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**REGIONAL OFFICE ACCOMMODATION  
PROGRESS REPORT**

The Regional Office is studying architectural options for extension of the premises and intends submitting a final proposal to the Executive Board in January 1990.

**1. BACKGROUND**

The space limitations of the Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean Region were documented for the Regional Committee in 1987 (EM/RC34/18). It was subsequently agreed to extend the building in Alexandria (EM/RC34/R.15) and the Forty-first Session of the World Health Assembly (1988) approved an amount of US\$10 000 to carry out an architectural and planning study of various options.

**2. PROGRESS SINCE THIRTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

The Regional Office has commissioned and received a study of four architectural options to expand its premises. These options are being studied in order to submit a detailed proposal to the Executive Board in January 1990.

The Regional Director is hopeful that at least some Member States will be able to assist in the financing of this project, so as to keep the amount which will be required of the Organization's Real Estate Fund at the lowest possible level.



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**UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
RESOLUTION 44/211 ON A COMPREHENSIVE  
TRIENNIAL POLICY REVIEW OF OPERATIONAL  
ACTIVITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM**

Summary of Recommendations

- Member States have the sole responsibility for coordination of external assistance and the principal responsibility for its design and management.
- A coordinated approach of predictable, substantial external developmental assistance including those of UN System, would be more conducive to planned deployment and rapid progress.
- WHO has considered the numerous developmental issues stated in the UNGA Resolution 44/211 and has already taken several actions in conformity with them.
- WHO has maintained and continues to maintain close collaboration with Member countries and provide technical inputs in consonance with the spirit of sectoral and intersectoral action and total development.
- Still greater cooperation as needed within the UN System would be productive and, if required the Director General could set up an appropriate mechanism for the purpose, with participation from the regions.
- WHO, being an intergovernmental agency with its own constitution, governing bodies and independent funding, should maintain its visibility globally and regionally and at the country level.