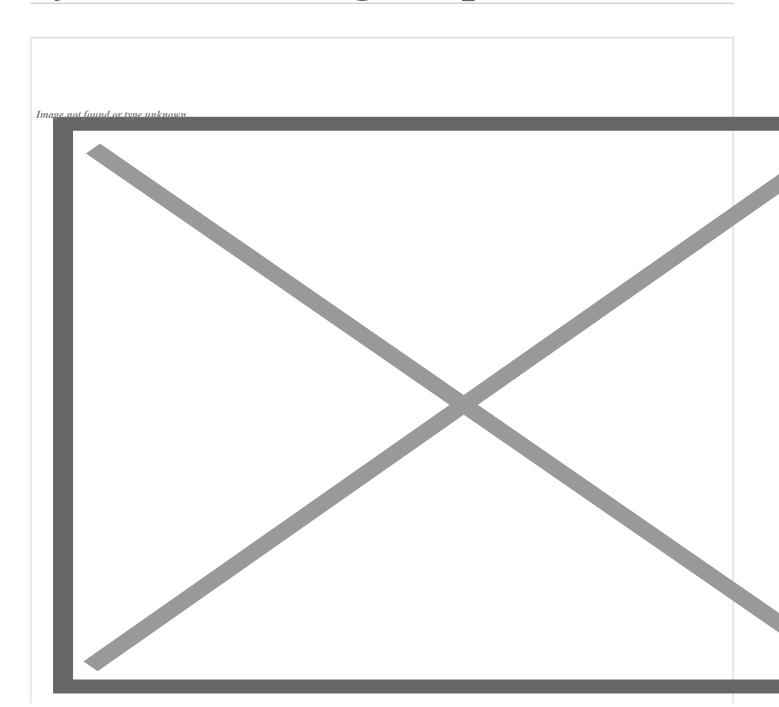
Cuba remains alert to threat of hydrometeorological phenomena



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Havana, Nov 4 (RHC) Cuba is paying close attention to hydrometeorological events that threaten its territory, and is taking the necessary measures to protect the population and economic resources.

The government at all levels, as well as agencies and institutions, are keeping a close watch on the wide area of low pressures concentrated to the south of Jamaica and the disturbance located to the north of the Lesser Antilles.

The focus is on the eastern part of the country, which has recently been hit by Hurricane Oscar. Consequently, on Saturday, the National Civil Defense Headquarters initiated the Information Phase for heavy rainfall in the provinces of Guantánamo, Santiago de Cuba, Holguín, Granma, and Las Tunas.

This Sunday, that body decreed the Informative Phase also for the provinces of Camagüey, Ciego de Ávila, Sancti Spiritus, Cienfuegos, Villa Clara, Matanzas, Mayabeque, Havana, Artemisa, Pinar del Río and the Special Municipality Isla de la Juventud.

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In the meantime, in the face of the devastation affecting the eastern region, over 60,000 people were evacuated from Guantánamo, whose soils are saturated due to heavy rainfall and river flooding.

Educational institutions and other facilities, as well as family homes, are serving as temporary shelters for these individuals.

The leader of the National Defense Council and president of the Republic, Miguel Díaz-Canel, is closely monitoring the situation and has stressed the significance of maintaining a high level of vigilance and direct communication with the public. (Source: Prensa Latina)



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