

SPECIAL WEATHER BULLETIN # 6

DATE ISSUED: Sunday, August 15, 2021

TIME: 8:30 AM (1200 UTC)

...TROPICAL STORM WARNING DISCONTINUED FOR ST. MAARTEN... ...A FLOOD/SMALL CRAFT AVISORY REMAINS IN EFFECT....

At 8:00 AM (1200 UTC), the center of tropical storm Grace was located near latitude 17.1 North, longitude 65.4 West or about 165 miles southwest of St. Maarten. Grace is now moving toward the west-northwest near 16 mph (26 km/h). Maximum sustained winds are near 40 mph (65 km/h) with higher gusts.

The highest wind gust measured at the airport was 26 kts/30 mph.

Moisture and instability associated with tropical storm Grace could still produce some scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms across St. Maarten today. These showers could be moderate to heavy at times as a result a flood advisory remains in effect.

Residents and users of areas prone to flooding and rock-falls should remain vigilant and exercise caution. A small craft advisory also remains in effect for above normal swells, small craft operators and sea bathers are advised to exercise extreme caution.

This is the final bulletin on this system.

The Meteorological Department of St. Maarten will continue to monitor tropical storm Grace and all other systems and keep the public updated accordingly.

FORECASTER: Leblanc

A Special Weather Bulletin is issued for weather events that are unusual, cause general inconvenience or public concern (requiring the attention and action of emergency authorities) and cannot adequately be described in a regular weather forecast.

A Small Craft Advisory announces that the sea will likely become rough today or is already occurring.

A Flash Flood Advisory announces that heavy rainfall will occur today or is already occurring.