



Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
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Progress Report of the Dominican Republic on Consular Protection

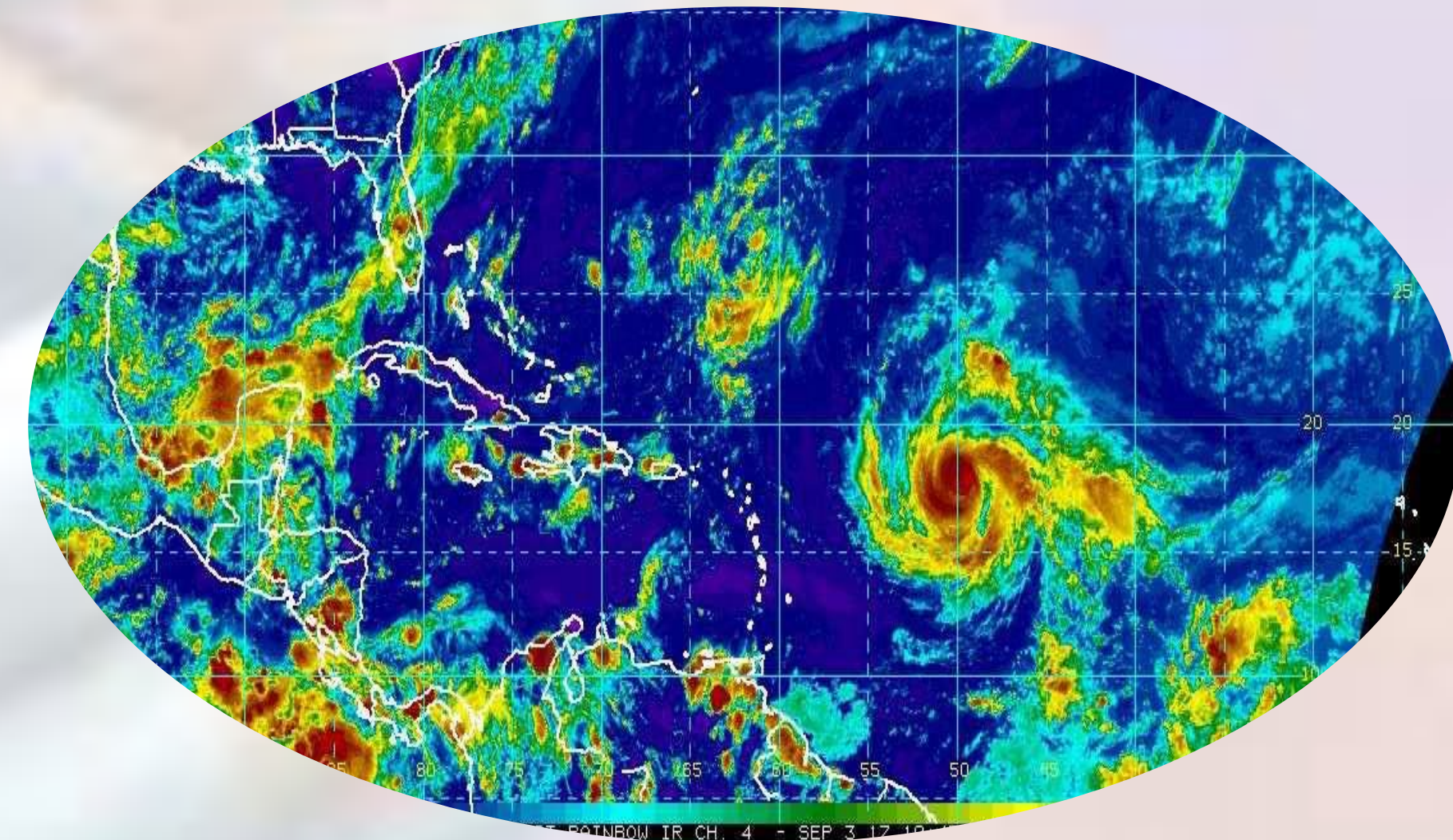
Actions deployed after the passage of hurricanes Irma
and María, in the islands of the insular Caribbean.

November 27th, 2017

Start of Operations

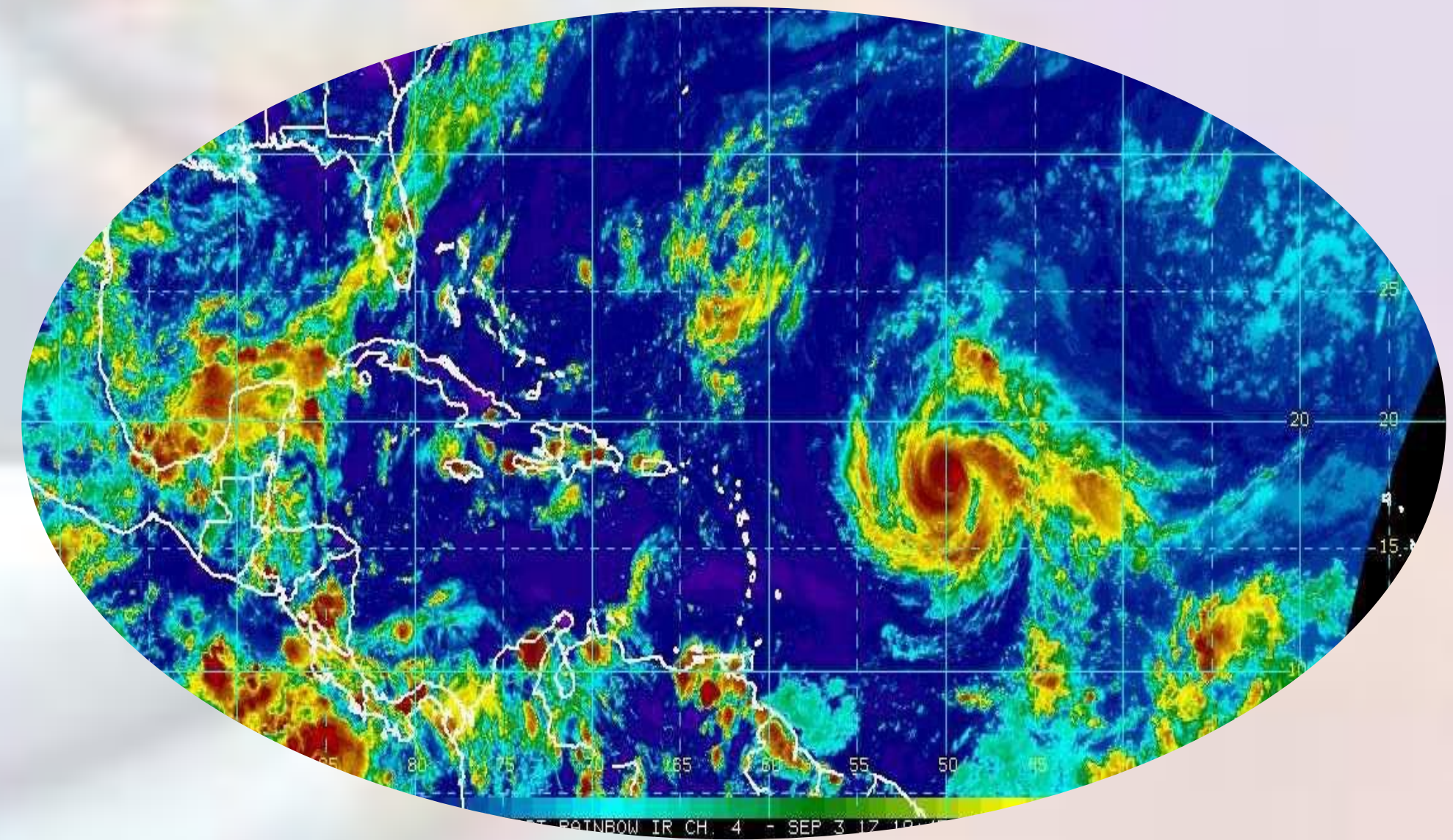
As a result of the damages caused by the natural phenomena Irma and María, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs deployed the actions of management and attention to Dominican citizens living in the Islands of San Martín, Guadalupe, Martinique, Dominica, Virgin Islands, Turks and Caicos and Puerto Rico. Beginning the same on Sunday September 10.

In this first trip were taken food and water rations and returned to the country 20 Dominicans, of which 8 were minors. In that order, our Ministry published in its social networks the telephone numbers of the National Protection Directorate so that relatives in the country could request information about their affected relatives in the Island of San Martin, being answered by telephone over 200 people , between September 8 and 11.



Start of Operations

On September 11 and 12, we had the assistance of the PAWA Airline, who collaborated in a disinterested manner, by providing us with aircraft for 150 people; a first flight was made on September 11, arriving by the AILA with 130 passengers, 18 men, 35 women, 24 minors and 53 nationalized and foreign Dominicans and then on September 12, returning to 155 people 105 adults and 50 nationalized Dominicans and foreign. A total of 26 flights were made, 3 by the Las Americas International Airport, by the PAWA Airline and 23 by the San Isidro Air Base on the Sky High Line



Repatriation of Dominicans from the San Martin Islands and pounds of food rations taken.

Date	Time	Flight No.	Food ration taken	Adults Rep.	Children Rep.	Nationalized Dominicans and foreigners	TOTAL
10/09/2017	11:00	HI1007 Y HI1017	3702.4		8		
11/09/2017		HI1007 Y HI1017	3999.4	19	7	21	47
11/09/2017	09:50	HI1007	3999.4			16	16
11/09/2017	07:50	PAWA1724		53	24	53	130
12/09/2017		PAWA1724		105		50	155
12/09/2017	12:50	HI1017		13	9	1	23
12/09/2017	13:55	HI1007		7	4	14	25
14/09/2017	17:25	HI1017	4509.8	14	14	15	43
14/09/2017		HI1017	4635.7				0
16/09/2017		PAWA1724	57290	101		54	155
TOTAL			78136.7	312	66	224	594

Repatriation of the Dominicans from the island Tortola and pounds of food rations taken.

Date	Time	Flight No.	Food rations taken	Adults	Children	Nationlized Dominicans and foreigners	TOTAL
12/09/2017	18:25	HI1017		3	3	7	13
12/09/2017	18:45	HI1007		14	13	9	36
13/09/2017	13:00	HI1007	4654	12	8	12	32
13/09/2017	13:20	HI1017	5002	8	8	9	25
13/09/2017		HI1017	5042.2				
13/09/2017		HI1007	4970.2				
14/09/2017	11:30	HI1017		16	4		20
14/09/2017	13:50	HI1007		7	12		19
14/09/2017	18:30	HI1007		6	14		20
15/09/2017		HI1007	3100.8				
16/09/2017	18:20	HI1017	4292.2	17	1		18
TOTAL			27061.4	83	63	37	183

Repatriation of Dominicans from Provinciales and pounds of food rations taken.

Date	Time	Flight No.	Food rations taken	Adults	Children	Nationalized Dominicans and Foreigners	TOTAL
12/09/2017	21:10	FAD3501	4172.3	10	3		13
14/09/2017		FAD3501	4202.4				
19/09/2017	15:25	HI1007		21	4		25
							0
							0
							0
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							0
TOTAL			8374.7	31	7	0	38

TOTAL			RATIONS	426	136	261	
TOTAL			113573				823



Saint Martin Island

November 27 2017

During the flights made to the Island of San Martin, food rations were taken, which were received and delivered to the Dominican Community by the Corazones Unidos Association, both in the French part and in the Dutch part of the island. It should be noted, all the assistance received by the Island Authorities upon our arrival at the airport, since it was totally militarized, which allowed us to speed up the identity verification process of the people who were going to be transferred, as well as the Messrs. Antero de Jesús Santos Paulino and Junior Luciano who collaborated in the whole process of organization and contact with the community.







**Tórtola, Jost Van Dyke y Virgen
Gorda, Cuba, Dominica,
Martinica, Guadalupe.**

Of the Islands that were also hit by Hurricane Irma and to which they were assisted, Tórtola, Jost Van Dyke and Virgin Gorda, English possessions under the jurisdiction of our Consulate in San Martin, where we have a diaspora of around 5,000 Dominicans , that are dedicated to construction, tourism and trade, which were affected in the vast majority losing their homes. The flights to Tortola were initiated on Tuesday, September 12, through the Sky High Airline, with 13 Dominicans on the first flight No. HI1017



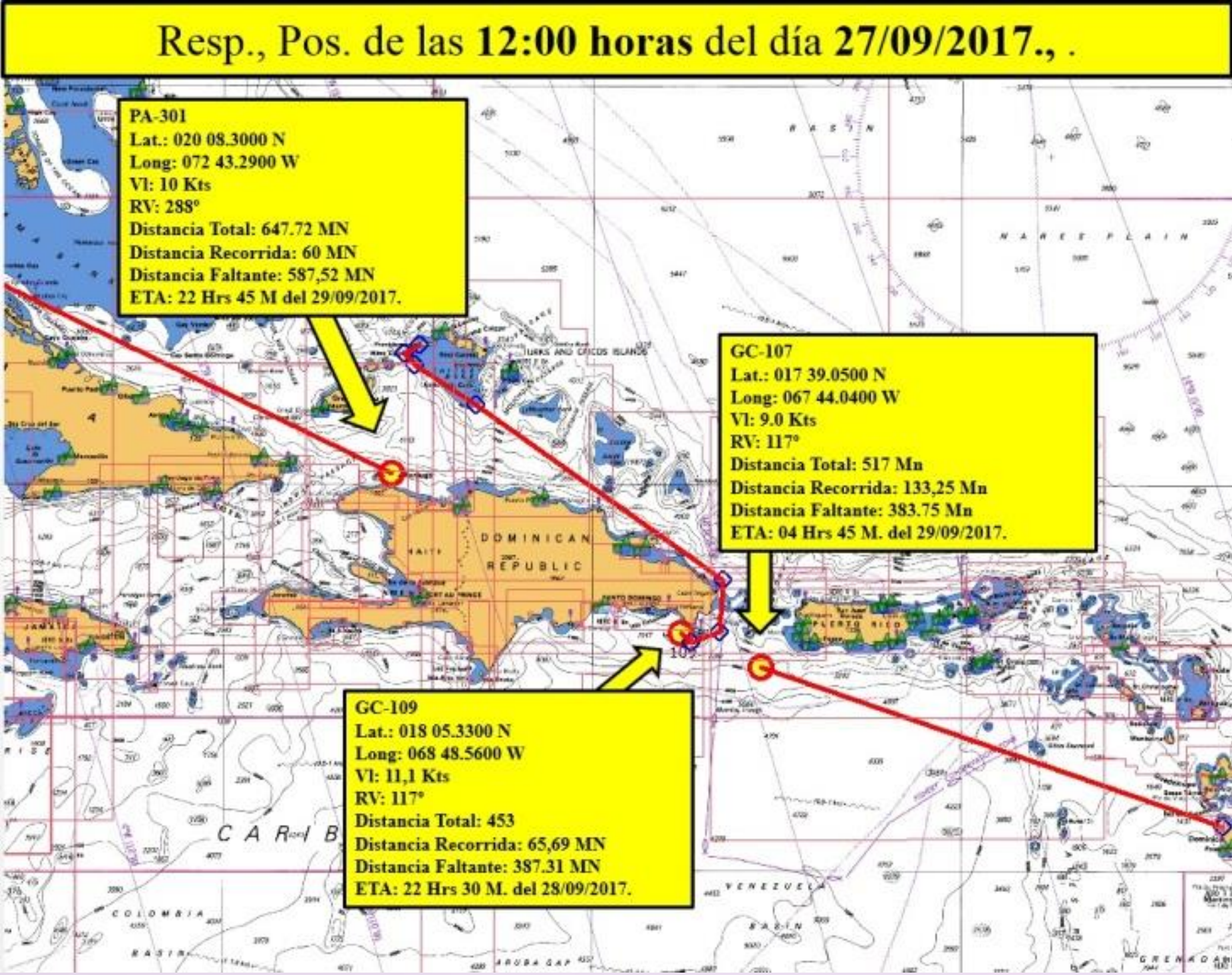


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In addition to the aids that were supplied and sent through Commercial Airlines, they were also provided through the Dominican Navy Vessels to the Islands of Cuba, Guadeloupe, Dominica and Martinique with approximately 22.1 tons of humanitarian aid. Vessel GC -109 ORION was sent to Providenciales, GC-107 CANOPUS was sent to Dominica and PA-301 to Cuba.





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On September 25, they were transferred to the country under the coordination of the Pan American Health Organization (WHO / PAHO) and the Dominican health authorities through the National Health Service (SNS), as humanitarian assistance after the devastation of Dominica caused by the effects of Hurricane Maria, 17 citizens of Dominica, who were received at the San Isidro Air Base and later transferred to hospitals Darío Contreras, Hugo Mendoza, Vinicio Calventi and Ney Arias Lora, where they were received by the directors hospitals and their medical staff. Unfortunately, one of these patients died. After their recovery, the return of these Dominican citizens was coordinated what was done from the Air Base, as well as the transfer of the deceased person that was made by the Blandino Funeral Home.





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Thanks

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- al Sr. **Franklin Grullón**, Cónsul general de la República Dominicana en Puerto Rico
- al Sr. **Gary Stone**, Presidente de PAWA Dominicana

¡Gracias!



Recommendations

Saint Martin

- With regard to the Consulate of Saint Martin, where we had our Consul General Mrs. Ramona Aurora Martí Maceo, in this situation, the lack of coordination and work with the community was very evident, since the complaint by the Dominicans in the island concerning the consulate was general. It should be noted that this Mission has a staff of 13 people of which only 3 attend, including the Consul, which makes efficient work in our Mission in favor of our diaspora impossible, which amounts to 18,000 in both parts of the Mission. island.
- It is our recommendation that control mechanisms be created to verify the assistance of consular personnel in the Missions, thus preventing the Mission's work from being affected by the lack of personnel.

Puerto Rico

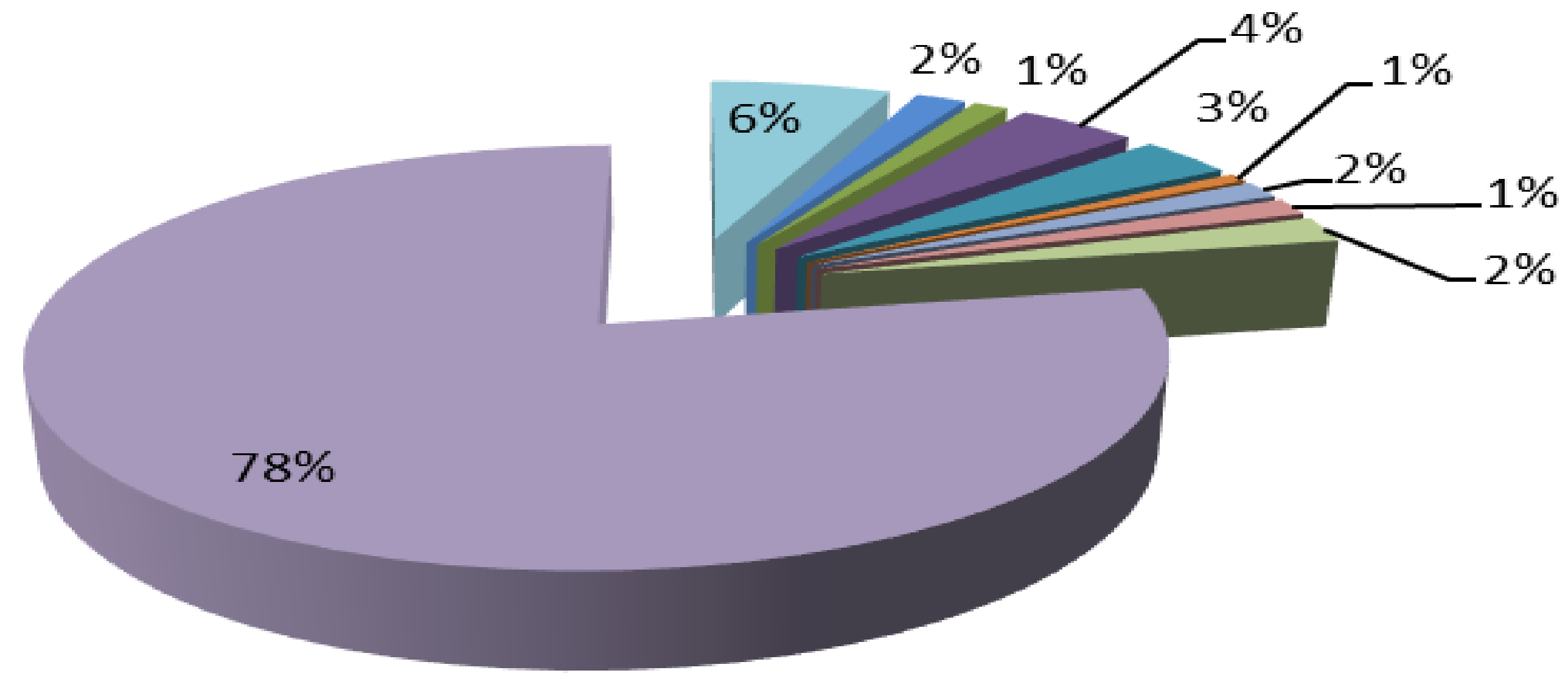
- Regarding the Consulate of Puerto Rico, where we have our Consul General Franklin Grullón, we must recognize the active participation of Mr. Grullón in everything that was the operatives in the islands that have jurisdiction.
- Thanks to the effective work team that supports it, a large relief operation was deployed, both for the delivery of food and for the transfer of Dominicans from the islands of Tórtola, Providenciales and Virgen Gorda and around the last operations that are still being carried out in the Island of Puerto Rico, since it is well known, the devastation that there was, reason why we are still requesting some aid.
- It is our recommendation as a result of these incidents, that mobile consulates in those islands be opened with a trained personnel, that allows to meet the needs of the services that are required by our Dominican residents, which amounts to 225,000.

Guadalupe

- Regarding the Consulate of Guadeloupe, where we have our Consul General Andrea Medina, we highlight the immense work and support provided by our Consul in the operations, since having the jurisdiction of the French part of San Martin helped us with the authorities for the logistics part in the French part of San Martin, as well as the logistics and assistance in Martinique and Dominica, where they suffered great devastation after the passage of atmospheric phenomena, deploying a broad operation that allowed them to be organized, quickly and effective assistance will be provided and the aid sent by our Dominican government will be delivered.
- It should be noted that the Dominican population in these islands is 12,000 in Guadeloupe, 6,000 in Martinique and 3,500 in Dominica, which merits constant transfers from Consul Andrea Medina, since it only has one (1) named person, having to cover an administrative staff to be able to provide all the assistance our diaspora requires in those islands, for which we recommend;
- To appoint more personnel.
- As well as ponder the increase of the endowment of that Mission that is of US \$ 7,045.00, which does not correspond with the work that must be done in the islands of its jurisdiction.

NAME	QUANTITY
SAINT MARTIN	18,000
TORTOLA & VIRGEN GORDA	5,000
DOMINICA	3,500
GUADALUPE	12,000
FRENCH GUYANA	9,500
BARBADOS	2,000
TURCAS & CAICOS	4,000
ANTIGUA	4,000
MARTINICA	6,000
PUERTO RICO	225,000
TOTAL	289,000

- SAN MARTIN
- GUADALUPE
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- PUERTO RICO
- TORTOLA Y VIRGEN GORDA
- GUYANA FRANCESA
- ANTIGUA
- DOMINICA
- BARBADOS
- MARTINICA





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THANKS!

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