

ALERT No. 2 - Tomas

Tropical Depression

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ART'S EMERGENCY CENTER REPORT

The **AmericasRelief Team's** emergency center has not been activated; the center is staffed to help coordinate the shipping of relief aid to victims of the event. However, we anticipate that air relief flights, ocean relief space and co-loading opportunities will develop. We will notify our colleagues, friends and partners of space-available opportunities as this emergency develops.

TROPICAL STORM TOMAS

Tropical Depression Tomas, Public Advisory 21 states that the storm has weakened slightly but it is still expected to strengthen by the end of this week. As of Wednesday, 11.3.10, the storm was located 410 miles (660 km) SSW of Port-Au-Prince in Haiti and 325 miles (520 km) SSE of Kingston, Jamaica. Winds are 35 mph (55 km/hr) and it is headed WNW at 5 mph (7 km/hr.) The Public Advisory forecast from the National Weather Service states:

A hurricane watch is in effect for... Jamaica. Interests in Haiti...the Dominican Republic...and southeastern Cuba should also monitor the progress of Tomas. Tomas could pose a significant threat to those areas later in the week.

A turn toward the northwest...north...and north-northeast is expected over the next 48 hours. Reports from an air force reserve unit hurricane hunter plane indicate that the maximum sustained winds have decreased to near 35mph (55 km/hr) with higher gusts. Re-strengthening is forecast during the next 48 hours.

AmericasRelief Team is monitoring this storm very closely, whereas the potential impact it could have on those recovering from this year's earthquake in Haiti could be disastrous. To find out how you can help, please contact ART or visit our [website](#).

To track the latest tropical activity, please visit our [website](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGANIZATIONS CAN PLACE THEIR SIGNS AT THE CENTER FOR DISASTER RESPONSE

“We would like to remind everyone that the Florida Center for Disaster Response is housed at our building 3775, and if needed, the pertinent organizations can place their signs on NW 37 Ave pointing to the W/H where donations may be received for shipping.”

Rafael Mejias
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Read more about the [Center for Disaster Response](#).

SPECIAL REQUESTS

ST. LUCIA DECLARES STATE OF EMERGENCY AFTER PASSAGE OF HURRICANE TOMAS

CASTRIES, St. Lucia, CMC - Prime Minister Stephenson King Tuesday declared a state of emergency as St. Lucia struggles to recover in the aftermath of what he described as the worst natural disaster in the history of the island.

King said while the damage caused by Hurricane Tomas, when it struck over the weekend has been conservatively estimated at in excess of US\$100 million, the government has already made an appeal for regional and international assistance.

“We have already put out through NEMO (National Emergency Organisation) a declaration of a state of emergency which immediately triggers off our regional and international appeal, and so the international community will respond.

Read the [full article...](#)

WATER FOR ST. LUCIA

Water is being required to help St. Lucia. Please contact Family Outreach Ministries at (770) 402-5161.

FAST, EASY SHIPPING WITH OUR RELIEF CALCULATOR

Through **AmericasRelief Team's** new Freight Calculator, we are able to offer hassle free shipping with immediate quotes and preferential pricing. Please visit our [website](#) to learn more.



FREE PREPOSITIONING & STAGING WAREHOUSE

While we hope that this hurricane season will prove to be less active than predicted, we all know that natural disasters will inevitably strike—suddenly and horrifically—somewhere in the region. Therefore **AmericasRelief Team** and corporate partner LAPARKAN, have arranged for the use of a prepositioning and staging warehouse at no cost to NGOs. Visit our [website](#) for details.

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HUMANITARIAN LOGISTICS TOOLS

ART provides leadership to NGOs by bringing together innovation, ideas and technology on humanitarian logistics. For more information on humanitarian logistics tools please visit our [logistics page](#). Here you can find our Logistics & Transportation Guide, our Logistics Help Request Form, and other valuable information.

MEDIA PARTNERS



We are proud of our media partnership; created to give South Floridians an opportunity to reach out and help those who have been directly affected by catastrophic events.



AmericasRelief Team is a Florida private sector collaboration of corporations and non-profit organizations created to help our friends in the Americas in times of crisis and disasters.

AmericasRelief Team reacts to immediate crisis, provides ongoing logistics assistance, and conducts plans for future events in the region which will require effective coordination of humanitarian relief.

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