in rooting out the heresy of the Judaizers. While the copyist of Pog. 968 – Mitya Popovka, copied from “old Bulgarian books word for word” (Vaillant 1954: 13), the copyist of MS № 115 (437), Benjamin (Timofey Velyaminov) of the Joseph-Volokolamsk monastery notes on two occasions that is also referring to “an old Athanasius”, obviously different from his text (Penkova 2018: 41–82). Benjamin’s text is phonetically Russified (see <http://old.stsl.ru/manuscripts/f-113/115>). In the 16th century Patriarch Macarius included the translation of Constantine of Preslav in the Office Menaion for May under May 2, the date of Athanasius’s death, the commemoration of Prince Boris I and the first Russian martyrs Boris and Gleb (publication in Weiher, Šmidt, Škurko 2007). The translation of Constantine of Preslav was copied right up to the 18th century (MS Ovch No. 209, RGB), but in the 17th century, during the reform of Patriarch Nikon, another translation of the *Orations* was printed in the book of the well-known reformer Epiphanius Slavinetsky, the *Theological Collection* titled *Sbornik perevodov Epifaniya Slavinetskogo (Grigorii Bogoslov, Vasily Veliki, Afanasy Aleksandrijski i Ioan Damaskin, Moskva 1665)* [Collection of Translations by Epiphanius Slavinetsky (Gregory the Theologian, Basil the Great, Athanasius of Alexandria and John Damascene)]. The copy of the first version of Epiphanius has been preserved in the 17th century MS Sin. 112 (№ 360), GIM (Gorskij, Nevostruev 1859: 42–43). Here the text from GIM No. 360 has been quoted according to photocopies with the numbering of the pages made by the copyist himself, individual folios feature double numbering also given here. That new translation was copied a century later in the Balkans, in the 1734 manuscript miscellany *Razglagolnik* of Gavrilo Stefanović Venclović kept at the Archives of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts (Arhiv SANU, Inv. br. 95/135/); here the manuscript has been used according to photocopies and the citations bear the numbering of the copyist.

The objective of this article is to compare the biblical citations in the translation of Constantine of Preslav with those in the new translation given in the *Razglagolnik* (hereinafter *Razgl.*). The connection of the citations from the version of Athanasius with the gospel text familiar to the copyist is a guideline for finding the topical for the copyist redaction of the sacred text, but both the Old Bulgarian translator and the Athonite scribe have translated directly from their Greek source, without comparison and checking in certain canonical books. The biblical citations in *Oration I* and *Oration II* have already been analysed and indexed in the publications of the *Orations* according to the copy in Pog. 968 (Penkova 2015: 114–124, Penkova 2016: 109–126), which is why here there is an attachment including a list of the citations by

biblical chapters only from *Oration I*. The citations from the Old Bulgarian translation of *Oration I* are given according to the text prepared for new publication and the numbering of the pages corresponds to that in MS Pog. 968. Where the citations have been noted by Vaillant, the reference to the edition of A. Vaillant are given in brackets with page and line numbers (Vaillant 1954).

Textological characteristics of the new Slavic translation

The text in the initial version of Epiphanius Slavinetsky (hereinafter GIM 360) and the Venclović text are undoubtedly of common origin, most probably one and the same Athonite translation. The linguistic features of the new translation coincide with the characteristics of 14th century Athonite translations – use of prepositions instead of non prepositional Greek phrases, contracted forms of adjectives and the imperfectum, definite articles with infinitives instead of personal verbal forms, removal of double negation and asigmatic aorist, plural instead of singular for pronouns of the ταῦτα-type, replacement of the passive for reflexive verbal forms, marking of Greek article forms with *иже*, *еже*, literal translation of compound words such as *свѣтъносыць* instead of *дѣньница* for ἐωσφόρος.¹ The translator of the new translated version was familiar with the one made by Constantine of Preslav, for there are examples in which the two copies of the translation contain identical words without support in the Greek. According to Lytvinenko, Epiphanius used the translation made by Constantine of Preslav: «Epiphanius definitely used the existing translation made by Constantine of Preslav in 907 and available to him in Moscow» (Lytvynenko 2019, in print).

Epiphanius additionally compared the literal Athonite translation with Greek and cut words, overwriting his lexical variant, as for example *моцъ* instead of *сила*, *высочайший* instead of *вышини*, *чрез Соломона* instead of *Соломоном*. Slavinetsky's corrections, however, are not found in the copy of Venclović. Because of the differences between the Russian and the Serbian copy, it can be assumed that the Serbian one was not made from a book brought from Russia, but came from the new Slavic translation preserved on Mt. Athos or Fruška Gora. The incipit of the Russian copy says: *Я свѣдѣтелствованы сїѧ ст҃ыѧ и вѣгодѣхновеныѧ книги во тѣпографии со греческихъ старыхъ писменныхъ и печатныхъ переводовъ Ст҃ыѧ горы Атѡнскїѧ:*

¹ I have outlined my arguments supporting the Athonite origin of the translation in the article “Сербская редакция нового славянского перевода Слов против ариан Афанасия Александрийского в сборнике «Разглагольник» Гаврила Венцловича Стефановича 1734 г.” (in print, *Linguistic Balkanique* 1, 2019).

тод же Стыл говы архимандритомъ Дионисиемъ со клевреты егѡ. The Archimandrite Dionysos mentioned and the other well-trained associates directed the selection of the Greek copies and compared the Slavonic and the chosen Greek text, while the role of the editor Epiphanius was mainly to check and approve for print the proposed drafts (“кавичные книги”, see Siromaha 1999: 15–20). The choice of the literal Athonite version over the meaningful translation of Constantine of Preslav is explained with the historical fact that in the discussion with the Old Believers the latter used the Old Bulgarian translation (Penkova, 2018: 34). To distinguish themselves from the Judaizers, the reformers from Nikon’s circle separated the linguistic and the theological aspect.

According to the publisher of the *First Oration against the Arians*, A. Vaillant, Slavinetsky used for comparison with the Greek consulting the 1627 Paris edition published by Johannes Piscator (Vaillant 1954: 16). The relation between the Greek text of 1627 and that of the first Greek edition printed in Heidelberg in 1601 (*Editio Commeliana*) has not been studied, and that includes the collection of works of Athanasius of Alexandria compiled by Nilus Dostopatres in the 12th century. The subsequent edition of B. de Montfaucon (B. de Montfaucon, 1698, 321-468) was based on MS Basiliensis gr., 13th century, originating from the St. Athanasius Great Lavra on Mt. Athos. This paper uses the contemporary critical editions of the *Orations* (cf. Metzler, Savvidis 1998–2000 and Tetz, Wyrwa 2000). The genesis of the 10th–16th century Greek copies occurs from two archetypes: **x** and **RS** (Metzler, Savvidis 1998–2000: 88–89). Basiliensis gr. belongs to the tradition **x**. The Slavic text of Oration I and III in Pog. 968 was translated from a Greek text from a mixed tradition, and only Oration II was redacted to remove the differences with **RS** (Penkova 2016: 29–37). Judging by Pog. 968, the Greek source of Constantine of Preslav was closest to a preserved 10th century Greek manuscript, Atheniensis gr. 428, for only in Atheniensis gr. 428 do the three authentic *Orations* against the Arians precede the fourth oration featured as the *Epistle to the Bishops of Egypt and Lybia*. In the Athonite translation of the *Epistle*, it precedes the three *Orations*, just as it does in the Greek copies after the 12th century. The Greek text of Athanasius has been proved to have “mixed” traditions of the texts even in the earliest now extant Greek manuscripts, as for example the *Codex Alexandrinus* (British Library, MS Royal 1.D.V–VIII), where the gospel part reflects the Byzantine type of texts and the Acts of Apostle Paul and the Epistles the Alexandrian one (Donker 2011: 3). In more recent research of the works of Athanasius the focus is on analysis of the exegetics of the biblical quotation (Ernest 2004) and on comparison between the orientation of Athanasius and his contemporaries Marcellus of Ancyra, Apollinarius, Eusebius and Acacius (Vinzent 2011: 131).

Textological characteristics of the Serbian copy

The Venclović text features Serbian, not Russian phonetics, with two *jer* orthography and *а* for *ъ* and *к* reflect in the word, replacement of the nasal vowels with *ѹ* and *ԑ*, voiced -*ρ-*, -*λ-* (of the type *съмрти*). The Old Bulgarian reflects *шт-*, *жд-*, have been preserved, as well as iotated *ie*, *ia* in the beginning of the word and after soft consonants. The orthography strictly follows the spelling rules set down by Constantine of Kostenets in his *Clarification on the Alphabet*, with three types of stress, three types of stress combination with aspirations and intersecting signs like *patron* and *kendema*, as well as meaningful distribution of *о* and *ѡ*, *ε* and *ԑ*, *и* and *ї*, *ѹ* and *ꙗ*. In the Serbian copy we find complex adjective forms, anaphoric pronouns (ACC *и* and *и* for *ѧ*), archaic participle forms of the type *храняен* (*храняли*), *избавалъше се* (*избављаша са*).

There are a number of examples in which the phrases in the *Razglagolnik* are closer to the text of Pog. 968 than to the text of Epiphanius, as for example in the quotation from Psalm 89. 1-2: *ο μὲν Δαβὶδ ψάλλει κύριε, καταφυγὴ ἐγενήθης ήμιν εἰς γενεὰν καὶ γενεάν.* Πρὸ τοῦ ὅρη ἑδρασθῆναι καὶ πλασθῆναι τὴν γῆν καὶ τὴν οἰκουμένην καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ αἰῶνος σὺ εἶ. Pog. 968, 17v26-18r1-2 *давыдъ же поетъ, ги привѣжиште бысть наимъ в рѣ и родъ привѣже даке горы не оутвердиша сѧ. и създада сѧ земля и въселена. отъ вѣка и до вѣка ты еси.* | GIM No. 360,29/57 *Давїдъ поётъ. Гдѣ привѣжиште быль єси наимъ в рѣдъ. прѣждѣ єже горамъ ѡтвѣрдити сѧ, и создатися земли, и селеничи, ѿ вѣка и до вѣка ты єси* (omitted words *и* *родъ* for *каὶ γενεάν*) | Razgl. 197r34-197v1-2 *дѣвъ оубо поѣ.* Ги привѣжиште былъ на в рѣ и рѣ. [repeated *рѣ* и *рѣ*], прѣждѣ да не быти гора и създатися земли, и въселеніи ѿ вѣка и до вѣка ты єси. In the translation *отъ вѣка и до вѣка* Pog. 968 and Razgl. correspond to tradition x: *καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ αἰῶνος καὶ ἔως*, while GIM No. 360 follows the tradition of RS : *καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ αἰῶνος.* In the translation of *ἑδρασθῆναι* с *оутвердити* Pog. and GIM No. 360 agree with tradition x, while *не быти гора* in Razgl. corresponds to the difference in S *γενηθῆναι*, *ο γενηθῆ* (Tetz, Metzler, Savvidis 1998: 123). Remarkably, here Razgl. stands closer to the *Psalterium Sinaiticum*, 119b 12-16 *привѣже даке горы не вѣшиша —и созѣда сѧ земль и оутселенѧ.* The text in Pog. 968 is similar, 17v20-24: *соломонъ рече, даке земля не сътворитъ. и даке бѣздѣниа не сътворитъ. и даке не истекж источиници воднини. и даке не оутвердатъ сѧ горы. привѣже всѣ холми раждаестъ мѧ. и да авраамъ не бысть азъ єсмъ.* GIM 360, 56: *чрез Соломона глаголъ, прѣждѣ єже землю сотворити, и прѣждѣ єже вѣдны сотворити, и прѣждѣ єже проийти источникомъ воднымъ, и прѣждѣ єже горамъ ѡтвѣрдити сѧ, прѣждѣ всѣхъ холмъ раждаестъ мѧ.* И прѣждѣ нѣже Авраамъ быти, а єсмъ, Razgl. 197: *саломонъ глаголъ. прѣже є землю сътворити. и прѣже є вѣдны*

сътвръхити. и превъже єжке пройзывити истоичникъ воны. и превъже є гоѓа оѓтврдити се. прѣде въсѣ хлѣмовъ јадае ме. и превъже нежке авраамъ въти азъ єса; диа Соломонтос фпс. пгд тю тюн гън поиhsai, каи пгд тю азвусовs поиhsai каи пгд тю проелтеин тас птгъас тюн удатюн, пгд тю ѿн єдракстхнай, пгд дѣ пантовн буннн генна ми каи пгд Абраамъ генестхай єгъа еим. Here єдракстхнай corresponds to оѓтврдити in GIM 360 and Razgl.

There is another example in Chapter XLI, пѡс оѹн єламбен о єихен ае каи пгд лабеин нун ауто, Pog. 968, 43v1-2: како оѓво приимаше єжке ѡмѣаше присно. и прѣвѣе даке нынѣ не възметь, GIM No. 360, 98/50: како приатъ покланяли въти, и превъже нежке приати ннѣ сїе, Razgl. f. 212: како оѓво прїеше. єжке ѡмеше прїно. и превъже нежке приати ннѣ сїе. The text of Slavinetsky deviates from the Greek because of contamination with the next passage: пѡс єлабе тю прокунеистхай о каи пгд тоуто нун лабеин, ае проскунумено – Pog. 968, 43v: како приатъ покланяи. премилан покланяи и прѣвѣе сего приатиа, GIM No. 360, 98/50: како приатъ покланяли въти, и превъже нежке приати ннѣ сїе, прїно покланяли, Razgl. 212: како прїе покланяе въти. и прѣде нежке прїети сїе, прїно покланяли.

The presence of Slavic forms corresponding to different readings from various Greek traditions confirms the observation that the Slavic translations of the *Orations* followed Greek samples of a mixed tradition and only *Oration II* in Pog. 968 has been redacted additionally in comparison to a Greek original of the x-tradition and has been cleared of different readings according to RS (Penkova, 2016: 12). The x-tradition examples prevail in both the Old Bulgarian and the Athonite translation, as for example: єн дѣ тю Дачніја. анефбоге фарнї мегалї Сосанна каи еїпен. о Ѹеос о аївно, о тюн куптюн гнвостї, о еїдѡс та панта пгд генесеюс аутюн – Pog. 968, 18r3-5: въ данийк же възгни гласомъ велико соғсанна и рече, въ ненесъныи таємыи съвѣдѣтель. съвѣдѣны все прѣжде вътии ихъ – GIM No. 360, 29/57: въ данийк же, возвѣпъ гласомъ великии съсанна, и рече. Бжѣ нѣныи, тайнии знатель, вѣдѣи всѧ превъже вътии и – Razgl. 197v: въ данийк възапи гласъ великии съсанна и рече, вѣ нѣныи, тайнии знатель, вѣдѣи всѧ превъже вътии ихъ. Here x says: о Ѹеос оѹданиос instead of о Ѹеос о аївно.

The difference in the origin of varied readings in GIM No. 360 and Razgl. give grounds to assume that the Slavinetskij's copy was compared additionally to a Greek sample other than that of the source of the Athonite translation: for example, for О Δаѳидѣ Ѣаллєи лєгѡв in GIM No. 360 we read Даѳидъ поетъ гла, but in Razgl. 193: Даѳ пое гла (гла for глагола and пое for поета). This observation is also supported by the different word order of the type of GIM No. 360 въти ннѣ compared to Razgl. нна въти for нун генестхнай.

It is not known whether added or omitted words in Venclović that are missing in both copies of the Old Bulgarian translation and in GIM No. 360 are due to his Athonite photograph, as for example the frequent omission of *μετε* for *φησί*, or the added in *Razgl.* 192 *ενεκογδа врeme*, compared to Pog. 968, 30.13: *ενе ивкогда, ог* the phrase added in Venclović at the end of *Oration II*, *εже аще что быстъ*.

In both GIM No. 360 and in *Razgl.* there are marginal notes about the source in terms of biblical book or author, but we should not overlook the fact that the markings of the citations in the margin are abbreviated in a different way, as for example in GIM No. 360, 61/31 *в коп. ғ*, *Razgl.* 199 *в копи ғ*.

Volume and character of biblical citations

The exegesis of Athanasius of Alexandria stepped on citations from all canonical and deuterocanonical texts, and Athanasius himself was the first to divide the Testament into ‘Old’ and ‘New’ (*παλαιὰ τε καὶ καινή*, Penkova 2016: 110-111). The statistics of citations in the Greek Text of *Oration I* shows that of 23,132 words those from the Scriptures totalled 3,237, the citations from the New Testament being twice more frequent (Ernst, 2004: 114, 355; see a review of older research in Dragas 2005: 6–7, 11, 41). The citation paradigms (*παράδειγμα*) are repeated on many occasions in the text, surrounded by sample citations designated by Athanasius as *τύπος, χαρακτήρ*. The key citation in *Oration I* is the Epistle of Apostle Paul to the Philippians 2. 8-11 and to the Hebrews 1:4, in *Oration II* – Proverbs 8:22, in *Oration III* - Matthew 24:36. The key citations are repeated in the text as a full or shortened version, as if being retold or as a reminiscence. For example Ph 2.9-10, Pog. 968, 39r22-26 (182.6-7): *τέλι же и єть єго превъзвесе. и дасть ємоу имена єсть въише всего имене. да о имени иисусовѣ. всако колѣно поклонитъ сѧ. непесъскыиъ и землииъ и прѣисподнииъ, Razgl. 210: тѣ же и єть єго превъзвеси и даровѧ ємоу имена паче въсакого имени. да въ имени иисусовѣ въсако колѣно поклонитъ сѧ, ненъ и землніи и пренестони, діо каси о Ѹеодѣ аутон ѿперауфосе каси єхарісато аута ѿнома то ѿпера пан ѿнома, іна єн та ѿнорати інсю пан ѿнуми камишъ єпощаніон каси єптигейон каси катахтоніон, in 40r20-21: да о имени иисусовѣ. всако колѣно поклонитъ сѧ.*

The idea of the unity between the prophecies in the Old Testament and their confirmation in the New Testament, as for example the thesis of the eternity of God the Son, His consubstantial existence with the Father and His coexistential being, is illustrated with quotations from Isaiah 40:28 (Chapter 12), Judith 8.16 9 (chapters 21, 27, 28), Daniel 13:42, The Letter of Paul to the Church in Rome 1:20 and his Letter to the Hebrews 1:2. The repetition of the same combination of citations in the three

Athanasius orations is one of the proofs of the unity and authenticity of the three Orations, cf. Pog. 968, 137r22–23: ёсть єдинъ и тъжде оулы въ си тъхъ словесе. The precision of the citation varies: in *Oration I* are initially ‘retold’, cf. Pog. 968, John 10.30: тълиже и саинъ” отецъ єдино ёста, видаи во сего, видить и отца, и John 14.10, 21r17–18: синъ въ Отци и отецъ въ синъ, but after that they are also quoted directly: 62r26–62v1: глаголетъ обаче таико слово и овра си. азъ въ Отци и отецъ въ мнѣ. и видевши мене видевъ ёсть отца. и отецъ привыкалъ въ мнѣ. The quotations from the Gospels, the Epistle Book and the Psalter are very close in both translations, while those from the Old Testament prophets reveal significant differences. For example, the block of three evangelic citations to denounce Sabellianism is repeated with variations in spelling, the changes in the Serbian copy being in the expected replacement of the dual for the plural and of perfectum for aorist: John 10:30, Pog. 968, 148r1–2 азъ и отецъ єдино єсвѣ, Razgl. 279 азъ и отецъ єдино єсмы, John 14:9, Pog. 968 147v27 видевши мене видевъ ёсть отца, Razgl. 279 видевши мене видѣ ѿца, John 14:10, 148r1 азъ въ отци, и отецъ въ мнѣ, Razgl. 279 азъ въ отци, и отецъ въ мнѣ. The orthography of the citations varies even in the initial translation, cf. Pog. 968, 142v 14–15 азъ и отецъ єдино єсвѣ, азъ въ отци, и отецъ въ мнѣ.

The combinations of Psalms 96:8 and 88:7 is repeated in *Oration I*, Chapter 57, *Oration II*, Chapter 49 and in *Oration III*, Chapter 10. This block is used as evidence that Jesus is different from the angels and the sons of man ‘elevated by God’. Psalm 88:7 in the *Psalterium Sinaiticum* says: 117v15–16: къто... подобитъ ся го въ сиихъ вѣхъ, Тіс ѡмоющетаи тѡ Куріѡ єн уюїс јсеоѹ, in Pog. 968, 107r7–8: кто подобенъ го въ сыно вожнихъ, and 142r17 кто оуподобитъ ся ємоу въ сыно єжийхъ.

The evangelical quotations were translated directly from Greek, as for example Matthew 6:25–30, Pog. 968, 87r1–16: не пыщите ся ѿ дѹши вашен. уто єсте. ни ѿ тълеси вашемъ въ уто ѿблѣшти сѧ. не даша ли влѣшти ёсть пышта. и тъло ѿдѣжда. възрите на птица небесскыя. таико не сѣжть ни жынкѣ, ни съвиражть въ жытница. и отецъ вашъ небесскыи крѣмъ ж, не вѣ ли пайде тъб єсте. кто ѿтъ васъ пеки сѧ, може приложити къ раштениж своємъ лакъть єдинъ. а ѿдѣжди почуто сѧ пеуете, съмотрите кринна сельна како растеть, не траждатъ сѧ, ни прадждатъ. глаголиж же валихъ, таико ни солѣмонъ въ всен славѣ своєи, не ѿблѣкуе сѧ таико єдинъ ѿтъ си. аште сѣно седное дѣнесь сжште, а оутро въ пешть възметає, бѣ таико ѿдѣвѣть, не вольми ли васъ маловѣрни. Cf. Razgl. 239 не пѣците се дашею вашен. уто таисте. ни тъло вашъ въ уто ѿблечите се. не даша ли вѣшше ѻ пышти. и тъло ѿдѣды. възрите на птице небнѣ. таико не сѣю. ни жню. ни съвиражи вълагалица. и ѿцъ вашъ небнѣ питаете ѻ, не ви же ли пайде разанствѣте ѻ ни. кто же ѻ вѣ пеки се, єда може приложити възрастъ своєму лакъ єдинъ. а ѿдѣжи уто пеуете се. смотрите кринны

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сéлнїе, како рáсту, не трудаю се, ни прéдъ. Глю же вá, тако ни соломонъ въ въсей слáвѣ своëи ѿдѣбаше се тако ёдинò сий. аще трапу сéлн8 дáна с8ци8. и оутро въ пеши въмнѣтамъ. въ тако ѿдѣба. не многó ли паче вá маловѣрьни.

The lexical differences between Pog. 968 and *Razgl.* do not allow identification with a certain Old Bulgarian manuscript, cf. *нѣкы* instead of *небесъскии*, *вълагалище* instead of *житница*, *питати* instead of *крънити*, *разанствете* ѿ ни instead of *пáне тѣ єсте*, *възрастъ* instead of *къ раштениj*, *одѣбаше* се instead of *облѣкнє сѧ*, *тако* instead of *не такъ*, *трапу сéлн8* instead of *сѣно селное*, *много* instead of *вольни*, *маловѣры* instead of *маловѣрьни*. The differences between Pog. 968 and the *Codex Zographenisis* (according to the edition of Jagić 1883) are both lexical (*раштениj~тѣлеси*, *крина~цвѣтъ*, *пешти~огнъ*, *ваштиши~вольши*, *вольни~колми*), and grammatical (preposition combination with locative ~ instrumental case, infinitive instead of a certain verbal form): *не пїцкте сѧ дшeиж своеj. что єсте или что пиете. ни тѣломъ вашими. въ что облѣкете сѧ. не дша ли больши есть пишта. и тѣло одежда. възьрите на птица нѣскыя. како не сѣкитъ ни жѣнитъ. ни сѣвираижтъ въ житънициj. и ѡцъ вашъ нѣскы питѣетъ я. не вы ли паче лоучьши ихъ есть. кто же отъ васъ пеки сѧ. можетъ приложити тѣлеси своемъ лактьти ёдинъ. и о одежди чьто сѧ печете. стъмотрите цвѣтъ селнныихъ како растятъ. не траждаижтъ сѧ. ни приджатъ. глиж же вами. Ѳко ни соломинъ. въ всемъ славѣ своимъ облѣкче сѧ. Ѳко ёдинъ отъ сихъ. аще же сѣно днѣсь сжште. а оутро въ огнъ въмнѣтамо. въ тако ѿдѣбтъ. колми паче вать маловѣри.* Individual lexical parallels with *Razgl.* are found in the East Bulgarian *Sava's Book* (according to the critical edition of Ščerkin 1903): *треbж сельникъ днѣсть сжцж, въ пеши, маловѣри*, but *Sava's Book* omits *не дша ли больши есть пишта. и тѣло одежда*, what is important of the different readings is the double negation *не сѣкитъничесоже*, compare also the lexical and grammatical variants: *възложити на тѣло свое лактьти ёдинъ. и при одежди... развѣтъ цвѣты сельныи не трауждаижтъ сѧ ... то аще треbж сельникъ днѣсть сжцж. а оутро въ пеши вълагалишъ сѧ ... не мнози паче вать. маловѣри*.

The Greek model of introducing a quotation by a conjunction for citation ὅτι, and the article τό for substantivization of the quoted phrase are given as *тако* and *иже/еже*. The direct citation of the quotation of the Athanasius text also provides information about the development of terminology: for example Pog. 968, 16r6 (52.19) features *въ апокалипси*, *Razgl.* f.196 *въ ѿквѣны*. There are introductory words before the citation: *рече, глаголетъ, поетъ*, e.g. Hosea 7.13 and 7.15-16, Pog. 968, 11v25-12a3 (36.17-20) *пророкъ, ѿсіе прѣрече*. *и горе имъ, тако ѿтъстажиша ѿтъ мене, ѿкаини сжть. тако нечестивоваша ѿ мене. азъ же и҃звавъ я. они глаголаша на мя лъжж. и паки мѣло постажьши, и на мя помыслиша зло. ѿтъвратиша ни въ чутоже.* *Razgl.* 193 *прѣрокъ иѡсіе прѣрече. Горе имъ, тако ѿскочише ѿ мене. ѿкаини сѹ тако нечестивоваше въ ме. аз же и҃звавъ и. ти же глаше на мя лажки. и по малѣ, и оустѣвѣтоваше злѧ.*

и на ма помыслише лвкáва, ѿвратише се въ нíчтъ, диа тоū προφήτου ώστη προείρηκεν. „οὐαὶ αὐτοῖς, ὅτι ἀπεπήδησαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. δείλαιοί εἰσιν, ὅτι ἡσέβησαν εἰς ἐμέ. ἐγὼ δὲ ἐλυτρωσάμην αὐτούς. αὐτοὶ δὲ κατελάλησαν κατ' ἐμοῦ ψευδῆ“. καὶ μετ' ὀλίγα. „καὶ εἰς ἐμὲ ἐλογίσαντο πονηρά, ἀπεστράφησαν εἰς οὐθέν“. In Razgl. we find a different reading по малѣ, и оғсъвѣтовѣши заля for ὀλίγον καὶ ἐβουλεύσαντο κακά, the different reading is registered in MS Londinensis Burneianus 46, 12th century, and in five 14th-16th century manuscripts, MS Londinensis Burneianus 46 being the only one belonging to the x-tradition without contamination with different readings from the RS group (Metzler, Savvidis 1998: 78-80). Quotations from the Old Testament similar to the above contain numerous non-synonymous replacements in the new translation with a specification of the semantics of the Greek words. Here instead of ὄτ्यεстжпиша we have ѿскочише, instead of зло we have лвкáва, instead of постжпьши we have оғсъвѣтовѣши. Compare also Job, XLI. 5, Pog. 968, 5v2-4 (22.4-5): ноужда ми бы въекденоу бывшоу вами, въспрати прѣградж жтробы скверниныа сея өреси, Razgl. 190г: ноужно во неп'щевѣ проеѹжжѣ ѿ вѣ'. ڻазвѣти свитакъ пр'сии скр'вные өрѣты се. ڻанакгакион һүгжамен (Aorist of һүгжома) протратеис паզ' үмән диеleин тὴн птузин тоū ٿѡرакос тῆс миарада айдесеов таутгес. Compare also Proverbs 9.18, Pog. 968, 14v16-18 (48.9-11) въ илже въпаддаи. не вѣстъ іако земни оғ' неза гибнажъ. и въ сѣтъ ڦадъскию сърѣтаѣтъ. Razgl. 195: въ ніо въпаддае нѣвес іако земла ٿорднгъ оғ' ніе погиваю. и въ сѣтъ ڦадъко ڦетаю се, εἰς ḥν ὁ ἐμπίπτων „οὐκ οἶδεν ὅτι γηγενεῖς παρ' αὐτῇ ὄλλυνται καὶ ἐπὶ πέταυρον ἄδου συναντᾶ“, тук γηγенήс has been rendered semantically more correctly with земльнородынъ. There are also synonym replacements at the loan translation of Greek word, as for example Rm IX.5, Pog. 968 16r23-24 (52.22-23): Отъ ніхъже хе по плоти, ски. надъ вѣкли въ вѣкы благословествени. Razgl. 196 Из ніхъ же по плоти. съ на вѣкли въ вѣкы. благвенъ – єхъ ѡн о Христоу то ката сарака. о ѡн էти пантау ٿهڻос էیس тоңас աیѡнас ےولوچтос.

The key evangelical citations usually coincide because of their connection with the daily service, compare John 1,1, Pog. 968: Еъ начатцѣ вѣ слово, и слово вѣ къ вонъ и въ вѣ слово. настъ ради послѣжде се слово бысть пльть, GIM 360, 98/50: въ началѣ еѣ Слово, и Слово вѣ къ Бгѣ. и Бгъ вѣ Слово. Насъ ради послѣжди Слово пльть бысть Razgl., 212: въ начелѣ вѣ слово. и слово вѣ къ вѣ. и вѣ вѣ слово. на ради послѣжий слово пльть бы.

More frequently, the citations are retold, as for example Ps 2.1. Pog. 968, 15r27-16v2 (52.15) по үтд и ви іако іазыци шатаете са, и поѹчаёте са тъштилиңъ словесемъ. на господа и на христя ёго, Razgl. 196 въскю и ви іако іазыци възвешасте се и поѹчасте се тащенъ речениѧ, на га и на ҳа ёго, һна ти“ каи үмейс, ос та ётн,

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„ἐφρυάξατε καὶ μελετᾶτε κενὰ“ λεξείδια „κατὰ τοῦ κυρίου καὶ κατὰ τοῦ Χριστοῦ αὐτοῦ, with different reading in x διαλεξείδια. In the *Psalterium Sinaiticum* 1v16 is въскжих шкаташиа сяа езыци. Ще ли је то поучништа сяа тъщетныи.

The volume of the citations allows a convincing following of the x tradition, cf. Heb 4:12, Pog. 968, 126r2–8 жи во слово божие, и съдѣтельно. И острѣв паче всакаго меча Овождак Острова. и проходаште до разлжненїа джаша и доула. Члѣнъвъ же и мозговъ. и острѣвъ и мѣсто мѣсто. и мышленїа срѣдкунааго. и неѣсть тварь небидима прѣ никъ. все же наро и обличенено прѣдъ очима его, Razgl. 263 жи во слово божие и дѣствитетено. и острѣвъ паче всакаго мача Овояодъ Осифра, и проходѣши до раздѣленїа дже и джа. Члановъ же и мозговъ. и сдигалъе помышленїи, и въ оѣиенїи сѣдуви. и неѣсть зданїе независимо прѣ ни. въса нара. и изѣавленїа очесе егъ, Зан гдѣ о Логос той Теси, кай и неноргъс, кай томатеро супер пасан махаилан дистомон, кай дикнууменос ахри меритимоуψихъс кай пневуматос, аноман ти кай миелан, кай критикъс ентурмітсевон кай енноиан каодиас, кай оук єстъ ктиси афранъс енвптион аутоу, панта дѣ гумна кай тетрахилитмениа тоиа оѳталмиис аутоу (in the x-redaction we have критикъс ентурмітсевон кай енноиан каодиас, while the RS group of manuscripts omit кай енноиан каодиас).

In Razgl. we have a grammatical adaptation of the forms to the context, as for example Revelation 1.8 (as well as 1.4, 4.8), Pog. 968 16r6-7 (52.20): сж и гбл и градъи, отъ сжко во и отъ вѣаго, Razgl. 196 съи, и вѣ, и грѣдъ. ѿ є съи, и ѿ є вѣ, о ѿн кай о ѿн кай о єрхоменос, тоу дѣ о ѿн кай тоу ѿн. In addition to the change of grammatical gender, number and tense in the very Greek text of Athanasius himself, there are examples with added words by Athanasius, compare the citation from Matthew 12:13 and Luke 11:23 in *Oration I*, Pog. 968, 5r7-8: не съвиратшени съ наими растачаитъ с диаволомъ, with change of number (о мѫ συνагѡн) and added word (съ диаволомъ), Razgl. 190. не съвиратючи съ наими растачаю съ дїавол. There are also pseudo-citations where Athanasius puts in the mouth of the “quoted” person his own interpretation of the text, as for example the pseudo-quotation from Ac 2:36 in Chapter 2.16 is ascribed to apostle Peter, Pog. 968, 79r17-18 разоглите тако съ іс, егоже вы пропасте. тѣ єсть хс нѣмыи, гнѣте, оти оутос о Иисоус, онъ умейс єсташоршате, оутос єстив о Христос о проодокоменос. Separate words have been used in the allusions to the biblical text and their meaning depends on how well-read the reader/listener is. For example, the reference to Genesis 3:4 consists of three words: тако змиа съвѣштавашти къ женѣ, ос „тѣн оифин сумбовлеунота тї гунаки“.

Peculiarities in *Razlagolnik* characteristics of Athonite translations

The Athonite lexis in the Venclović text includes съетавъ instead of ипостась, храмъ instead of цркви, зданије тварь дѣйствитено instead of съдѣтельство, оумышление instead of помышление, отъиждъ instead of отврѣнъ, естество instead of рудъ, начрѣтание instead of образъ, зракъ instead of образъ, мѣдростъ instead of прѣмѣдростъ, окъштникъ instead of причастъникъ, не лѣпо instead of не подобајетъ, простъ instead of гржење, послоушиши instead of повиновати, съпоспѣшествовати instead of помагати, хыщеніа instead of грабениа, прѣвѣзвысити instead of прѣвѣзвести хоулиати власвилати, оупразнити Радзроушити, единородънъ єдиночадъ раздѣлениꙗ разлажуенїа. The new translation restores the most archaic practice and футис is consistently translated as естество, while оусіа - as сѫтьство. Compare the combination of citations 2 Peter 1.4 and 1Co 3.16, Pog. 968 20v18-19 (72.10-11) и то ёсть же глаголаше Пѣтъ да вѣдѹть вожиа обывштыници сѫтьства. іако рече апостолъ, не вѣсте ли іако цркви вожиа ёсте, GIM, 61 и сїе ёсть. јже гла Пѣтъ. да вѣдете Ежего ѿнѣчици ёстество, и іако глетъ аплъ, не вѣсте іако храмъ Ежѣ ёсте, Razgl. 199: и сїе и гла петаръ. да вѣдете вѣтиаго ѿнѣчици ёстество. и іако гла аплъ. не вѣсте ли іако хра бжѣи итѣ. In the new translation – да вѣд(е)т(е) is corrected according to Іва генито, but in all three texts there are modified and omitted и between рече and апостолъ for ѿс фртс кади ѿ апостоло.

The apostolic citations are indicative of the new Athonite-Turnovo redaction, cf. Heb 1.3, Pog. 968, 13v8 (44.9) науертание во ёсть ѿтъумаго съетава, Razgl. 194г: характеръ во и ѿчалъ нпостаси, характеръ ёстти тїс тоу патрдс ѿпостасеѡс, Pog. and Razgl. follow version x: характеръ гао. Here the *New Testament* features науертание ипостаси, the lexeme съетавъ is found in the Serbian Epistle Book NBKM 88, Serbian manuscript of 1362, and in the Middle Bulgarian Epistle Book NBKM 93 of the end of the 14th century, Athonite redaction with regulated orthography of neighbouring uses (Hristova 2004, 46, 359). Cf. also Rm 11.17, Pog. 968, 14v24-25 948.16): лжавно миимыи свѣтильникъ свои вѣжегъше ѿтъ дивиа масльница, Razgl. 195: коварно миимыи свой свѣтѣнникъ вѣжегъше ѿ дивомасличїа паноурогаѡ тон вомицоменон ёсавтѡн луխнов афантес ёк тїс агюелайон. The phrase is an allusion after Lk 11.33, Mt 5.15 and Mk 4.21, but the metaphor дива масльница of the heretics is from the Epistle Book. The specifications concern verbal voice, as for example Proverbs 13.9, Pog. 968 14v27-15r2 (48. 17-18): свѣтъ во рече неуастивъ оѓасаётъ, покривајте же и по спјдомъ лицеибрриа, Razgl. 195: свѣтъ во неуастивъ гла оѓашаёт се сего оѓко крио по спјдомъ лицеибрриа, фѡс гао дё, фртс, асеѡн сбенвутаи тоуто мён коуптоусян ѿпo тон мобион

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τῆς ὑποκρίσεως, the word order in *Razgl.* follows x-tradition ἀσεβῶν φησίν, Gavrilo Venclović has replaced οὐκέτινε with οὐχέτιν(χά) and has omitted the anaphoric οὐ in compliance with the Greek.

The observations on the language in Pog. 968, GIM No.360 and *Razgl.* confirm the common genesis of the copies in MS No. 360 GIM and *Razgl.* from a single South Slavic (Athonite) translation. The Athonite translation was made directly from Greek, without reference to the canonical books revised in the 10th century, but in abidance with the orthographic and grammatical standards of the 14th century reform. The translator was familiar with and used the translation of Constantine of Preslav, but the similarities between the Old Bulgarian and Athonite translations are mainly in the New Tetstament. The differences between the Russian and the Serbian versions are due mainly to the corrections made by Epiphanius Slavinetsky, or to a reference of the Epiphanius protograph compared to a Greek text from another Greek tradition used before him on Mt. Athos.

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Ps. 50.13, Num. 11.16-17, Isa. 40.8, John 1.18, John 15.26, John 17.22, John 20.22, Phil. 2.9, Hebr. 13.8,

Chapter 49

Ps. 9.6, Ps. 44.7, Ps. 44.8, John 1.1, Gal. 3.10, Hebr. 1.3

Chapter 50

Ps. 44.8, Isa. 61.1, Mt. 12.24, Mt. 12.28, Mt. 12.32, Mt. 13.35, Mc 3.29, Luce 4.18, John 1.14 John 1.16, John 16.7, John 16.13, John 16.14, John 20.22, Phil. 2.6

Chapter 51

Ps. 44.8,Rom. 5.12, Rom. 8.4, Rom. 8.9, I Cor. 15.45, II Cor. 2.11,

Chapter 52

Ps. 5.6, Ps. 7.12, Ps. 10.7, Ps. 44.8, Ps. 86.2, Isa. 61.8, Malach 1.2 (=Rom. 9.13), Mt. 12.34, Mt. 15.19, Mt. 22.21, Mt. 22.29, Gal. 4.4, II Tim. 4.8,

Chapter 53

III Kgs. 8.27, II Chron. 6.18, Prov. 8.22, John 1.14, John 2.36, Acts 2.36, Acts 13.38, Acts 28.28, I Cor. 2.8, Hebr. 1.4, Hebr. 3.1.

Chapter 54

Deut. 18.15, Isa. 7.14, Isa. 53.7, Mt. 24.3, Acts 8.34, II Thes. 2.1-2, II Tim. 2.17-18, Hebr. 1.4

Chapter 55

Ps. 83.11, Prov. 8.10-11, Isa. 56.4-5, Mt. 1.55, Mt. 20.28 (=Mc 10.45), Gal. 3.19, Hebr. 1.1-2, Hebr. 1.2-3, Hebr. 1.3-4, Hebr. 1.14, Hebr. 2.2

Chapter 56

Gen. 21.5, Ps. 103.24, Job 1.2, John 1.3, John 1.18

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Chapter 57

Gen. 29.17, Gen. 39.6, Ps. 2.7, Ps. 85.8, Ps. 88.7, , Ps. 101.26, Ps. 103.4, I Cor. 15.41, Hebr. 1.4, Hebr. 1.5, Hebr. 1.7

Chapter 58

Ps. 44.7, Ps. 101.26-27, John 14.28, Hebr.1.2-3, Hebr. 1.8-11

Chapter 59

Exod. 25.40, Ps. 18.5, Ps. 75.2, Isa. 54.13, Mt. 21.34,Mt. 18.27, Mt. 21.41, Mt. 28.19, John 6.45, Rom. 5.14, Rom. 10.18, II Tim. 1.10, I Cor. 15.22, Hebr. 2.1-3, Hebr. 7.19, Hebr. 7.22, Hebr. 8.5, Hebr. 8.6, Hebr. 9.23, Hebr. 9.24, Hebr. 10.1

Chapter 60

John 1.17, John 3.17, John 12.47, Rom. 5.14, Rom. 7.23, Rom. 8.3, Rom. 8.4, Rom. 8.9, II Tim. 1.10. Hebr. 7.22, Hebr. 10.1

Chapter 61

Gen. 2.16, Gen. 28.12, Ps. 15.8, Ps. 96.7, Luce 1.19, Luce 4.43, John 1.51, John 14.9, John 14.10, John 16.15, Hebr. 1.6

Chapter 62

Ps. 9.10, Ps. 30.3, Ps. 33.14, Prov. 8.22, Mt. 11.28, I Pet 2.24, Hebr. 1.4, Hebr. 1.5, Hebr. 1.7, Hebr. 1.10, Hebr. 1.14

Chapter 63

Gen. 14.13-16 (alusion), Gen. 19.3, III Kgs. 18.4, Ps. 30.3, Job 29.15-16, Isa. 58.9

Chapter 65

Exod. 15.2 (alusion),Ps. 30.3, Ps. 117.14 (alusion), Ps. 117.21 (alusion), , Isa. 12.2 (alusion), , Mt. 20.28, John 1.14, John 11.15, John 14.6, I John 2.2, Hebr. 1.4, Hebr. 7.22

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ABBREVIATIONS

Ac	Acts of the Apostles
Co	The Epistle to the Corinthians
Gen	Gennesis
GIM	State Historical Museum, Moscow
Heb	The Epistle of Apostle Paul to the Hebrews
Jb	Book of Job
Lk	The Book of Luke
Mk	The Book of Mark
Peter	The Epistle of Apostle Peter
Ph	The Epistle to the Philippians
Pog.	Pogodyn collection, Sct. Ptetersburg National Library
Proverbs	The Old Testaments Book of Proverbs
Ps	Psalterium
RGB	Russian State Library, Moscow
Rm	The Epistle to the Romans
RNB	Rusian National Library. St. Petersburg
SANU	Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Beograd

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