

Ceyun Atif Kansu Cad. No: 128 Balgat
Ankara, Turkey

Architects	Ahmet Vefik Alp Ankara, Turkey
Clients	National Action Party (MHP) Ankara, Turkey
Commission	1995
Design	1999 - 2000
Construction	2000 - 2004
Occupancy	2004
Site	3,889 m ²
Ground floor	1,450 m ²
Total floor	29,000 m ²
Costs	18,000,000 USD

Programme The headquarters of Turkey’s National Action Party aim to strike a balance between the old and the new, in keeping with the party’s political philosophy. Elements of the old are to be found in the ‘Seljuk-style’ entrance portal, or in the Ottoman-inspired cupola of the Presidential Pavilion. The new resides in the high-tech construction. The facades of the reinforced concrete structure are finished in vertically striated, glass-reinforced precast concrete panels and in ‘liquid plastic’. Alongside the administrative offices, the complex contains a range of social and cultural spaces, including a museum, café and library, which are designed to draw in the public.



POLITICAL PARTY HDQS ANKARA, TURKEY



STREET FACADE

More than a Party Center, A Symbol, a Social Locus...

THE HDQS OF THE NATIONAL ACTION PARTY ‘MHP’ SITS ON A 4.000 M2 LAND IN ANKARA. THE TURKISH CAPITAL. THE ENCLOSED AREA TOTALS 29.000 M2. THE CONSTRUCTION COST IS 18.000.000 USD.

THE ENSEMBLE IS CONCEIVED IN HIGH-TECH STYLE IN A VIBRANT GEOMETRY WHICH OCCASIONALLY REFERS TO THE TURKISH-ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE AND EMBRACES THE OLD AND THE NEW IN A SENSITIVE BALANCE: AN ATTITUDE THAT REFLECTS THE PARTY’S POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY.

THE MAIN ENTRANCE FACING THE STREET LEADS TO THE 9 FLOOR-HIGH ATRIUM-LOBBY. THE MAIN GATE IS EMPHASIZED BY A SELJUKI PORTAL. A 2ND ENTRANCE ON THE STREET FACADE SERVES THE PRESS CONFERENCE ROOM AND THE POLITICAL SCHOOL. THE BUILDING USES INTELLIGENT TECHNOLOGIES AND IS ACCESS-FREE THROUGHOUT. CULTURAL AND SOCIAL SPACES ENRICH THE PROGRAM. THE 700-SEAT AUDITORIUM, ITS FOYERS, THE CAFETERIA, THE MUSEUM, AND THE LIBRARY OCCUPY THE 1 ST BASEMENT, THE MASJID AND THE CIRCULAR ‘DIVAN ROOM’ FOR CEREMONIES THE 2ND BASEMENT FLOORS. THE THREE LEVELS BELOW HOUSE THE MECH ROOMS, STORES, AND THE GARAGE. 3 ARC-SHAPED OFFICE BLOCKS, 9/12/15 FLOORS RESPECTIVELY, DESCRIBE THE ENSEMBLE AND ENCIRCLE THE TRIANGULAR ATRIUM AND THE SKY-GARDEN ON ITS ROOF. THEIR LAYOUT DELICATELY IMPLIES THE 3-CRESCENT LOGO OF THE PARTY. AT +100 M ON THE TOP OF THE 2 CIRCULATION SHAFTS THE STRUCTURE IS CROWNED BY A STEEL STRUCTURE REVERSED COUPOLA HOUSING THE VIP RESTAURANT AND THE HELIPORT.

ON THE REAR, THE CIRCULAR PRESIDENTIAL PAVILLION CROWNED BY A COUPOLA IS REMINISCENT OF THE TURKISH-OTTOMAN ARCHITECTURE. ITS GROUND LEVEL ACCOMODATES THE PROTOCOLE ENTRANCE DIRECTLY ACCESSIBLE FROM THE STREET. THE LOBBY, THE OFFICE SUITE OF THE PRESIDENT, THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ROOM AND THE PRESIDENT’S PRIVATE DINING ARE LOCATED ON THE, 3,4 AND 5 TH LEVELS OF THE PAVILLION.



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VIEW FROM KONYA ROAD



VIEW FROM SOUTH-EAST



PRESIDENTIAL PAVILLION



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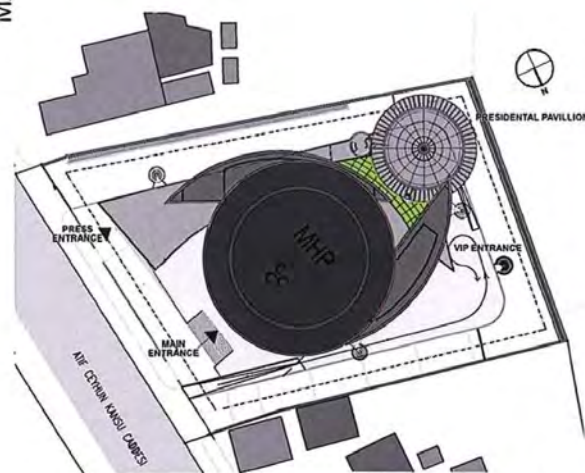
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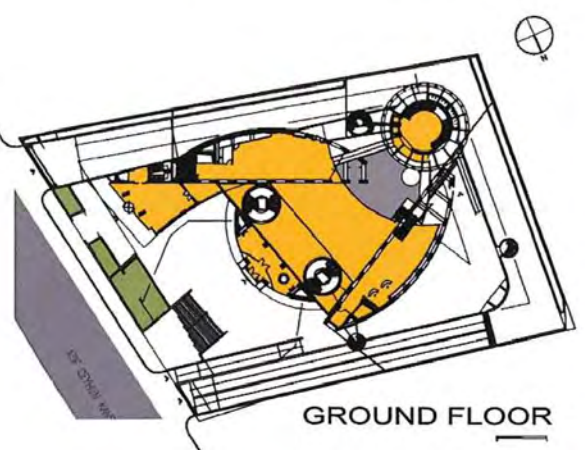
'Collision of Geometries and Styles'

THE ENSEMBLE WORKS AS A 'TOTAL SPACE' AND ENJOYS 'INTERNAL TRANSPARENCY'. THE ATRIUM-COURT SERVES A MEETING FOCUS FOR THE PARTY'S FOLLOWERS.

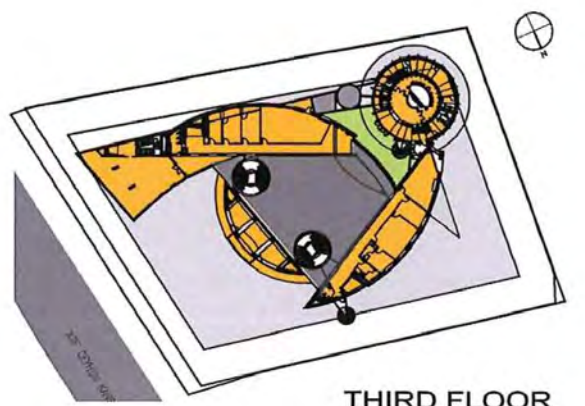
THE PROJECT HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED BY THE FOUNDER AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE PARTY. THE ARCHITECT HAS PREPARED THREE ALTERNATIVES SCHEMES PRESENTED TO THE VOTE OF THE 70-MEMBER PARTY'S COUNCIL. THE EXECUTED SCHEME HAS BEEN SELECTED BY AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY. THE BUILDING IS PERCEIVED AS THE LANDMARK OF THE CAPITAL AS WELL AS THE SYMBOL OF THE TURKISH-ISLAMIC SOCIETIES WORLDWIDE.



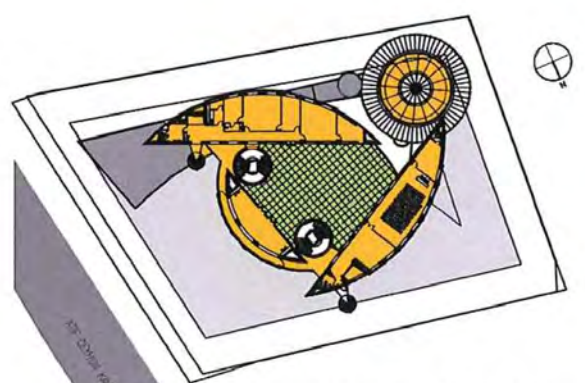
SITE PLAN



GROUND FLOOR



THIRD FLOOR



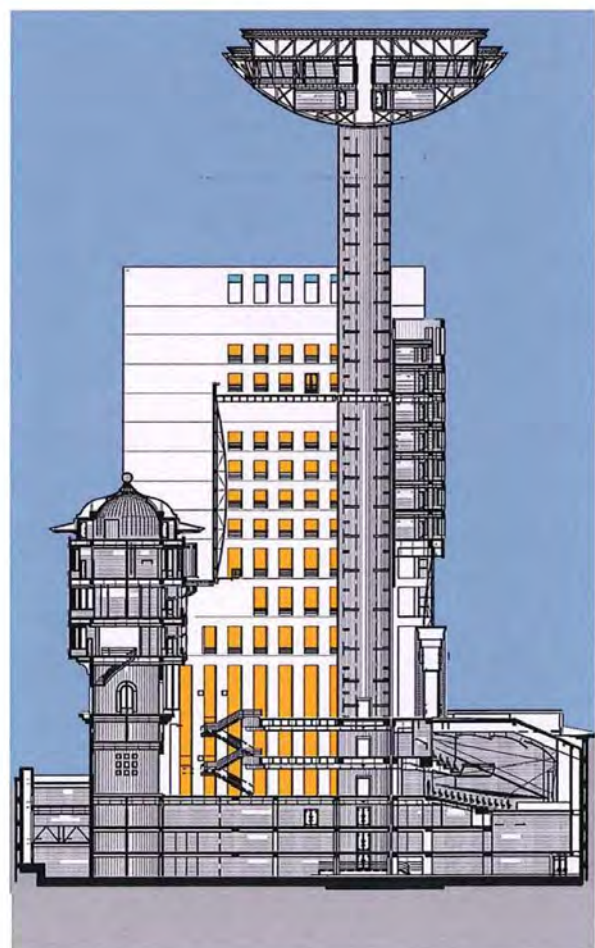
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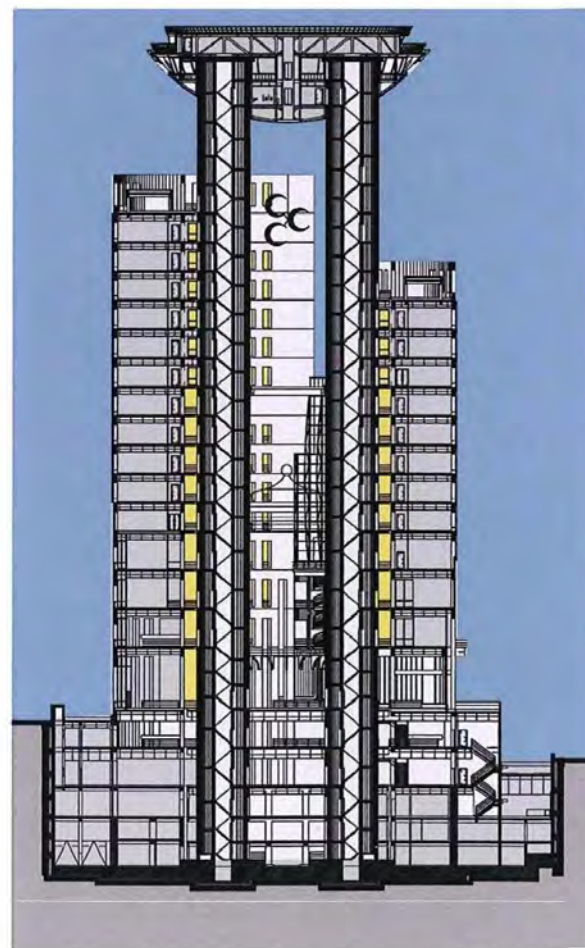
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VIEW FROM ATRIUM



LONGITUDINAL SECTION



TRANSVERSAL SECTION

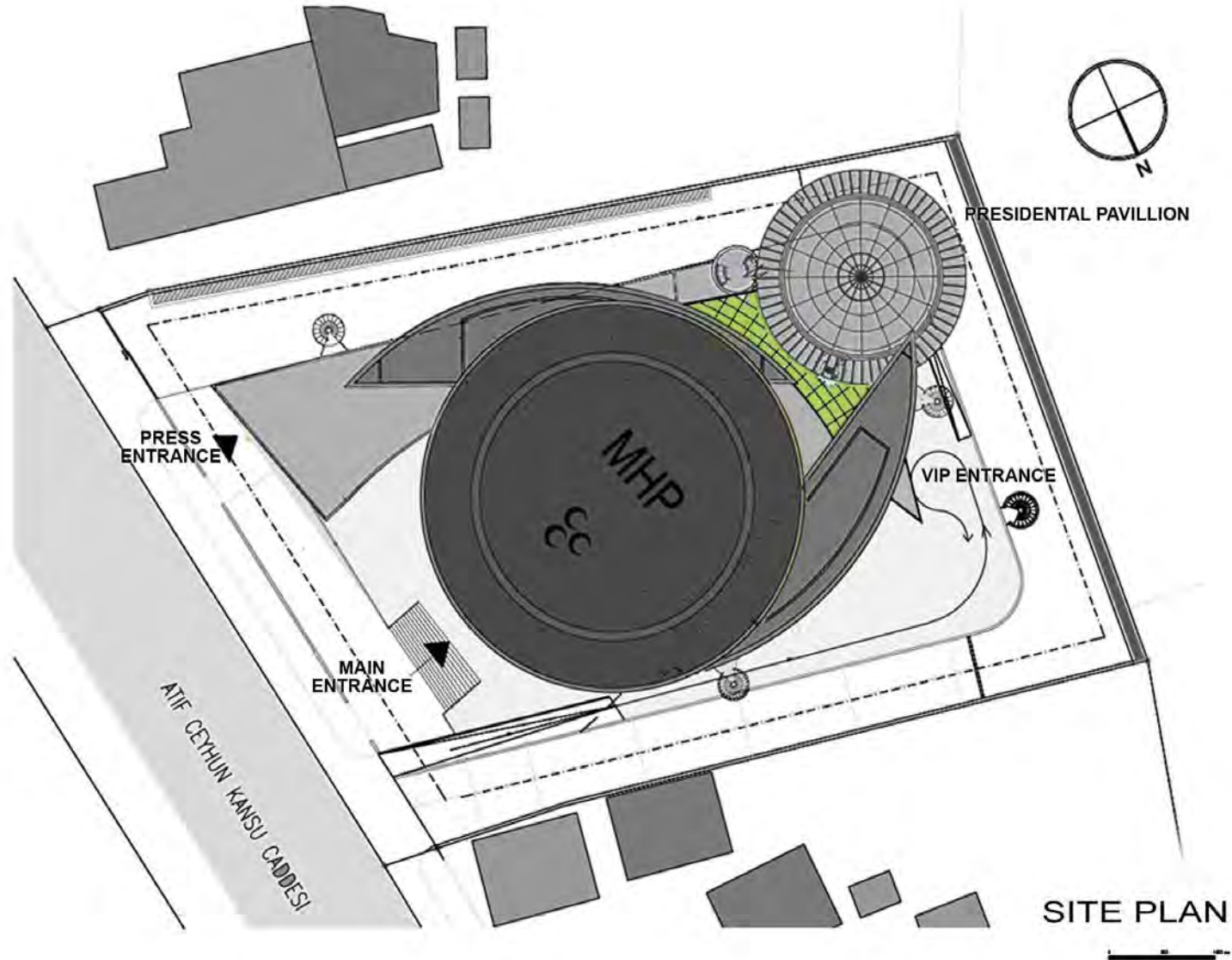


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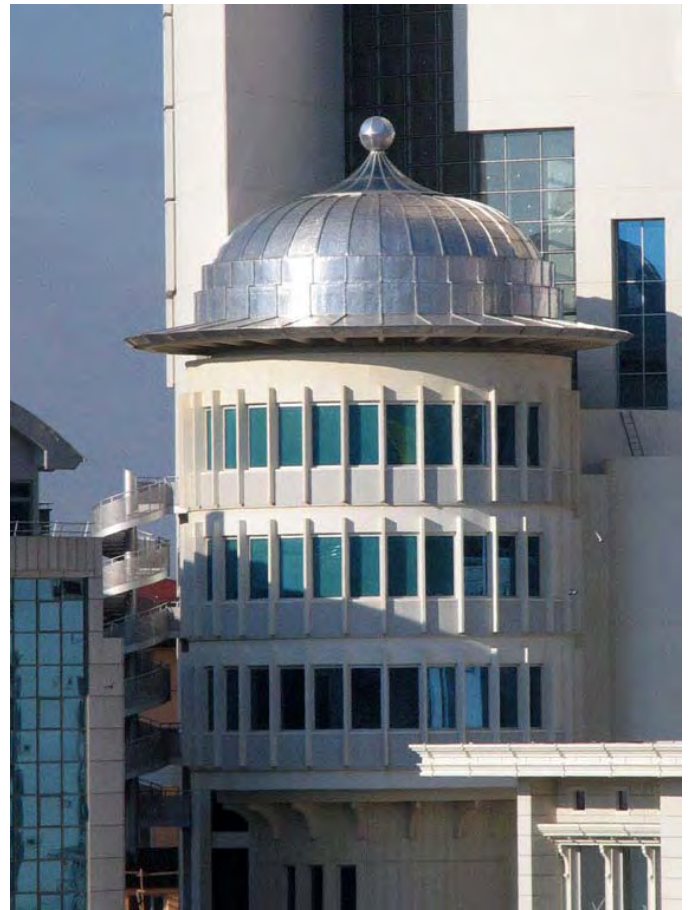
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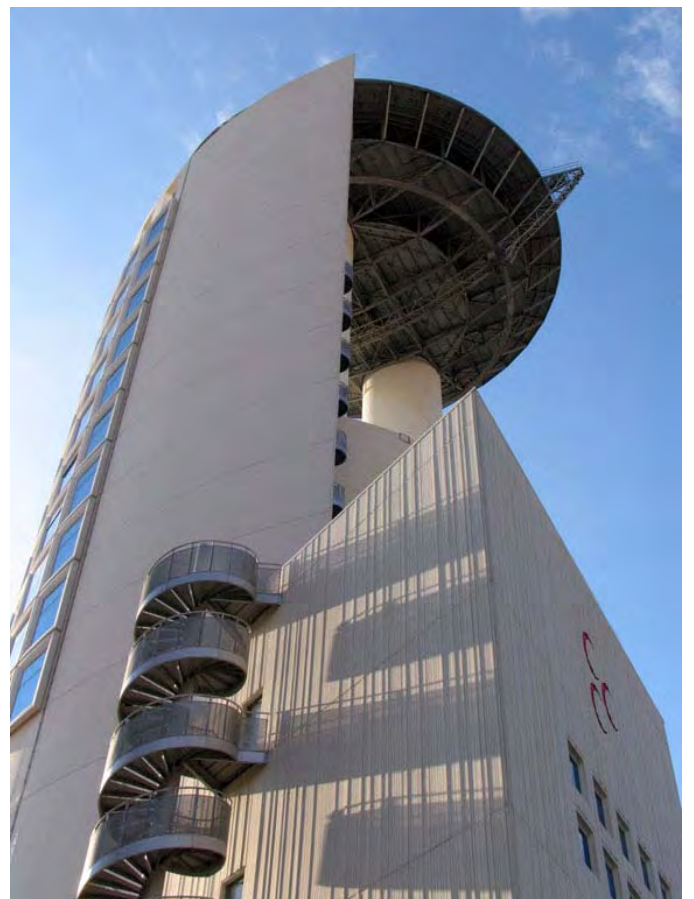
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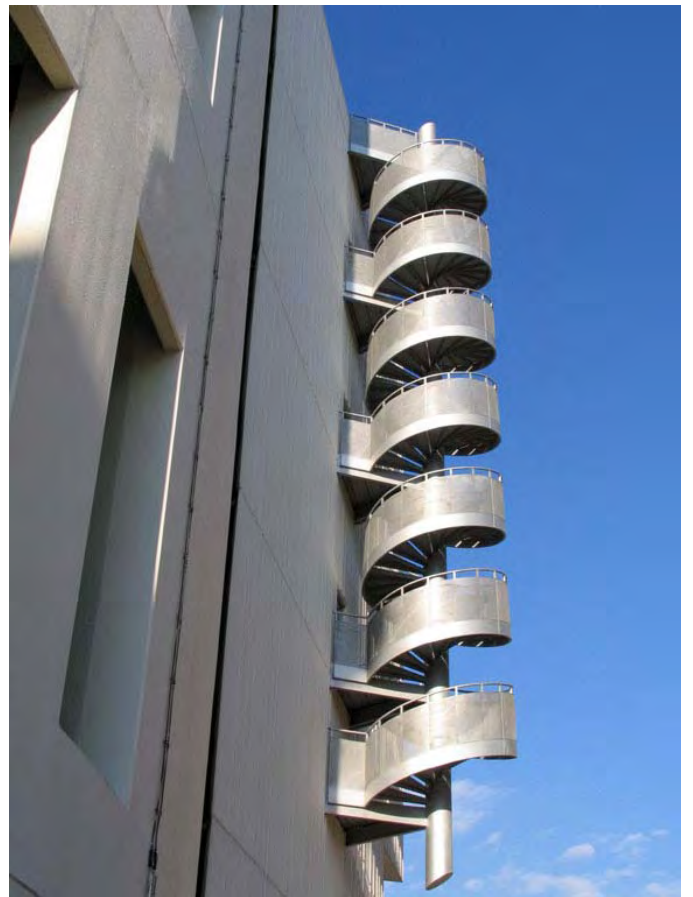
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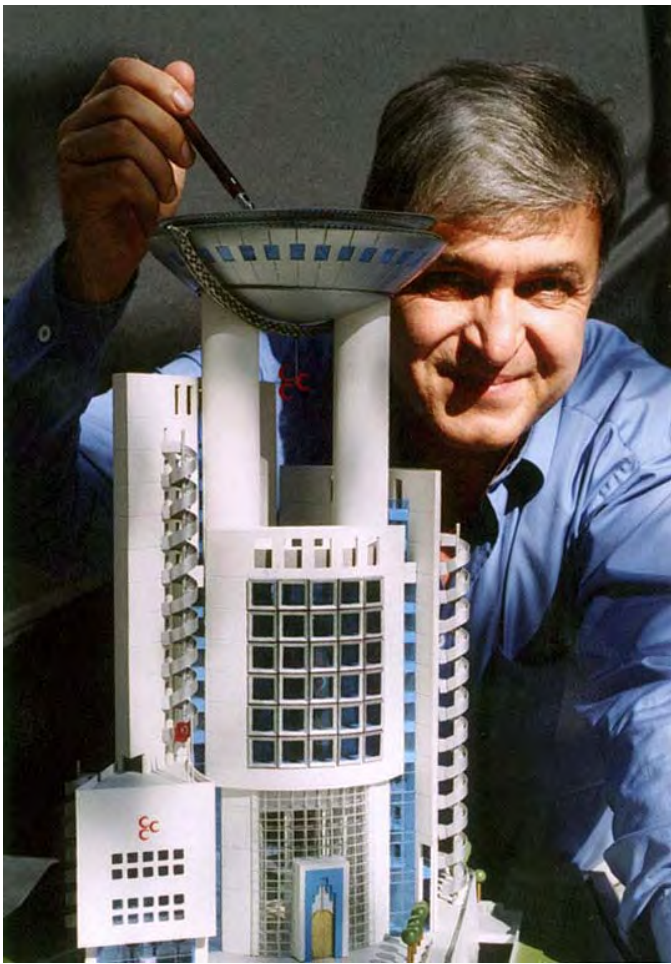
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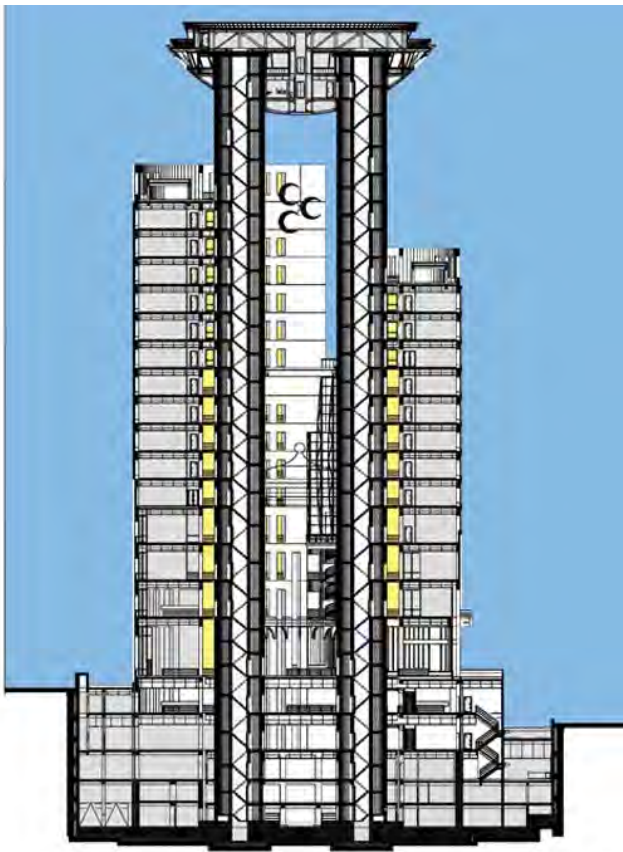
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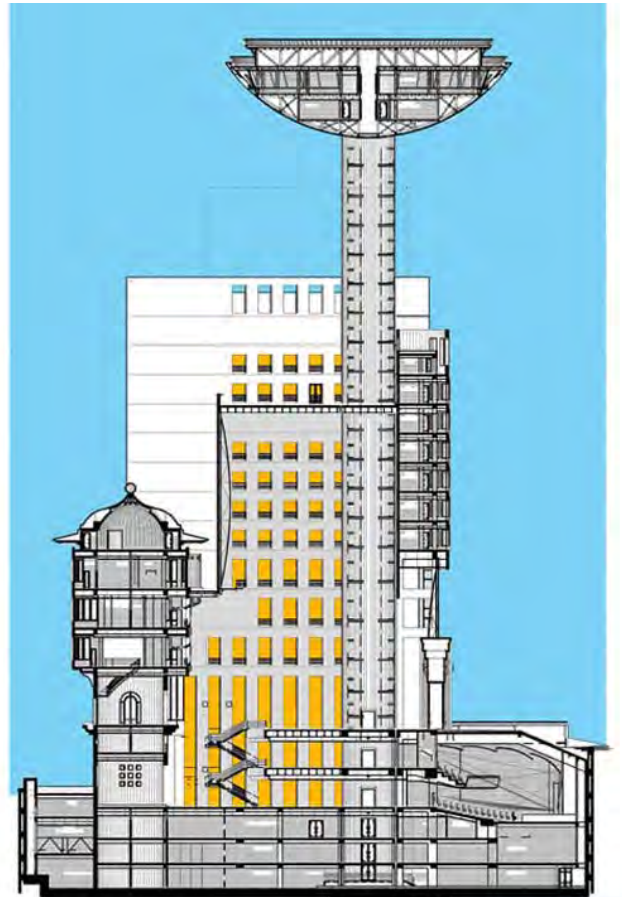


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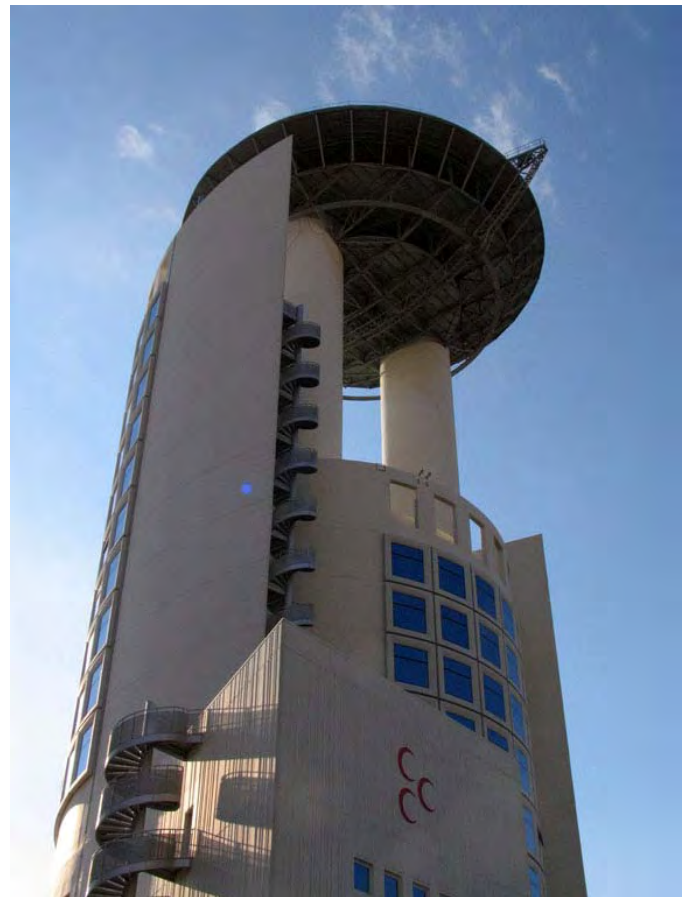


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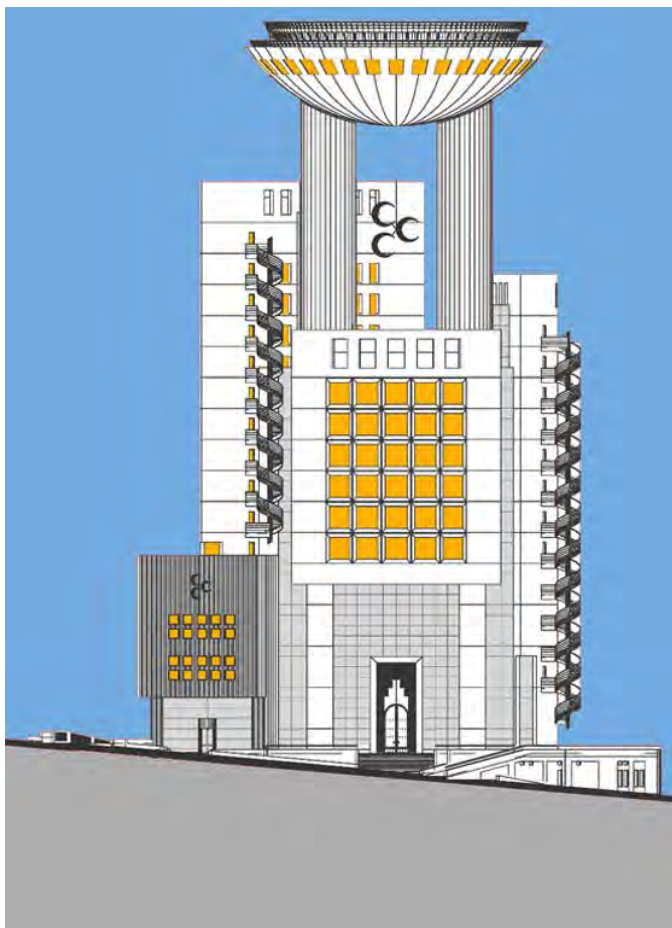
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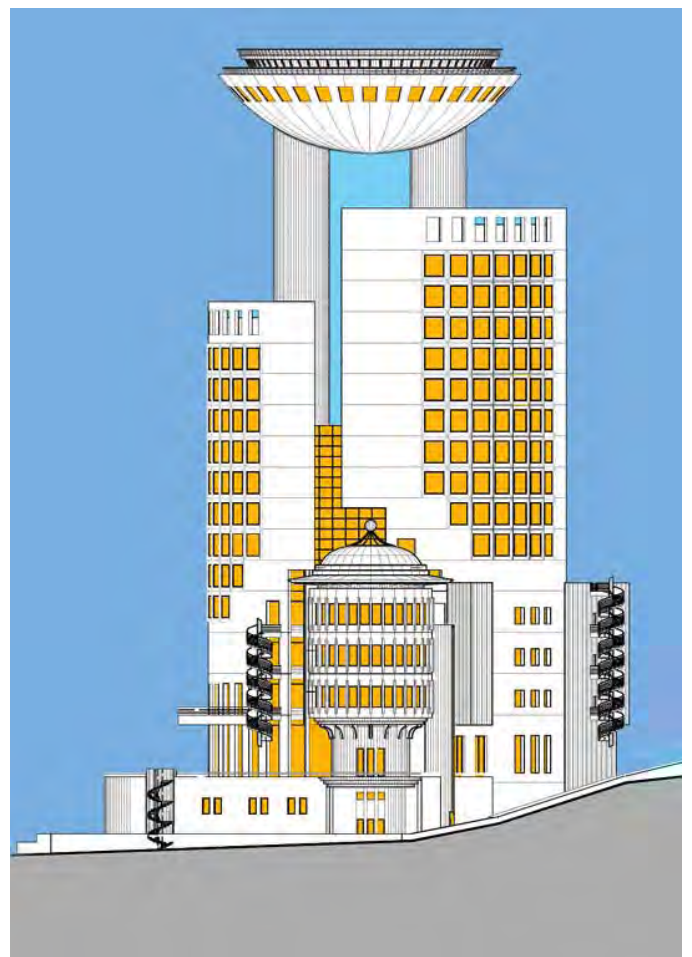
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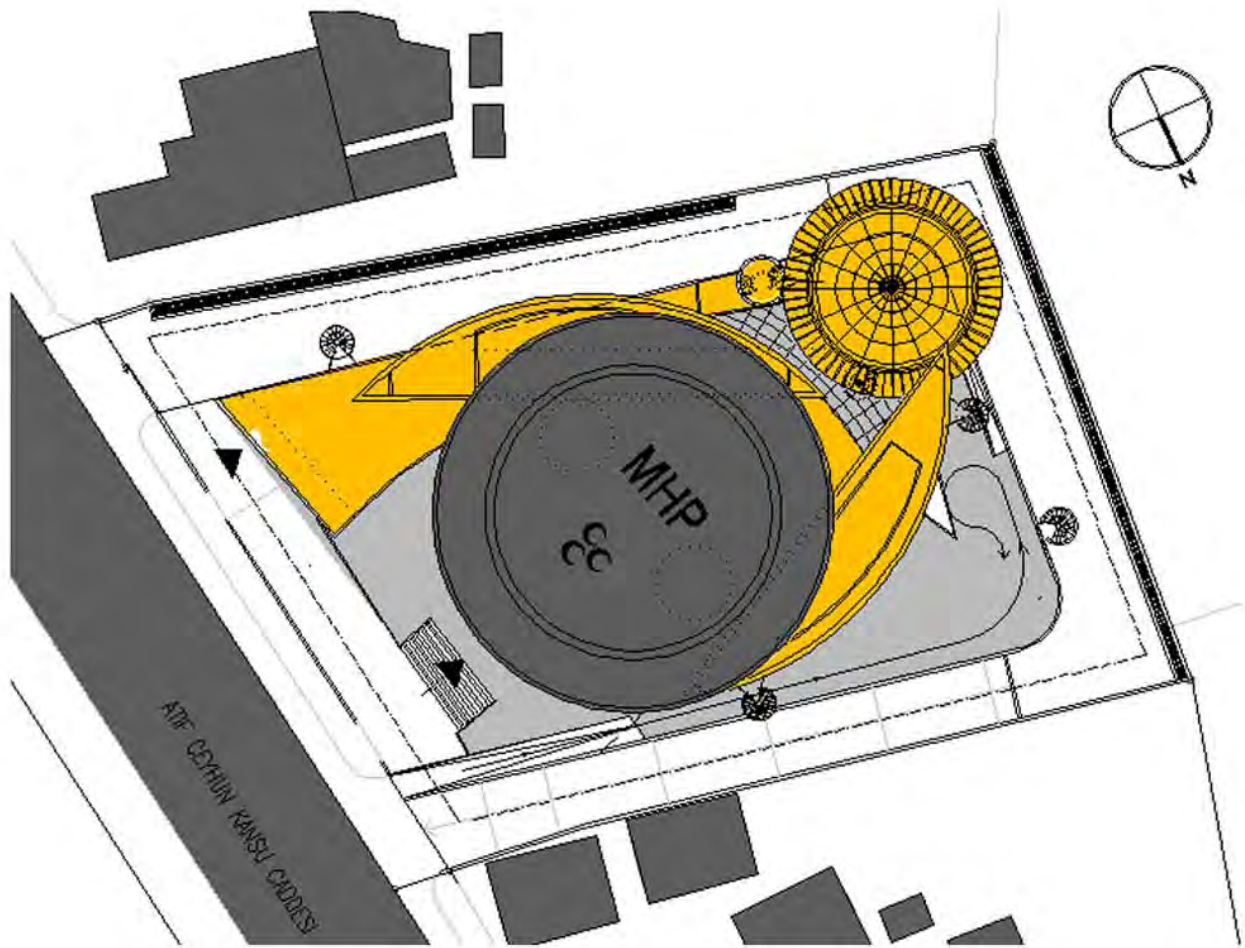
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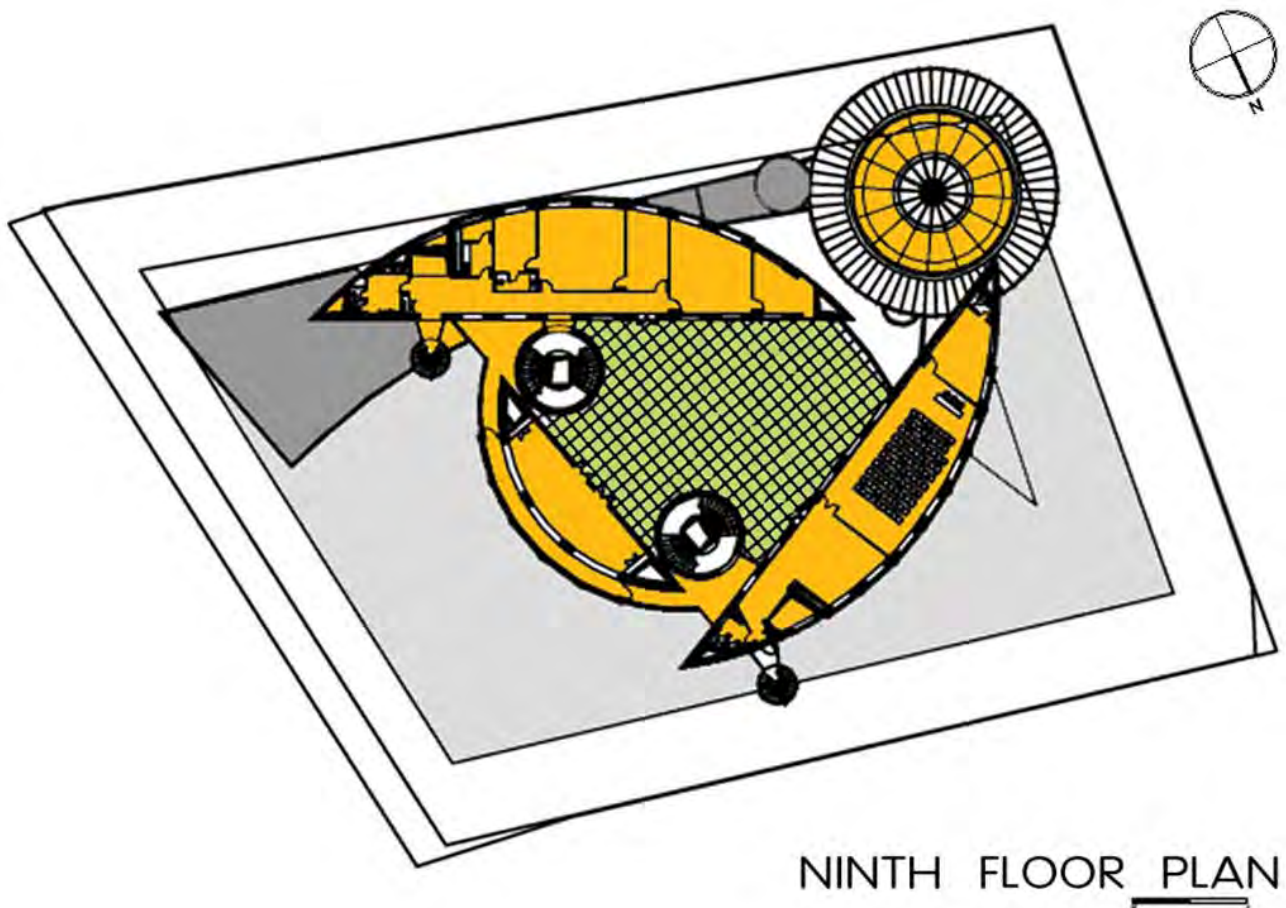
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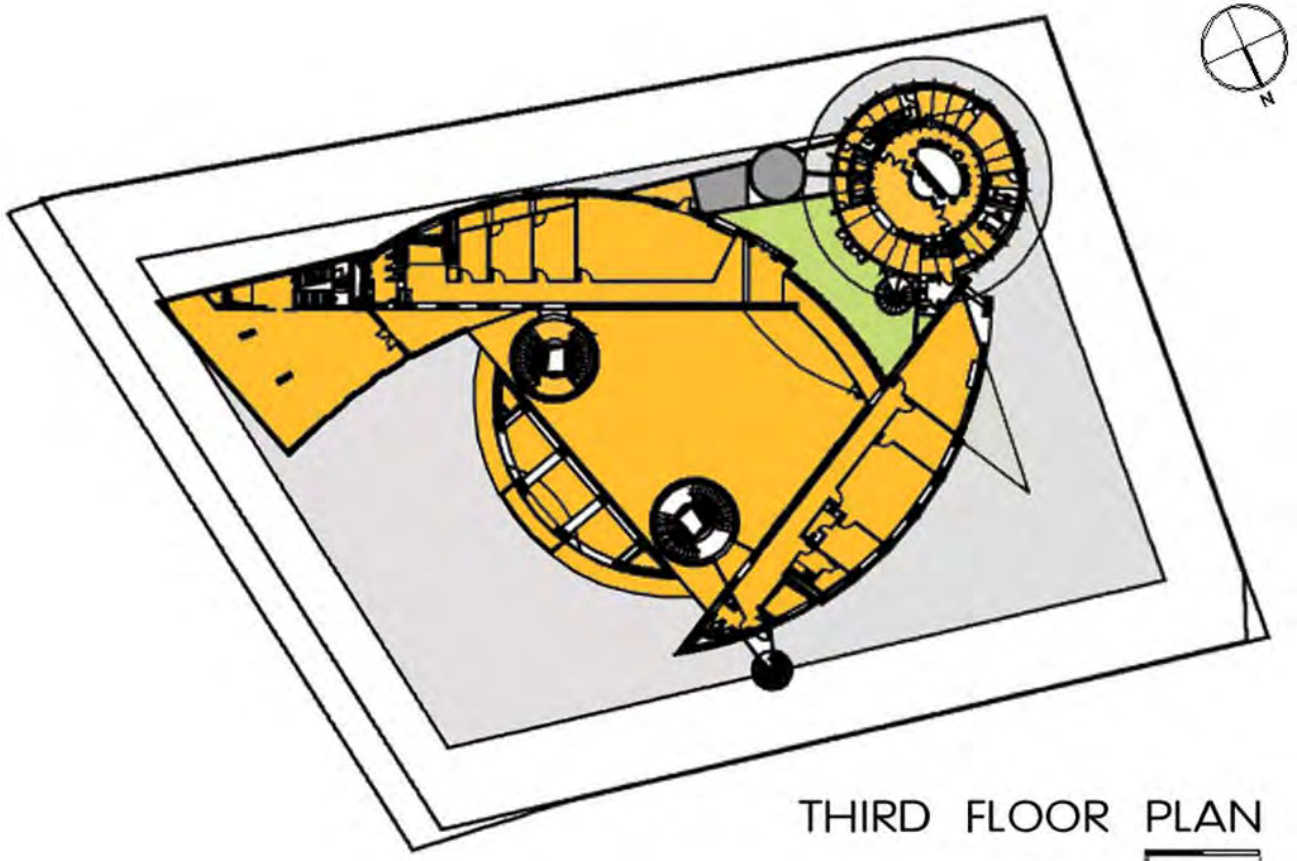
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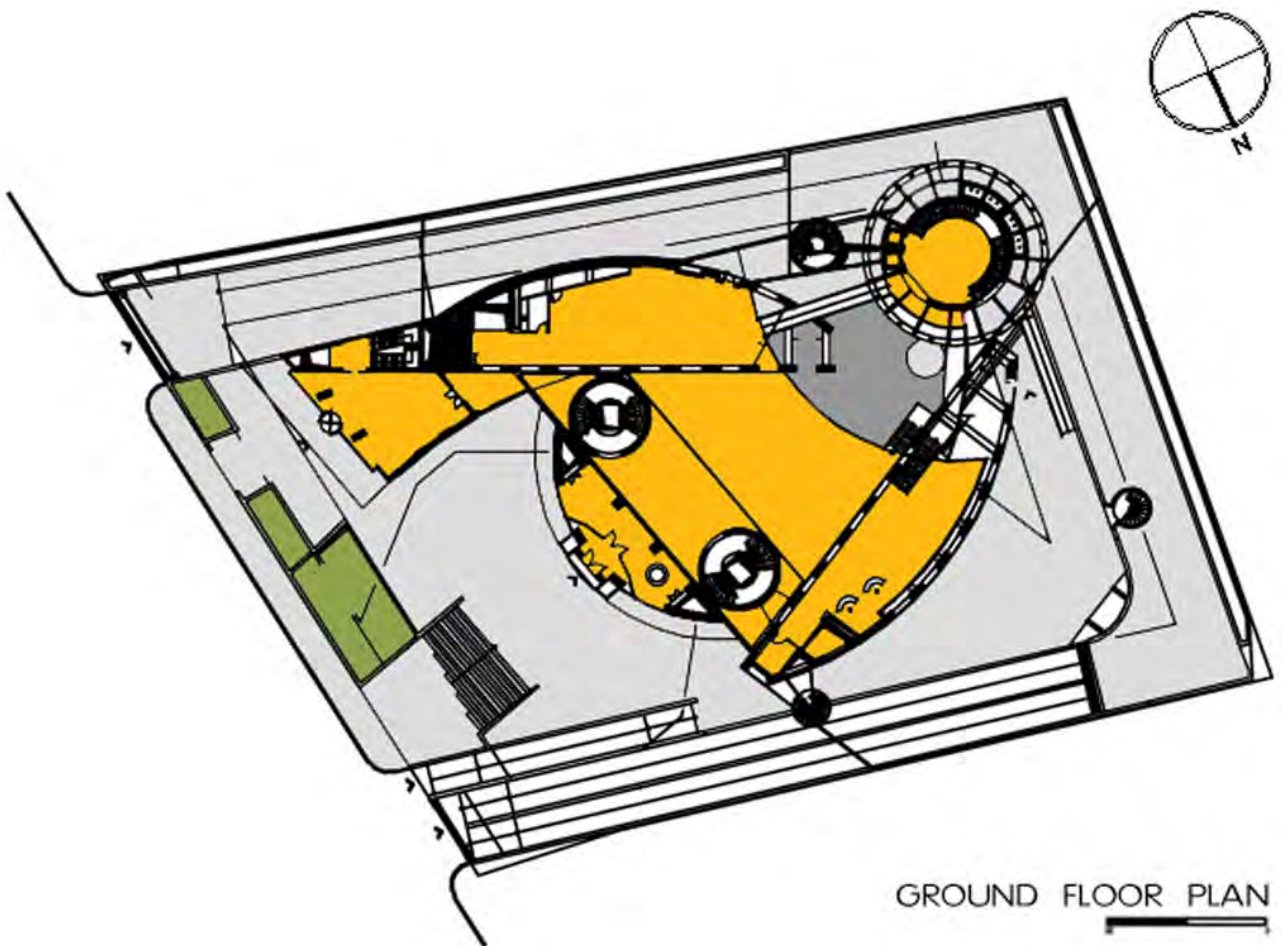
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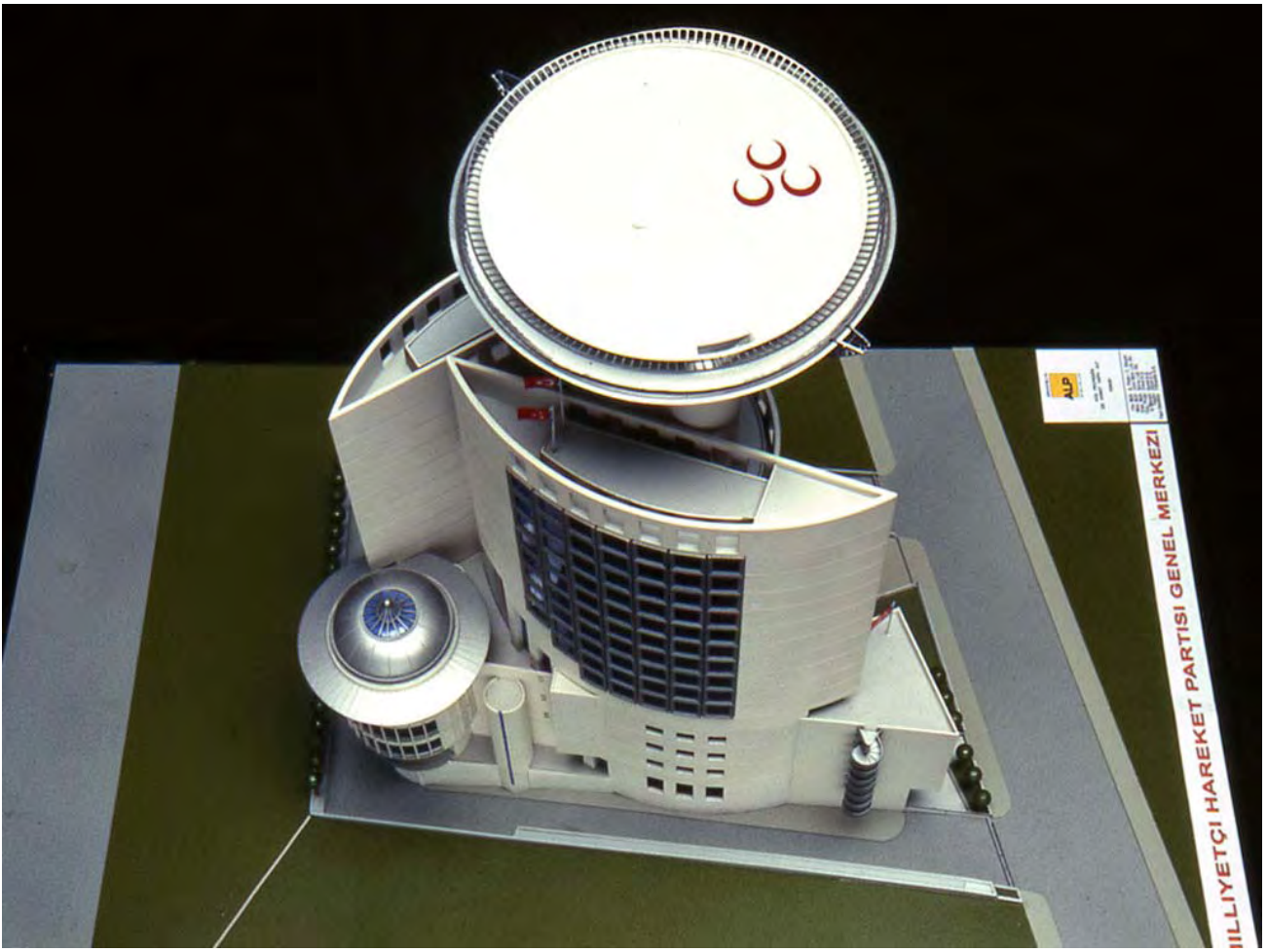
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