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Subject: New RBKC regulations on basements

I write to support strongly the new regulations concerning basement construction which RBKC plans soon to introduce, and about which it consulted residents widely. I have encountered widespread anger among residents of the area in which I live against the long-lasting noise, dirt and disruption of traffic which such constructions cause. In addition, the well-publicised instances of disastrous subsidence and damage to neighbouring properties indicate that the technical advice which you received on the subject was not too pessimistic. It is all the more galling that in many (most?) cases the extra space created seems to be not for essential residential living, but for non-essential installations like mini-theatres, 'entertainment rooms' and mini-gyms, and that many of the constructions are under houses which are already very large indeed.

Yours ever

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