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ADVISORY #5: BARBADOS REMAINS UNDER A TROPICAL STORM WATCH

ISSUED at: 5::00 A.M SUNDAY 8th July, 2018

A Tropical Storm Watch means that storm conditions (wind-speeds between 39 mph and 73 mph (63 to 117 km/h) are possible within the watch area in this case within the next 12 hours.

At 5:00 a.m Tropical Storm 'Beryl'

LOCATION...13.7N 56.0W

ABOUT 240 MI...380 KM E OF BARBADOS

ABOUT 340 MI...550 KM E OF MARTINIQUE

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS...45 MPH...75 KM/H

PRESENT MOVEMENT...WNW OR 290 DEGREES AT 20 MPH...31 KM/H

MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE...1005 MB...29.68 INCHES

On this latest forecast track Tropical Storm Beryl is estimated to pass between 100 and 120 miles (160 to 190 km) north of Barbados by tonight. However, some pockets of moderate to heavy showers and occasional gusty winds are possible. Rainfall accumulations of 25 - 50mm (1 to 2inches) with isolated higher amounts may occur.

Some deterioration in sea-conditions is also expected as Beryl moves over the chain. Thus, a small-craft warning is in effect for Barbados

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.

Later tonight/early Monday, , the center of Beryl will move across the Lesser Antilles and move near or south of the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico on Monday. Thereafter, gradual weakening is expected and Beryl is forecast to degenerate into a trough of low pressure as it moves across the eastern Caribbean Sea on Monday.

The next Advisory will be issued at 11:00 a.m, Sunday, 8th July, 2018

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