

# Typhoon Cimaron Press Release from Central Emergency Operation Center

Cabinet Strategy Group

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## **Sea Warning for Typhoon Cimaron Issued and Central Emergency Operation Center (CEOC) Operating Officially**

Central Weather Bureau issued the sea warning for Typhoon Cimaron at 10:30 a.m. today (July 17). CEOCs of two levels were started up at 11:30 a.m. Vice Commander, Vice Chairman of Council of Agriculture Wang Zheng Teng, called 1<sup>st</sup> reporting meeting at 16:00 p.m. in which he asks various departments and local governments to continue strengthening the preparedness against the typhoon disaster and provide correct and real-time information to help the civilians to respond to the disaster as early as possible.

At 16:00 p.m. today, the storm center was at the sea 260KM away from the south of Eluanbi. It moved toward north-west side and accessed Bashi Channel and thus posed a threat to the sea areas around Bashi Channel, Taiwan Strait and Dongsha Islands. Vice Commander gave the following instruction after reviewing the various departments' reports:

1. Due to the outer-region circulation of the typhoon, the potential rainfall areas might be centered at the south-east side and Hengchun Peninsula of Taiwan, and there might be outbreak of torrential rain. Ministry of Interior is required to notify Taitung County Government and Pingtung County Government to keep an eye on the rainfall. From tonight until tomorrow morning, there might be outbreak of long waves at south-east side, Hengchun Peninsula and south-east coastal area of Taiwan, and it is necessary to remind the civilians to stay vigilant.
2. Central Weather Bureau scheduled to issue the land warning for the Typhoon in the territory of Kinmen from early morning until the noon tomorrow (July 18). Kinmen County Government should be notified to be alert and start up the emergency operation center as required to be prepared for the disaster preparedness ahead.
3. The traffic engineering section should take adequate precautionary measures against the roads prone to disasters, and also prevent the Tai-20th highway and Tai-21st highway, which still remain blocked because of the aftermath of Typhoon Soulik, from such disasters as rockfall and

collapse. The section should also release update messages from time to time to remind that passers-by should avoid passing through such roads.