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Flooding in Central America

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Heavy Rainfall and Flooding affects Central American Region

(USAID) -- Since October 10, 2011, heavy rains associated with a tropical depression have caused flooding and landslides throughout Central America-including in Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica - resulting in more than 90 deaths and affecting more than 935,000 individuals.

A break in rainfall is expected in El Salvador and southern Honduras by today.

U.S. ambassadors in Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras have declared disasters due to the flooding and landslides. In response USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA) has provided \$50,000 through USAID/Guatemala to the National Disaster Management Coordinator (CONRED) for the procurement and distribution of emergency relief supplies in Guatemala; \$100,000 through USAID/El Salvador to the Government of El Salvador (GoES) Civil Protection Agency for local procurement of non-food emergency relief commodities; and \$100,000 to Honduras for Plan International and Save the Children (SC) for child protection activities and local procurement and distribution of non-food emergency relief commodities.

Between October 12th and 19th, USAID/OFDA activated assessment teams in Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Panama to monitor conditions and conduct damage and needs assessments in affected areas.

As of October 19th, the government of Nicaragua and Costa Rica had not requested international.

For more information on the current situation in each

ART's Emergency Center

The Americas Relief 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.

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