

Typhoon Cimaron Press Release from Central Emergency Operation Center

Cabinet Strategy Group

Continue Controlling Typhoon Movement and Paying Attention to Disaster Preparedness

According to Central Weather Bureau, the center of Typhoon Cimaron was at the sea 200KM away from the south-west by south side of Eluanbi at 20:30 today (July 17), and was moving toward north-west side at a rate of 19KM/h. The Bureau forecast that the Typhoon would be nearest to the territory of Taiwan on July 18. The outer-region circulation would primarily affect the south-east side and south sea area of Taiwan, and the rainfall areas would cover the south-east side and south region of Taiwan. Vigilance toward heavy rain must be strengthened in the south-east side, Hengchun Peninsula and Kinmean areas.

Vice Commander of CEOC, Vice Chairman of Council of Agriculture Wang Zheng Peng, called 2nd reporting meeting today in which he listened to the various departments' reports, and gave the following instruction afterwards:

1. Due to the outer-region circulation of the Typhoon, the main rainfall areas might be centered in the south-east side, Hengchun Peninsula, and Kaohsiung and Pingtung Areas from tonight until tomorrow. The various departments are required to keep in touch with Hualien County Government, Taitung County Government, Pingtung County Government and Kaohsiung County Government, and also to keep an eye on the rainfall situation.
2. The center of Typhoon Cimaron has accessed Bashi Channel, and there might be outbreak of long waves in the south sea area of Taiwan. Please keep watching any changes in the wind and wave in the coastal areas and remind the civilians timely.
3. According to the forecast, Penghu and Kinmen areas should be considered as the critical areas to be protected. Please control the situation about the outer islands and provide assistance, if necessary.
4. The traffic engineering section is required to continuing controlling the south-east side and mountain areas in the southern Taiwan, which are

prone to road disaster, and shall take the relevant precautionary measures. Please release the messages about blocked roads and suspension of flights and sea transportation from time to time, in order to remind the civilians of the Typhoon movement.