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Status of previously approved PAHO headquarters building renovation project: garage slab repairs

1. This document reports on the renovation of the PAHO Headquarters Building previously approved by the Executive Committee using the PAHO Building Fund resources.

2. At its June 2002 meeting, the Executive Committee approved US\$ 220,000 for repairs to the basement and sub-basement garages of the Headquarters Building which had deteriorated severely due to wear and water damage. While patch repairs have been made since the building was occupied in 1965, an accumulation of severe damage resulting from water, especially tainted from salt used on public highways, will require replacement of sizable portions of the floors. An engineering firm conducted tests and the Organization is awaiting a report which will detail the extent of the problem and several options and costs for repair work. When additional details are available, they will be provided to the Executive Committee.

3. Currently \$5,200 has been committed to the initial study of the current conditions. The remaining \$214,800 remains available for this project.

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