

Typhoon Usagi Central Emergency Operation Center Press Release

Cabinet Strategy Group

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**Sea Warning Issued for Strong Typhoon Usagi – The Public is Urged to Heighten Vigilance**

Central Weather Bureau (CWB) issued the sea warning for Typhoon Usagi at 23:30 last night (September 19), the Central Emergency Operation Center (CEOC) was established immediately and the second assessment meeting was convened at 01:00. The government has taken every precaution in response to Typhoon Usagi; at the same time, the public is reminded to pay attention to typhoon related information, carry out preparatory work in advance and cooperate with the government's various typhoon response measures.

After Deputy Commander of CEOC and Deputy Minister of Economic Affairs Kuo-Hsin Liang listened to analysis reports by various departments, he especially instructed that according to CWB's forecasts, the typhoon's strength will continue to intensify after dark. Currently, the typhoon's center is currently located east south-east of Eluanbi and moving in a west north-west direction, causing threats to Bashi Channel and sea surface east of Taiwan. The land warning is expected to be issued at 08:30 this morning, disaster prevention and rescue related authorities in the Central Government are requested to maintain close contact with various municipalities. Furthermore, as per instructed in the first assessment meeting, MOI is to notify local municipalities to establish emergency operation centers as soon as possible. Since the typhoon coincides with the Mid-Autumn's Festival long weekend, in response to large homecoming traffic, the MOTC is requested to devise plans and contingency measures regarding air, land,

marine and railroad transportation. If public transportation is suspended due to the weather, please urge the public to make necessary arrangements in advance. For travelers going up to the mountains during the holiday, MOI should urge them to descent the mountain and control all mountain entry activities.