[1] ïO men oun Stelicwn thn pro" ÆAlariconeirhnhn toiwde tropw katapraxameno" epi thn exodon wrmhto, toi" autw doxasin ergon epiqhswn: o de basileu" eqelein efasken ek th" ïRwmh" ei" thn ïRabennan paragenesqai qeasasqai te to stratopedon kai filofronhsasqai, polemiou malista toioutou th" Æitalia" ento" diabanto". [2] ÒElege de tauta ouk oikoqen kinoumeno", alla sumboulh Serhna" peiqomeno": ebouleto gar auton asfalesteran polin oikein, ina ei thn eirhnhn pathsa" ÆAlarico" epelqoi th ïRwmh, mh kurieush kai tou basilew": hn gar auth spoudh periswzesqai touton, w" kai auth" thn asfaleian dia th" ekeinou swthria" ecoush. [3] Th" de tou basilew" epi thn ïRabennan ormh" apoqumiou tw Stelicwni faneish", epenoeito polla tauth" kwlumata: tou de basilew" ouk endidonto" allÆ ecomenou th" odoiporia", Saro" barbaro" men to geno", en de th ïRabennh stifou" barbarwn hgoumeno", gnwmh Stelicwno" ekinei pro th" polew" qorubou", ouc w" tw onti suntaraxai ta kaqestwta boulomeno", allÆ w" an ekfobhsoi ton basilea kai th" odou th" epi thn ïRabennan apostreyeie. [4] Tou de ouk apostanto" h" eice gnwmh", Æloustiniano" en tw twn sunhgorwn kata thn ïRwmhn epithdeumati diapreya", aireqei" de para Stelicwno" paredro" te omou kai sumboulo", upo th" agan agcinoia" fainetai ta th" basilikh" odou tekmairomeno", kai w" allotriw" econte" pro" Stelicwna oi en tw Tikhnw stratiwtai tou basilew" epidhmhsanto" ei" ton escaton auton katasthsousi kindunon. [5] Dietelei te parainwn eksthnai ton basilea th" toiauth" ormh", orwn de apeiqounta toi" Stelicwno" logoi" apiwn wceto, deei tou mh dia thn oikeiothta sugkatenecqhnai th Stelicwno" tuch.