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Weather Bulletin

WHCA31 TAPA
TROPICAL STORM JERRY ALERT STATEMENT
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES
5:10 AM ECT WED, SEP 18, 2019

THIS IS FOR THE LEEWARD ISLANDS AND BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

JERRY BECOMES THE TENTH NAMED STORM OF THE 2019 SEASON

AT 500 AM OR 0900Z, THE CENTER OF TROPICAL STORM JERRY WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 14.1 NORTH, LONGITUDE 47.7 WEST OR ABOUT 952 MILES EAST SOUTHEAST OF THE LEEWARD ISLANDS AND 1148 MILES EAST SOUTHEAST OF THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. JERRY IS MOVING TOWARDS THE WEST-NORTHWEST NEAR 13 MPH (20 KM/H). A WEST-NORTHWESTWARD MOTION AT A SLIGHTLY FASTER FORWARD SPEED IS EXPECTED OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS. ON THE FORECAST TRACK, THE SYSTEM WILL BE NEAR THE NORTHERN LEEWARD ISLANDS THURSDAY NIGHT OR FRIDAY.

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS HAVE INCREASED TO NEAR 45 MPH (75 KM/H) WITH HIGHER GUSTS. FURTHER STRENGTHENING IS FORECAST DURING THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS, AND JERRY IS EXPECTED TO

BECOME A HURRICANE BY THE TIME IT MOVES NEAR THE NORTHERN LEEWARD ISLANDS.

TROPICAL-STORM-FORCE WINDS EXTEND OUTWARD UP TO 45 MILES (75 KM) FROM THE CENTER.

THE ESTIMATED MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE IS 1004 MB (29.65 INCHES).

AT THIS TIME, NO SPECIFIC ACTION IS REQUIRED OF RESIDENTS IN THE LEEWARD AND BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, OTHER THAN TO CLOSELY MONITOR THE PROGRESS OF TROPICAL STORM JERRY, REVIEW HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS PLANS AND BE PREPARED TO ACT AS ANY FURTHER WESTWARD MOTION COULD BRING THE CORE OF THE SYSTEM CLOSER TO THE ISLANDS.

NO WATCHES OR WARNINGS ARE REQUIRED AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER THESE MAY BECOME NECESSARY WITHIN THE NEXT 24 HOURS.

THE NEXT ADVISORY WILL BE AT 11 AM ECT

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