

Kate Osamor comment on the announcement that Emmanuel Macron will visit St Martin on Tuesday

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Osamor MP, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for International Development, commenting on the announcement that Emmanuel Macron will visit St Martin on Tuesday, said,

"Hurricane

Irma is the worst Atlantic storm to have hit in years, and people's lives have been devastated in Anguilla, the British Virgin Islands and across the Caribbean.

"Boris

Johnson was clear on Sunday that this is a national disaster being treated as though in Inverness, Dover or St. Ives. Donald Trump is headed to Florida, and now Emmanuel Macron will visit St Martin tomorrow.

"But

with the UK response to Irma drawing wide criticism, Theresa May is still to announce whether she or Boris Johnson will visit those most affected, look them in the eye and put their concerns at the centre of her government's response plan.

"The British people in the Overseas Territories deserve to see first-hand that the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary are doing everything they can to get a grip on this national disaster."