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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE PROJECT TO UPGRADE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY STANDARDS FOR THE EXISTING WIPO BUILDINGS

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INTRODUCTION

- 1. The purpose of this document is to present to the Program and Budget Committee (PBC) a progress report on the project to upgrade the safety and security standards for the existing WIPO buildings covering the period since the presentation of the previous progress report during the fifteenth session of the PBC in September 2010 (WO/PBC/15/21).
- 2. It is recalled that the project to upgrade the safety and security standards of the buildings owned by WIPO is in line with the implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations Security Management System and that it concerns the upgrading to the United Nations Headquarters Minimum Operational Security Standard (UN H-MOSS).

MODIFICATION OF THE CONCEPT OF A SECURITY PERIMETER

3. It is recalled that, within the context of the normal processing of the initial application for a building permit for the construction of the security perimeter, the relevant service of the Host Country informed WIPO of an unfavorable opinion requesting changes to the original project.

- 4. On receiving this communication, the Secretariat immediately entered into discussions with the relevant services of the Host Country concerning possible options and alternatives with regard to the Organization's security perimeter concept.
- 5. As a result of these discussions, during the summer of 2010 the Secretariat modified the specifications of the security perimeter and developed a new project, taking into account the constraints linked to right of way in Chemin des Colombettes and to an organization that remains open to the outside while enjoying adequate protection against current and emerging risks.
- 6. This modified version of the security concept includes the following elements:
 - (i) Complete anti-vehicle protection around all of the Organization's buildings, consisting of a combination of fixed and retractable obstacles;
 - (ii) Maintenance of pedestrian right of way in Chemin des Colombettes;
 - (iii) Maintenance of pedestrian access to the WIPO park;
 - (iv) Maintenance of the pedestrian walkway between the PCT and GB II buildings;
 - (v) Pedestrian guard rails (barrier) along the length of Chemin des Colombettes;
 - (vi) A significant reduction in the height (-30 cm) of the pedestrian guard rails, from 250 cm to 220 cm.

APPLICATION FOR A BUILDING PERMIT FOR THE SECURITY PERIMETER

7. A further application for a building permit was filed with the Department of Construction and Information Technology (DCTI) of the Office of Building Permits of the Republic and Canton of Geneva on June 9, 2011.

COORDINATION WITH THE HOST COUNTRY

- 8. In its role as representative of the Host Country and with the aim of ensuring effective and coordinated management of the project to build a security perimeter, the Building Foundation for International Organizations (FIPOI), together with the WIPO Secretariat, signed a Memorandum of Understanding on June 21, 2011, under which FIPOI would manage the works in collaboration with WIPO.
- 9. It is recalled that the Host Country finances the protection measures for the existing WIPO buildings (AB/GBI/GBII/PCT). The security perimeters for the new building and the future conference hall are fully financed by WIPO. Consequently, the Memorandum of Understanding sets out the principles of coordination between WIPO and FIPOI with regard to the completion of the entirety of the security perimeter surrounding both existing and future WIPO buildings.

PROGRESS REPORT

- 10. It is recalled that the project to upgrade safety and security standards consists of three main phases:
 - (a) Phase I, the preliminary project, consists in gathering and analyzing the necessary information on the systems, infrastructure and cabling of the existing buildings in order to draw up safety and security plans and a security concept in accordance with the project framework and the H-MOSS standards.
 - (b) Phase II involves the preparation of the specifications, including the execution dossiers for the firms, issuing requests for proposals and acquiring the equipment and systems.
 - (c) Phase III relates to the execution of the work up to the full handover of the installations to WIPO and staff training.
- 11. At the time of writing this document, the main elements of the project were in the following phases:

Project element	Current state	Forecast
Security perimeter measures	Phase II ongoing	Phase III as of November 2011
Internal security measures	Phase II ongoing	Phase III as of November 2011

12. The project planning, especially the phasing of the construction of the new conference hall, will have to be adjusted to the date the building permit is granted for the security perimeter.

OBJECTIVES ACHIEVED BETWEEN JUNE 2010 AND END OF MAY 2011

13. As planned, the LAN computer network for safety and security applications has been deployed in the New Construction Project (first step for the network). This first phase of installation was signed off on May 13, 2011, the Secretariat being fully satisfied in that regard. Installation will be completed following the construction of the Control Center in the G. Bodenhausen I (GB I) building and the deployment of internal security measures (steps 2 and 3) (balance for the existing buildings (AB/GB II/PCT) to follow).

OBJECTIVES BEING WORKED ON SINCE MAY 2011

- 14. Given the modification of the security perimeter, work is still ongoing to produce the documents (Phase II) for the internal measures. The internal measures must take into account the new layout of the security perimeter.
- 15. The preliminary and preparatory phases of the Control Center project have been completed. The Secretariat will initiate the execution phase at the beginning of autumn 2011 in order to ensure that the Control Center is ready to receive the new systems and equipment for the security perimeter as of spring 2012.

16. An application for a building permit for the Control Center was filed with the relevant services of the Host Country on June 14, 2011.

USE OF THE APPROVED BUDGET

17. It is recalled that the financing for installing the security perimeter for the existing buildings will be paid up to a limit of 5,000,000 Swiss francs by the Host Country, the Organization's share of the financing will be 7,600,000 Swiss francs (see documents WO/PBC/13/6(a) and WO/PBC/14/11).

Subject	Amounts approved by the Member States in December 2008	Estimate June 2011
Existing buildings		
External measures	4,856,960	7,950,411
Internal measures	4,743,040	4,590,000
Total	9,600,000	12,540,411
WIPO financing	7,600,000	7,540,411
	Host Country financing	
	2008	2011
Host Country participation	2,000,000	5,000,000
Balance	0	59,589

- 18. It is recalled that the final cost of the project will depend on the requests for proposals, which will be issued in accordance with the procurement and purchase procedure.
- 19. All the project recommendations are to be implemented, taking into account various factors (in particular, technical constraints, technological advances, progress in terms of coordination between the various construction projects, the state of expenditure). Work on the essential elements of the project will therefore be undertaken as a matter of priority. The remaining elements will be added in the light of developments concerning safety and security standards over the coming years and their implementation.

20. At the time of writing this document, 1,553,199 Swiss francs from the approved budget had been committed, with the breakdown as follows:

Work, fees, etc.	Amount in Swiss francs
Security perimeter (safety measures for the access ramp to the AB car park)	340,765
Fees (architects, civil engineers, electrical engineers, heating, ventilation, AC and sanitation engineer, security specialists, FIPOI) Secondary fees (permits, taxes and other)	990,301
Electrical installations & equipment	222,133
Total committed by WIPO up to May 31, 2011	1,553,199
Amount approved by Member States in December 2008 (document A/46/10 Rev.)	7,600,000
Available balance	6,046,801

21. At the time of writing this document, 844,662 Swiss francs had been used from the reserve fund, with the breakdown as follows:

Work, fees, etc.	Amount in Swiss francs
Security perimeter (safety measures for the access ramp to the AB car park)	205,154
Fees (architects, civil engineers, electrical engineers, heating, ventilation, AC and sanitation engineer, security specialists, FIPOI) Secondary fees (permits, taxes and other)	504,631
Electrical installations & equipment	134,877
Total spent by WIPO up to May 31, 2011	844,662
Total allocated by WIPO up to May 31, 2011	1,553,199
Outstanding balance	708,537

PLANNING

22. For information purposes, the provisional schedule for the project has been included in the annex to the present report.

23. The Program and Budget Committee is invited to take note of this report.

[Annex follows]

Project to upgrade the safety and security standards for the existing WIPO buildings

Provisional schedule

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