



## ALERT No. 3 Tropical Depression Ten

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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 DEPRESSION TEN

Air satellite data indicate that the low pressure area located over the eastern tropical Atlantic has developed a well-defined surface circulation and sufficient convective organization to be designated as a tropical depression. Satellite intensity estimates from TAFB and SAB are both 2.0...and the initial intensity is set at 30kt. Given the favorable upper-air environment ahead of the depression during the next 2-3 days...some intensification is expected. After that time...the intensity will depend in large part on how much the depression becomes involved with an upper-level low northeast of the Lesser Antilles in about 3 days and the influence of the upper-level outflow from Tropical Storm Isaac late in the forecast period. Interactions with either would result in an increase of vertical wind shear over the cyclone and a possible halt in intensification. For now...the official forecast follows the intensity consensus aids. The initial motion estimate is 295/14. The depression is expected to continue moving west-northwestward...nearly in tandem with a mid- to upper-level impulse on the south side of a subtropical ridge over eastern/central Atlantic. After about 3 days...the cyclone should turn northwestward as it reaches the western periphery of the subtropical ridge. The spread in the track guidance increases considerably by the end of the forecast period...with the GFS forecasting a deeper system that turns more quickly. The HWRF shows a shallower vortex that moves on a more westward track. The official forecast lies between these two extremes...close to the ECMWF and the model consensus tvca.

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



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## 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

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