

ATHENS SURVEY

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Introduction

We hold the position that invention is a necessary ambition in architecture, but it rarely emerges by spontaneous intuition. An architect can only hope to make a truly unique proposal after many years of study and reflection. Indeed, it is debatable whether true originality is achievable.

To help in understanding the task students undertook this semester, we invited them to undertake a survey of one seminal building in Athens. We believe that surveying existing buildings helps develop a deeper understanding of their qualities, a useful corrective to the belief that it is possible to come up with entirely original solutions. The information recorded in the surveys produced by the students, and included in this catalogue, were drawn upon and referred to throughout the semester and to some extent informed the subsequent work.

Care was taken to draw the facade and understand the way it is organised. Also included is a precise photographic portrait that conveys the atmosphere of the building, its urban context and the qualities encountered.

Case studies

1 Antonis Georgiadis, Emmanouil Vourekas
1955-56
Pl. Filikis Eterias 15

Enrica Pesce

2 Konstantinos Doxiadis, Arthouros Skepers
1957-58
Stratitotikou Sindesmou 2

Ludovica Dalsasso

3 Nikolaos Mitsakis, Dimitris Pikionis
1936
Chevden 30

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4 Ioannis Liapis, Ilias Skroumbelos
1954-57
Papadiamantopoulou 4

Chiara Biolcati Rinaldi

5 Andreas Symeon
1955-56
Apollonos 12 / Pentelis

Merwin Ramesan

6 Nikos Valsamakis
1951-53
Semitelou 5

Ticus Cosmin

7 Takis Marthas
1957
Platia Eleftherias 5 / Korinis

Giulia Mirabella

8 Dimitris Fatouros
1956-57
Patision 109

Rachel Major

9 Nikos Valsamakis
1955-56
Vasilissis Sofias Ave 129

Irina Pandeale

10 Souzana Antonakaki, Dimitris Antonakakis, Kostis Gartzos
1961-62
Argolidos 26 / Doukissis Plakentias

Noah Tabata

11 Nikos Valsamakis
1955-56
Irodotou 17

Kirill Gargan

12 Margaritis Apostolidis, Takis Zenetos
1959-60
Vasilissis Amalias Ave 34 / Dedaloui

Alberto Francesco

13 Dimitris Papazisis
1957-58
Mithimnis 34 / Patision

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14 Nikos Valsamakis
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Vasileos Konstantinou Ave 42 / Platia Proskopon

Salome Sarishvili

15 Dimosthenis Molfesis
1959
Vasileos Konstantinou Ave 46 / Vasileos Georgiou B

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16 Ioannis Liapis, Ilias Skroumbelos
1962-64
Dinokratous 5-7 / Loukianou

Manuel Splendore

17 Spyros Amourgis, Nikos Kalogeras, Panos Koulermos
1965-68
Veikou 8 / Mitromara

Hamish Gardiner

18 Dimitris Papazisis
1964-65
Xanthippou 3 / Dinokratus

Artemis Apostolia Almpani

19 Dimitris Fatourus, Konstantinos Michailidis
1955-56
28 Kipselis

Eléonore Courvoisier

20 Dimitrios Venieris
1962-63
Spirou Merkouri 31 / Antinoros

Matteo Dei Cas

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1969-70
Dimocharous 7 / Iatridou

Anna Sophie Ganser

22 Dmitris Nakos
1972-75
Sarantapichou 51 / Doxapatri

Zoè De Vries

23 Aris Konstantinidis
1971-73
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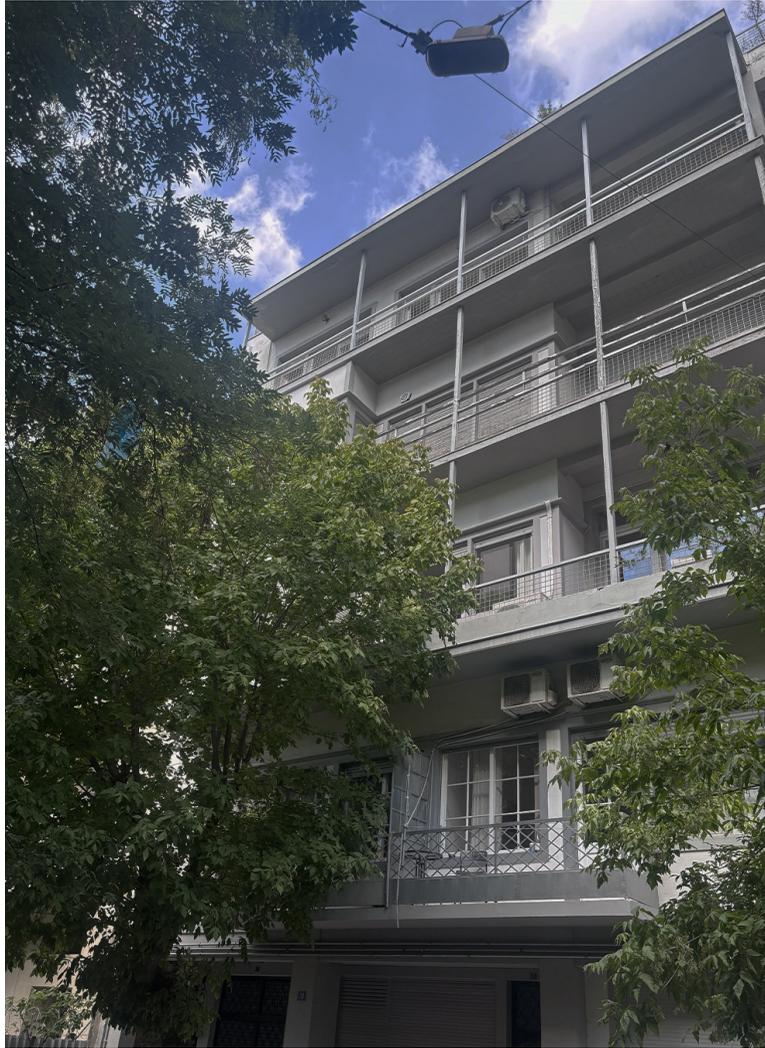
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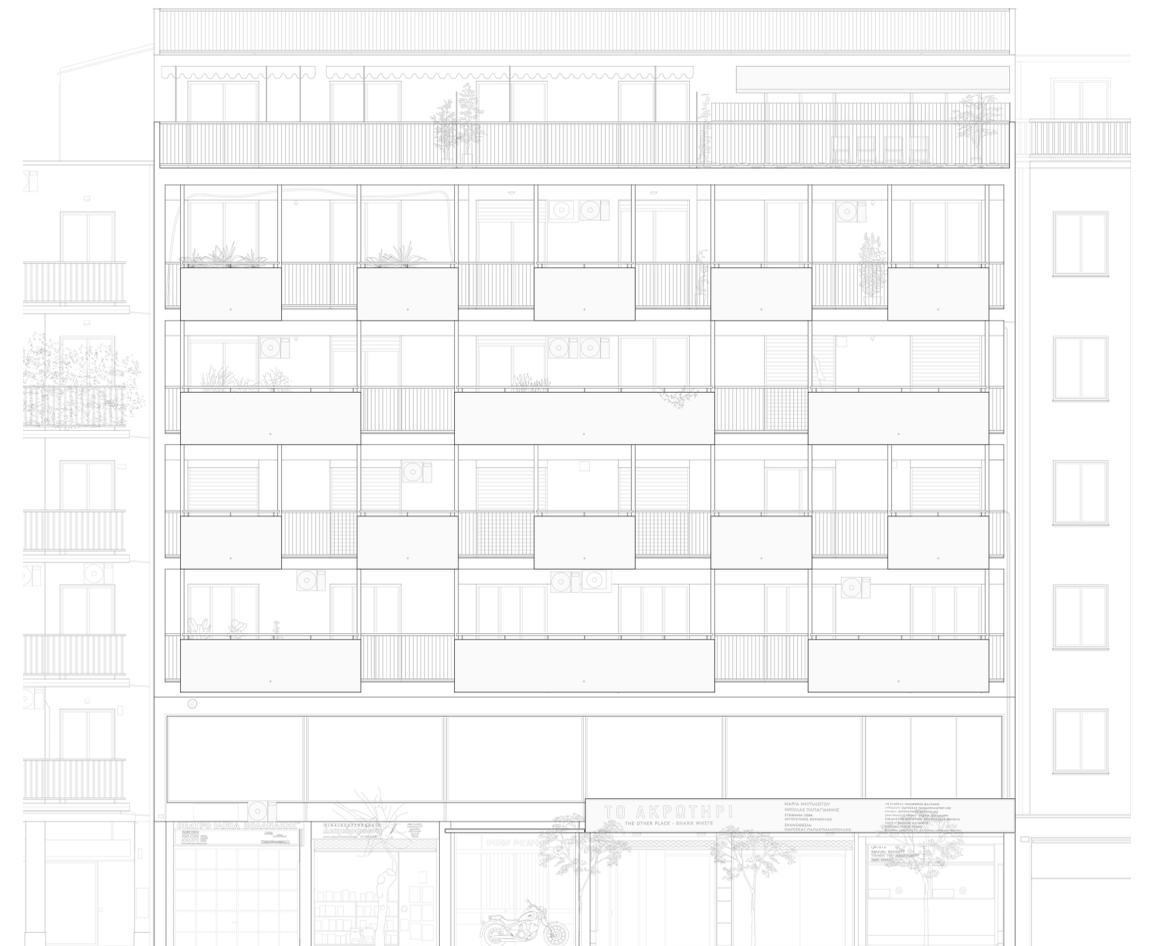
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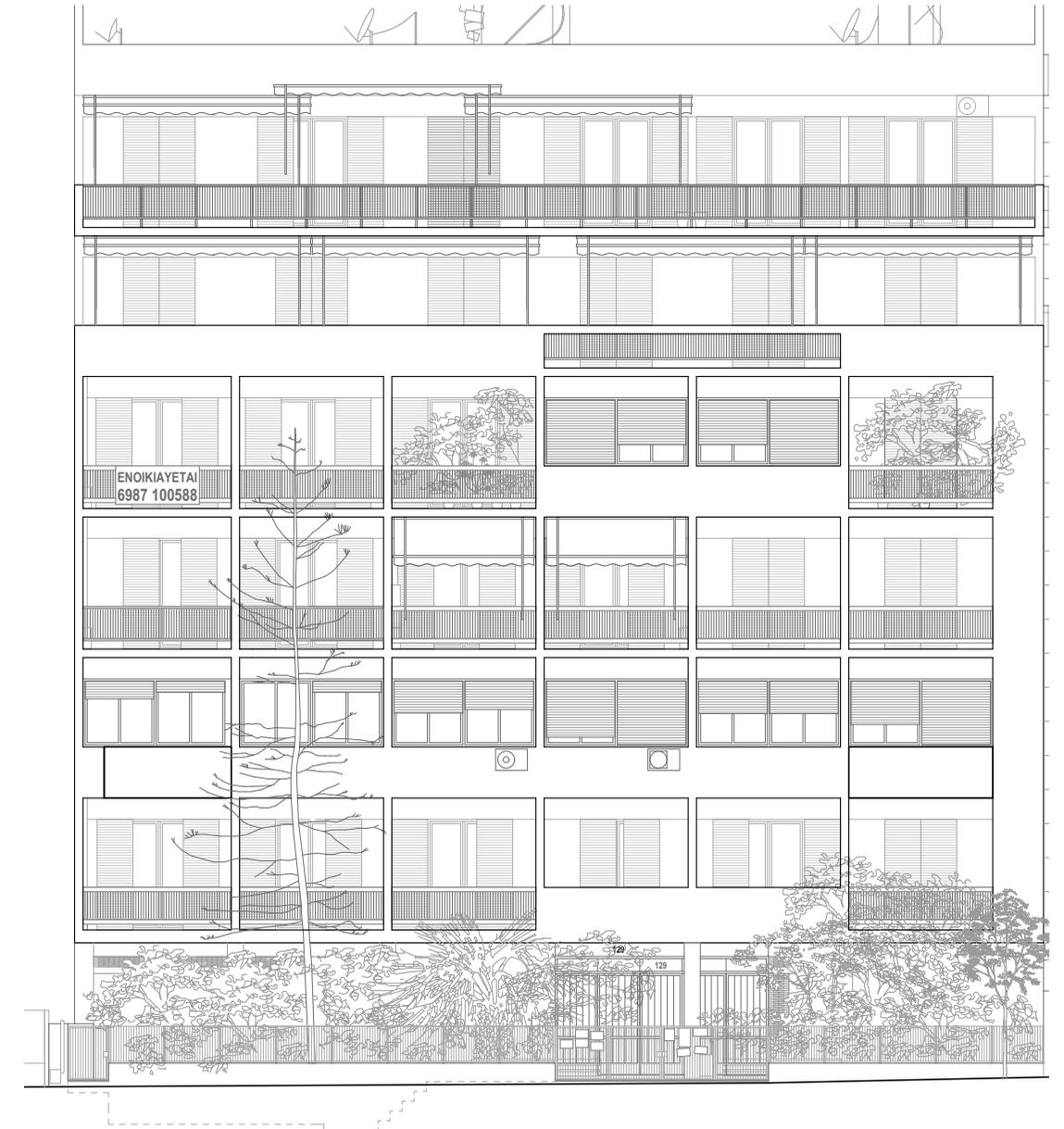
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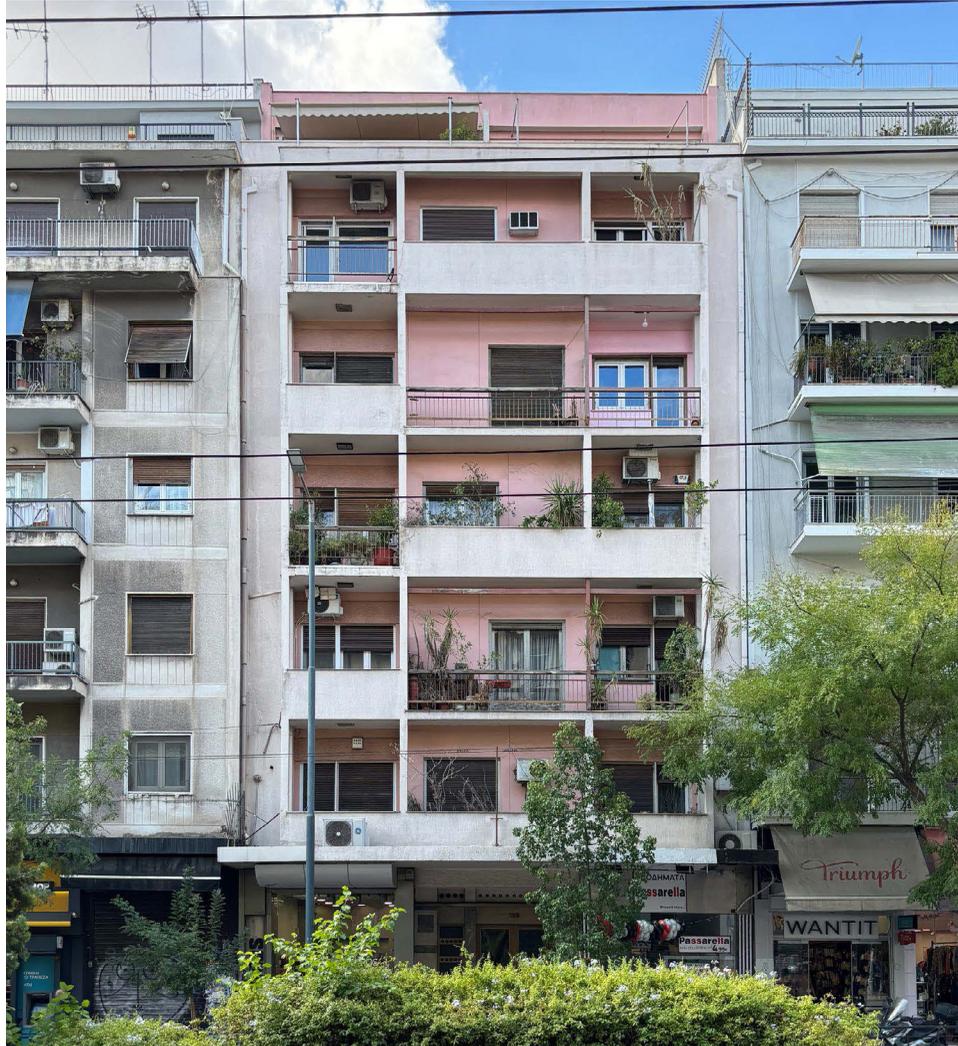
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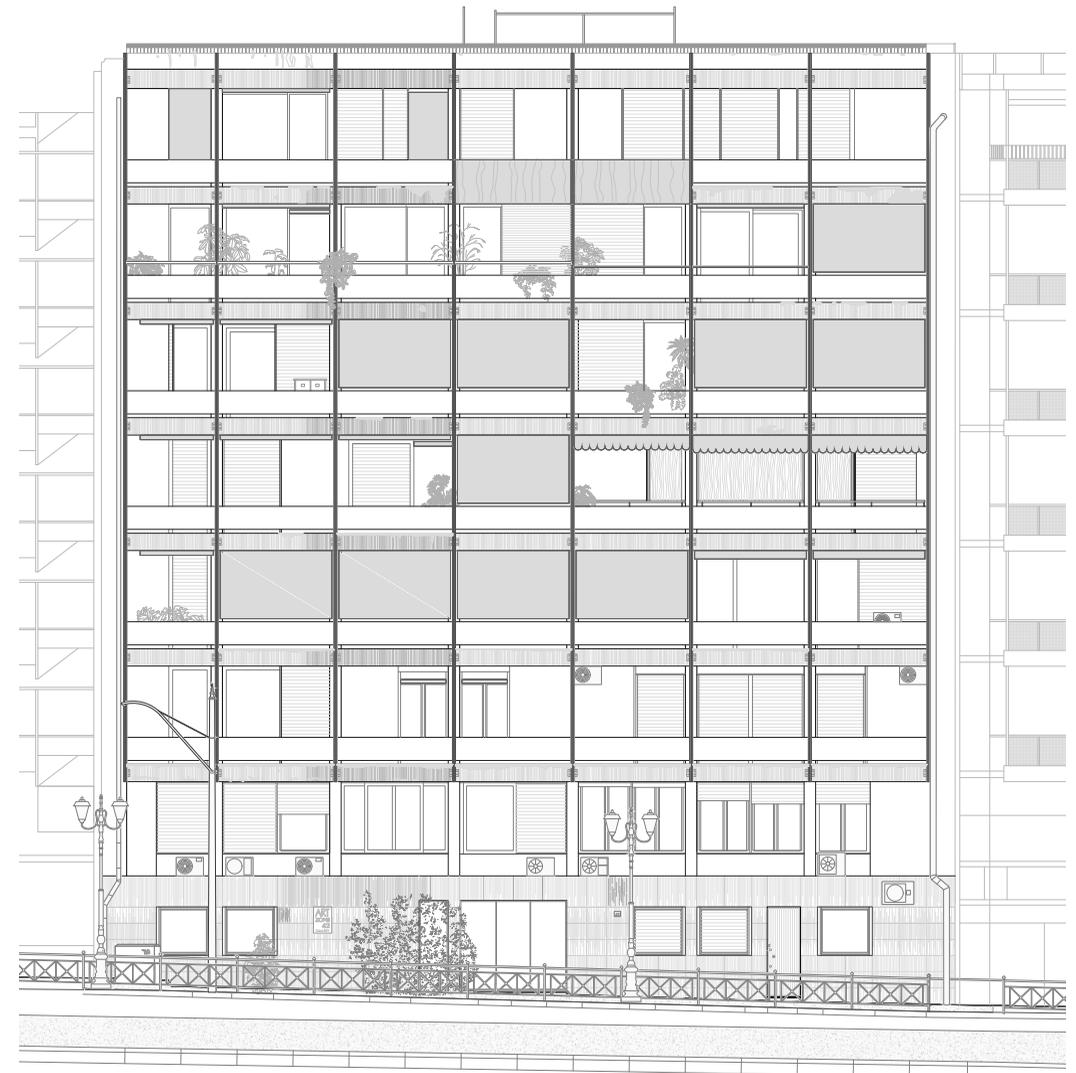
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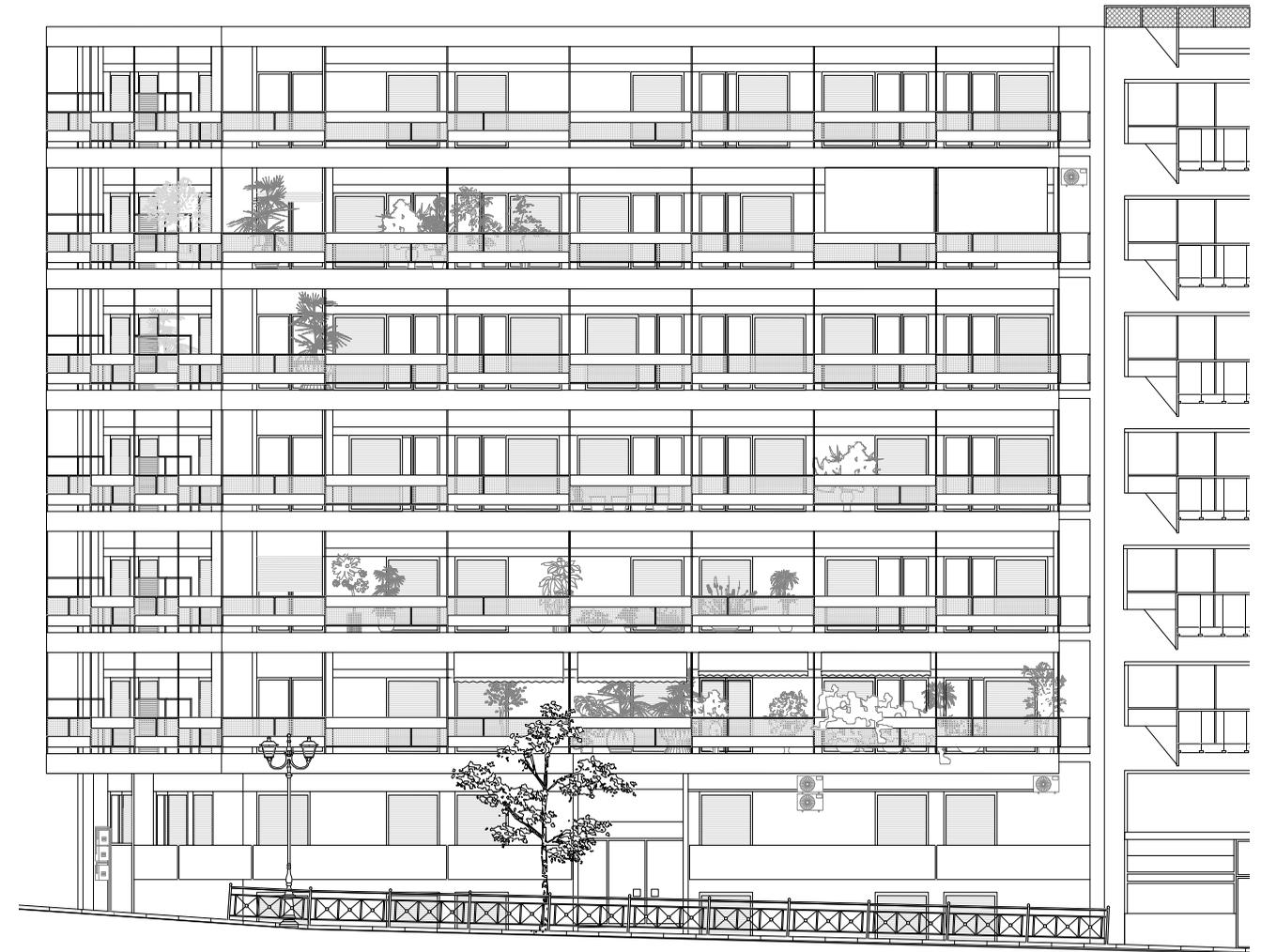
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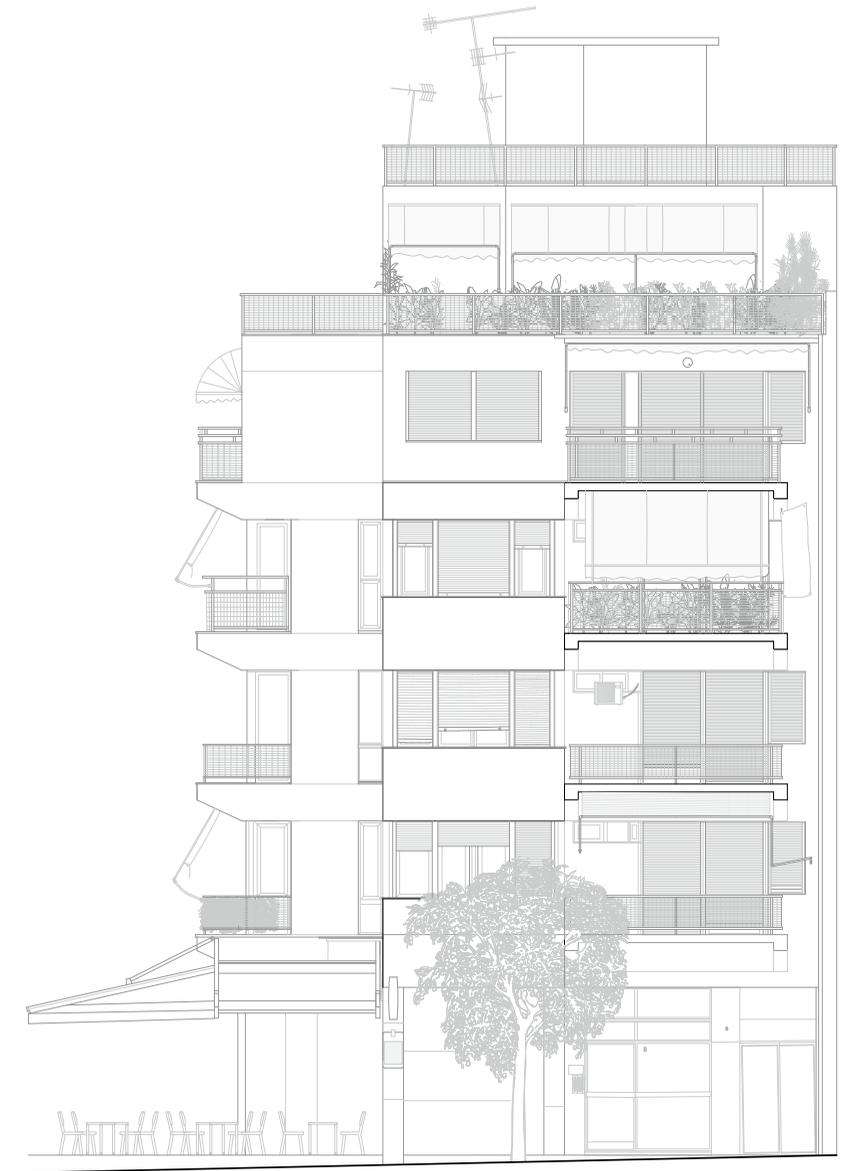
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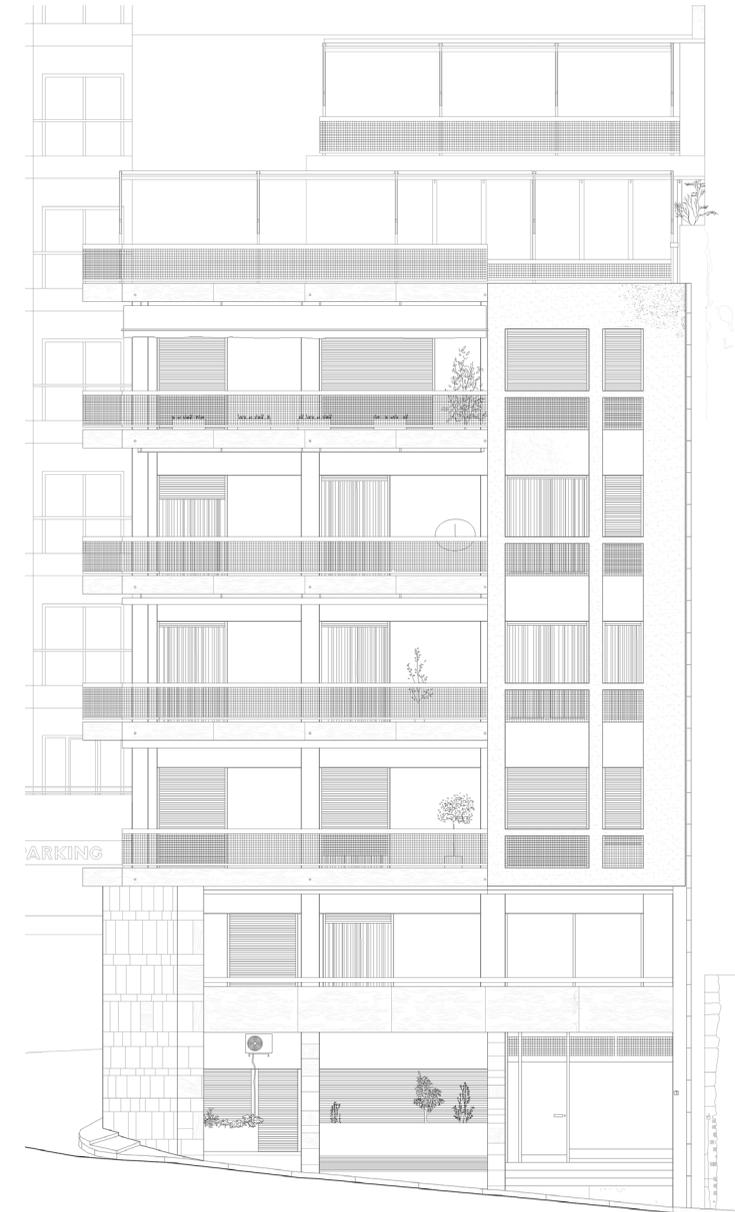
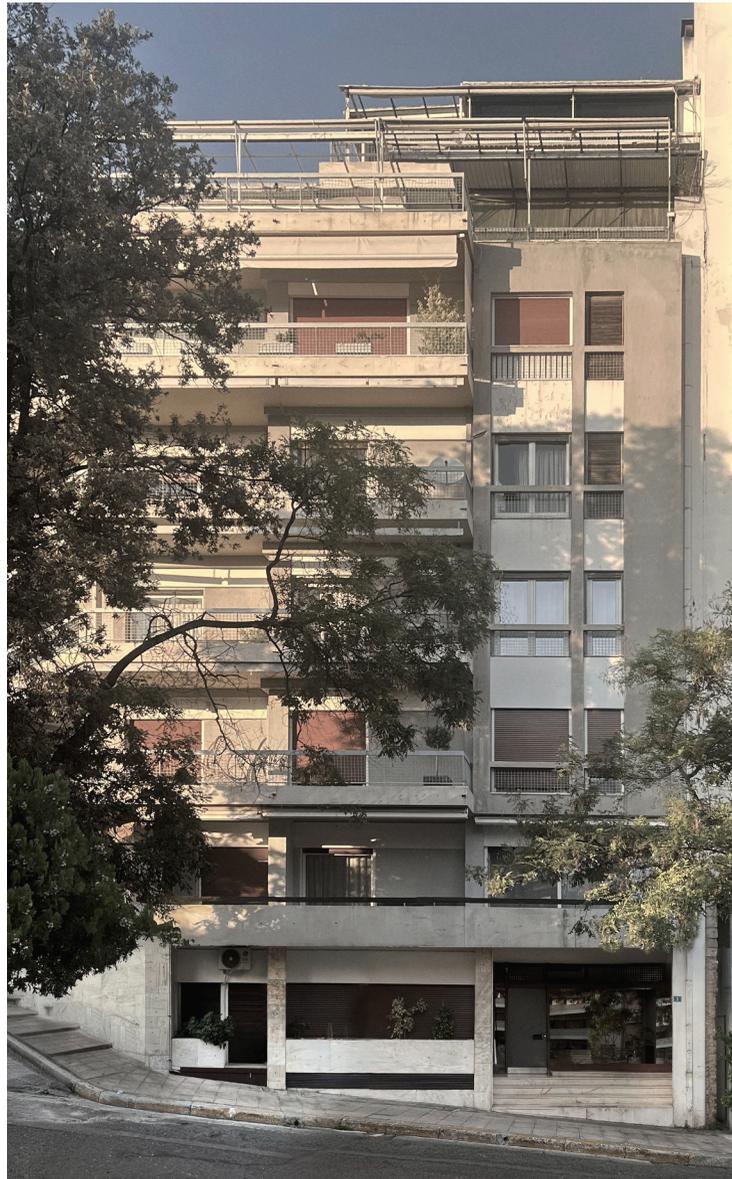


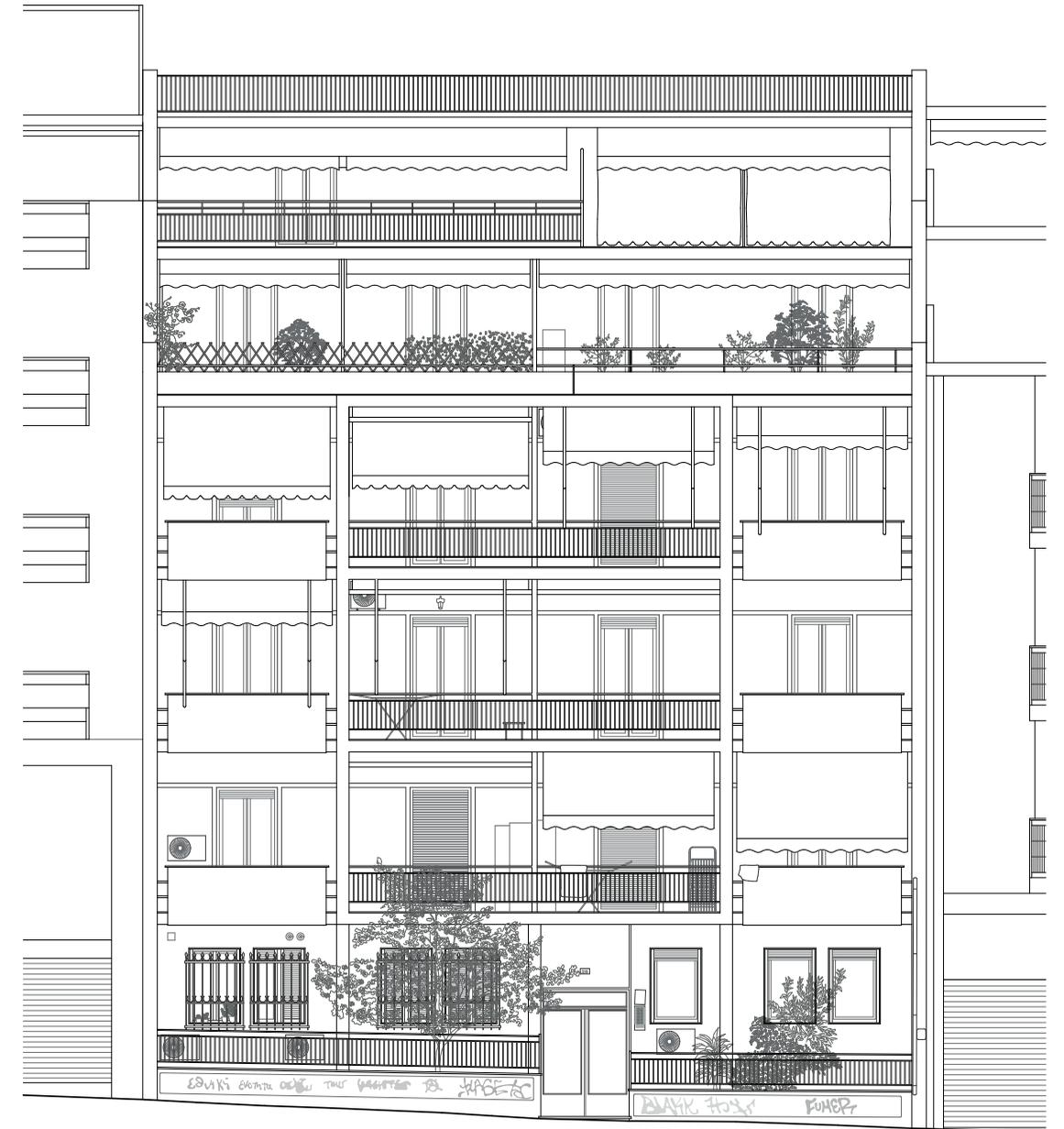
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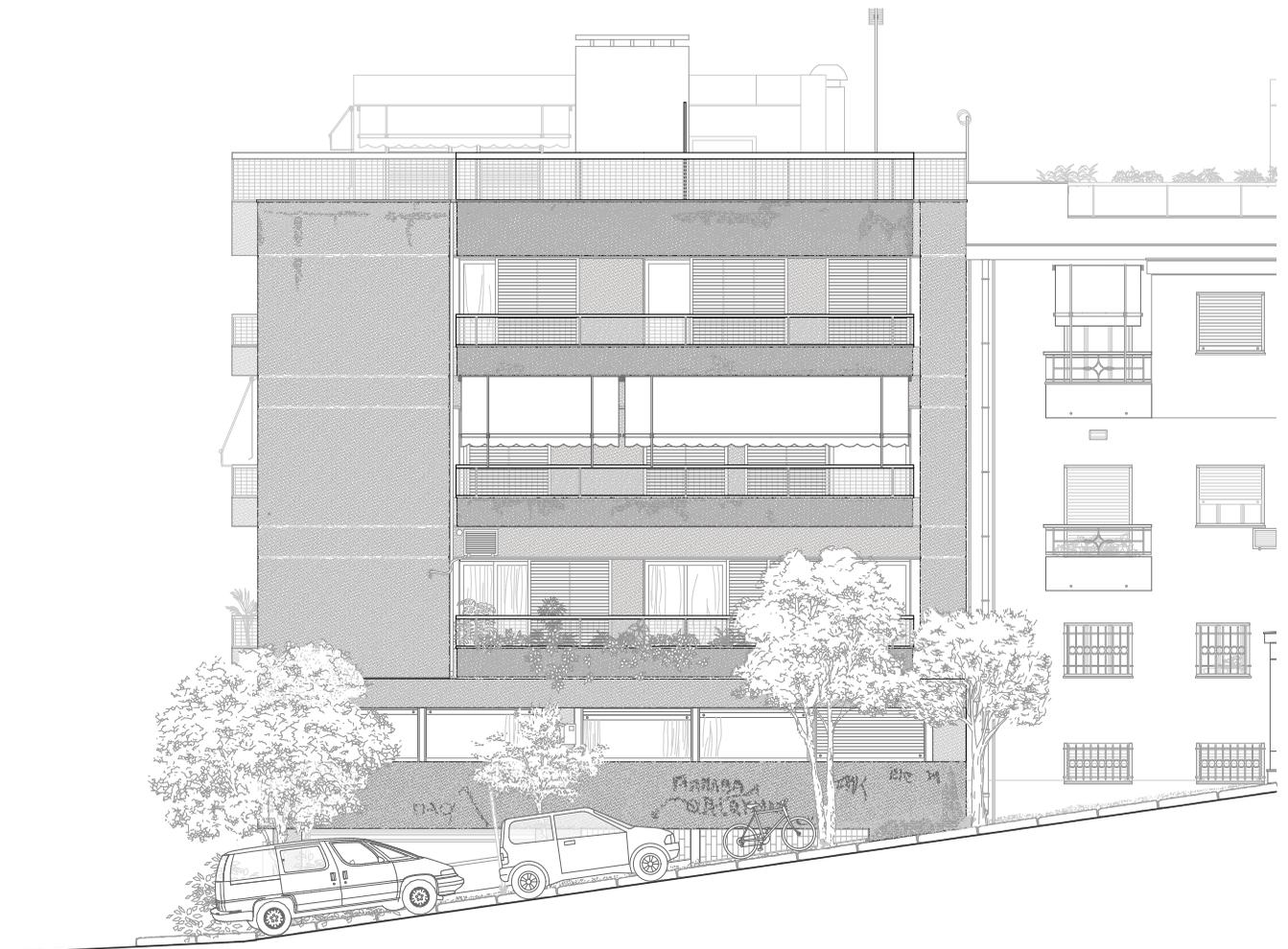
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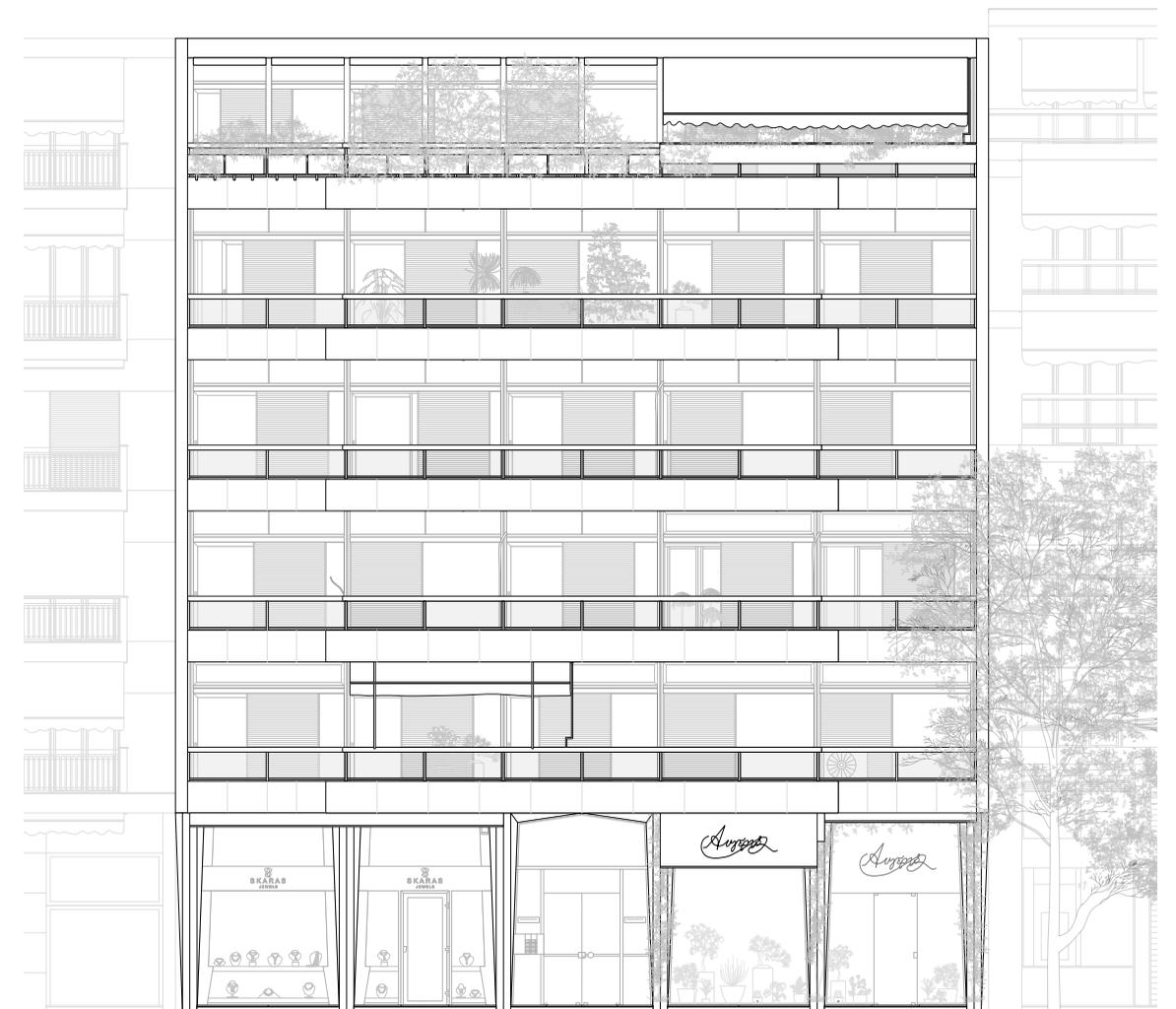


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