

## 11. SAF3

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To the east of SAF2, is the area labelled SAF3.<sup>277</sup> The terrain of this area is sloped towards the east and then falls off sharply towards the Nile. Azim presumed that another building similar to SAF2 was situated here.<sup>278</sup> According to his town map,<sup>279</sup> several walls of the Pharaonic period existed in this sector. However, these could not be verified during the post-examination of the area. Rather, the walls detected here all stem from later building periods, which is shown through their building technique and brick format, as well as the orientation of the walls that deviates slightly from the one of the original city layout. The only structure that can safely be

placed into the framework of the Pharaonic town is the 1.86m thick wall, of which the remains are situated about 30m to the east of Rue NS1 (Pl. 51). This wall, as already described above, was probably the eastern outer wall of SAF2, and not, as Azim believed, the western boundary of the building SAF3.<sup>280</sup> Once again it can be stated that the current reconstruction places the building SAF2 directly into the southeastern corner of the town, with the eastern fortification wall following at a short distance to the east. All in all, one can conclude that the presumed building SAF3 does not exist in the layout of the 18<sup>th</sup> Dynasty town of Sai Island.

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<sup>277</sup> Cf. AZIM 1975, 109–111.

<sup>278</sup> AZIM 1975, 98, pl. IV, 109.

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