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Information Statement on Hurricane Beryl

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The Barbados Meteorological Services is currently monitoring the progress of Hurricane Beryl, located over the central Atlantic.

At 11:00 a.m (15:00UTC) Hurricane Beryl was located near 10.7N.. 46.5W or about 940 miles (1510 km) to the east of Barbados. Maximum sustained winds are near 80mph /130 km/h, with a minimal central pressure of 994mb or 29.36 inches.

Beryl is moving towards the west near 15mph or 24km/h and based on current projections the center is expected to pass to the north of Barbados Sunday night/early Monday. **However, any southward deviation from this projected track may require the issuance of a Watch or Warning for Barbados at short notice.**

Heavy rains and occasional gusty winds are forecast over Barbados from Sunday night into Monday. Rainfall accumulations of 25 - 50mm (1 to 2 inches) are forecast as the system passes to the north of the island.

Marine conditions are also expected to deteriorate by Sunday afternoon with sea-swells expected to range between 3.0 and 4.0 metres (10 – 13 feet). As a consequence a High-surf Advisory and Small-craft warning will go into effect from 6:00 p.m Saturday 7th July until 6:00 a.m Monday 09th July 2018 .

Large waves and dangerous rip-currents can be expected which will create unsafe conditions for small-craft operators. Sea-bathers and other users of the sea are also advised to stay out of the water during that time. This activity may become even more adverse at times of high tide.

A small-craft warning means in this case that seas equal to or greater than 3m (10ft) and wind speeds of 25 to 33 knots (47 to 61 km/h) will be affecting the marine area.

A High-Surf Advisory is issued when breaking wave action poses a threat to life and property within the surf zone.

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