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Mr. Geoffrey Griffis, Chairperson
District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
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Re: Case number 16882, 2118 Kalorama Road, NW, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

Dear Chairman Griffis:

Attached are three drawings that show the second floor of the chancery where the addition of the office for the Ambassador of Algeria triggered the subject to disapproval hearing scheduled for 9:30 AM June 11, 2002.

The first drawing (D3) shows a red area, which was the configuration of the Ambassador's office, the two required support staff to be near the ambassador, and the conference room. This is the pre-fire condition. Note that the building had no elevator, an illegal spiral staircase, and an open main staircase, all of which were not code compliant.

The District of Columbia Building and Land Administration, and the Hartford Insurance Company, both insisted that the building be made code compliant, and sprinkled, to avert any future tragedy such as happened to the Chancery in January of 2001 when it burned down. As a result of enclosing the stairway and adding an elevator, the office space was re-configured to provide the same basic arrangement, and the Ambassador essentially lost his office.

The second, blue highlighted drawing shows the current condition, where the conference

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room is intact, and the two support staff have their offices, but the Ambassador's office is not large enough to allow him to function the same as the pre-fire condition. Therefore, we have the third proposed drawing showing the addition on the existing footprint of the Ambassador's addition, which leaves us with a similar cluster of two support staff, conference room, and Ambassador's Office.

These three drawings were helpful to me, and I am certain the Board will appreciate them also. I am having original copies in color made of these three graphics to distribute with the mailing to the BZA Members with the mail out.

Sincerely,

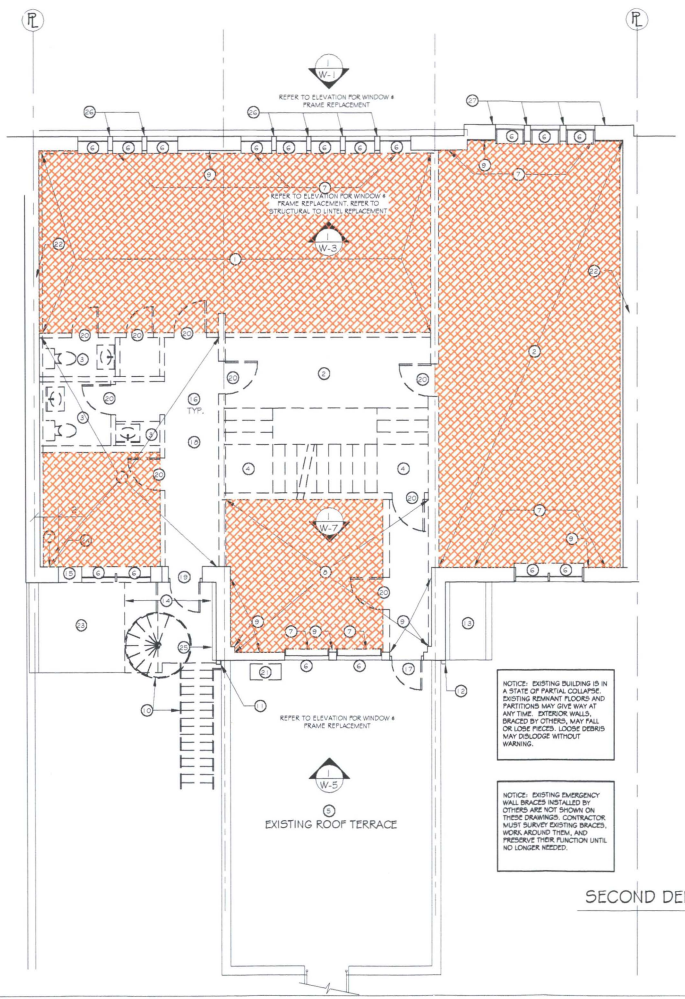
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SECOND DEMOLITION FLOOR PLAN 1/D-3

0 2' 4' 8' 12

NOTES

1. EXISTING SECOND FLOOR COLLAPSED. REMOVE ALL FINISHES, FURRING, GWB, INSULATION AS REQUIRED.
2. REMOVE ALL FLOORING AND SHEATHING FROM EXISTING FLOOR SYSTEMS. INSPECT FLOOR JOISTS AND BEARING CONDITIONS. REVIEW STRUCTURAL REMNANTS WITH ARCHITECT TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF SAVING.
3. REMOVE ALL PLUMBING TOILET RM. FIXTURES SALVAGE THOSE WHICH CAN BE RESTORED FOR RE-INSTALLATION.
4. REMOVE STAIR SYSTEM AND RAILS. SALVAGE BRASS BRACKETS.
5. GC TO RID DEBRIS AND REMNANTS OF FIRE DAMAGE.
6. REMOVE DAMAGES WINDOWS. REFER TO ELEVATION.
7. REMOVE ALL KNEE-WALLS FINISHES OR KNEE-WALL REMNANTS PERIMETER RIGID INSULATION, FURRING, INTERIOR WALL TRIM AND GWB AS REQUIRED. DO NOT REMOVE PLASTER INSULATION ON EXISTING MASONRY WALLS.
8. WINDOW TO R.I.P.
9. DAMAGED EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR MASONRY WALLS CONDITIONS TO BE SURVEYED FOR STRUCTURAL ANALYSIS. REFER TO STRUCTURAL DWGS.
10. REMOVE STEEL STAIR ASSEMBLY, INCLUDING COLUMN.
11. REMOVE R.W.L.
12. R.W.L. TO R.I.P.
13. ROOF TO R.I.P.
14. REMOVE ROOF WHERE DEMOLITION OCCURS. REFER TO SHEET A-2
15. PROVIDE 2'-0" W AND 4'-8" HIGH M.O. FOR FUTURE WINDOW INSTALLATION. REFER TO ELEVATION.
16. REMOVE ALL FIRE SAFETY EQUIPMENT AS REQUIRED.
17. REMOVE WINDOW # FRAME. SEE ELEVATIONS.
18. REMOVE ALL MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, TYP IN DEMOLITION.
19. REMOVE DAMAGES STEEL DOOR, FRAME, # HARDWARE.
20. REMOVE DOORS, FRAME, # HARDWARE AS REQUIRED.

LEGEND

EXISTING

WALL TO BE REMOVED

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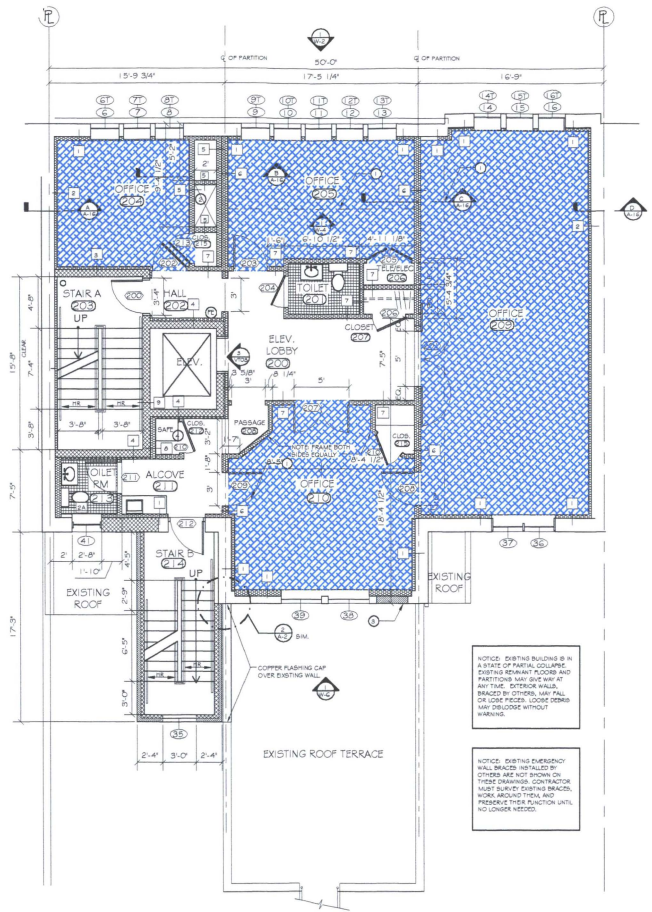
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SHEET D-3

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SECOND FLOOR PLAN (1 / A-3)
Scale: 1/4"= 1'-0"
0 2' 4' 8' 12'

NOTES

1. LINE OF BULKHEAD ABOVE. SEE REFLECTED CEILING PLAN.
2. MECHANICAL DUCT SHAFT. REFER TO ENGINEERING DRAWINGS.
3. FILL EXISTING OPENING WITH BRICK.
4. SAFE LOCATION. SEE STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR FLOOR FRAMING.

LEGEND

- EXISTING TO REMAIN IN PLACE
- NEW WOOD STUD WALL
- NEW CMU WALL
- WALL TYPE SYMBOL. REFER TO PARTITION TYPE SHEET
- NEW FIRE EXTINGUISHER
- ROOM NAME / # — ROOM TAG
- # — DOOR TAG
- # — WINDOW TAG

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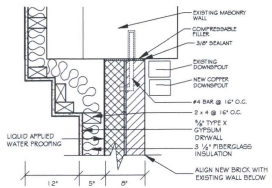
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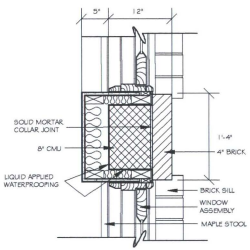
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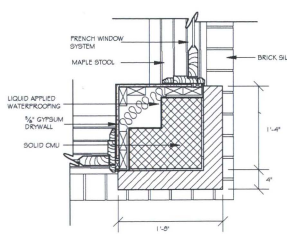
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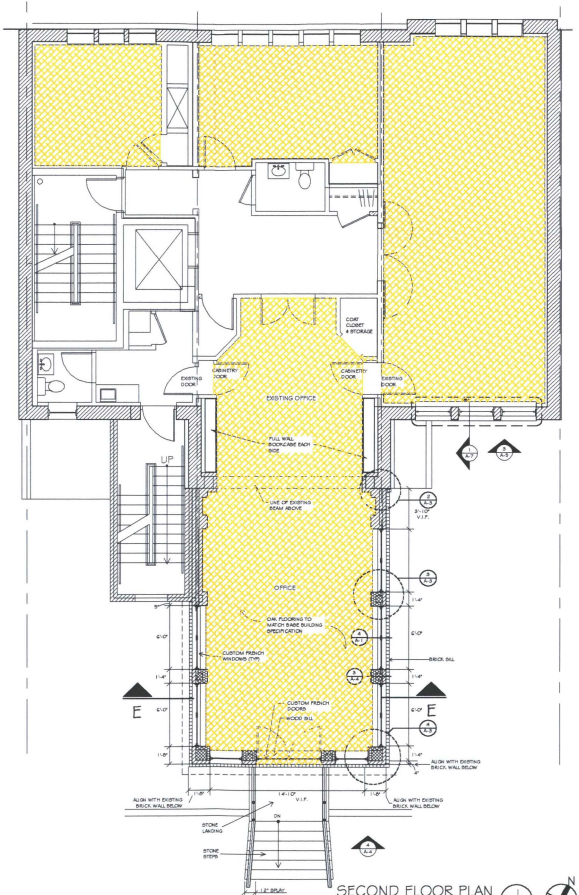
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PIER & WINDOW JAMB (3 / A-3)
Scale: 1-½"=1'-0"



CORNER (4 / A-3)
Scale: 1-½"=1'-0"



SECOND FLOOR PLAN (1 / A-3)
Scale: ¼"=1'-0"

LEGEND
- EXISTING TO REMAIN IN PLACE
- NEW WOOD STUD WALL
- NEW CMU WALL
- NEW BRICK WALL

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