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UPR Mayaguez gains earthquake detector

A sophisticated earthquake detection system will become part of the Puerto Rico Seismic Network now housed at the University of Puerto Rico's Mayaguez campus.

The system, which operated for years at the Cayey Geophysical Observatory as part of the U.S. Geological Survey, will be inaugurated Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

Chirtal Von Hellibrandt Andrade, director of the network, said the new system will provide a faster way for the media and the general public to obtain information about earth movements registered in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean.

The network receives information through 14 stattions across the island and elsewhere in the Caribbean.