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WHEELCHAIRS FOR EMERGENCY USE

ACCESSIBILITY

Background – The Security and Safety Service plays a crucial role in maintaining a secure environment and is equipped to respond to emergencies, medical incidents, and unexpected situations. Currently, the Service maintains a small stock of wheelchairs intended for emergency or short-term use, but many of these units are outdated, limiting their accessibility.

Scope – Replacing outdated emergency-use wheelchairs with modern and accessible models will provide safe and reliable support for persons with reduced mobility during evacuations, medical emergencies, or unforeseen incidents. The access point will be Pregny Gate as a primary access for persons with mobility impairments.

Impact

- New wheelchairs improve emergency response for persons with disabilities by providing safe, accessible, and reliable mobility, supporting the implementation of the UN Disability Inclusion Strategy.
- Wheelchairs could also be used by delegates or staff with temporary mobility impairments, for example following an accident.



Accessibility

Estimated Cost

Costs depend on the model of wheelchairs to be installed (CHF 8000 – CHF 20000).

Location

Palais des Nations, Pregny Gate

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