# News story: Hurricanes Irma and Maria: government response and advice

Updated: Foreign Secretary's ministerial meeting support to UK Overseas
Territories added

## Travel advice for places affected by Hurricanes Irma and Maria

Hotline for British people affected or concerned about others in Dominica: +44 (0)20 7008 0000.

Hurricanes Irma and Maria affected large parts of the Caribbean. The Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) updated travel advice to provide guidance for British nationals in the countries and overseas territories affected:

- Anguilla
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Bahamas
- British Virgin Islands
- Cuba
- Dominica
- Dominican Republic
- <u>Guadeloupe</u>
- Haiti
- Martinique
- Montserrat
- St Eustatius and Saba
- St Kitts and Nevis
- St Lucia
- <u>St Maarten</u>
- St Vincent and the Grenadines
- Turks and Caicos Islands
- USA

See also the guidance on what to do if you're affected by a crisis overseas.

#### Keep up-to-date with changes to travel advice

- subscribe to e-mail alerts for GOV.UK travel advice updates.
- follow @FCOtravel on Twitter or FCOtravel on Facebook

### Government response

#### 27 September

• <u>Foreign Secretary chairs ministerial meeting on support to UK Overseas</u>
Territories

#### 24 September

• International Development Secretary: extra £5 million UK aid to Dominica

#### 22 September

• HMS Ocean arrives in the Caribbean

#### 21 September

• International Development Secretary's update on Hurricane Maria

#### 20 September

• Sir Alan Duncan's interview on the Today programme

#### 18 September

- <u>First Secretary of State's update on government response to Hurricanes</u>
  Irma and Maria
- International Development Secretary: UK ready to respond to Hurricane Maria
- <u>Sir Alan Duncan's post-COBR meeting statement on Hurricane Maria</u>
- Foreign Secretary's United Nations General Assembly meeting on Burma and also Hurricane Irma

#### 15 September

- Overseas Territories Minister visits the Turks and Caicos Islands
- Over 60 tonnes of UK aid has now reached the Caribbean
- <u>Public Health England experts to aid recovery on storm-hit Overseas</u> Territories
- <u>UK government response in numbers: 15 September</u>

#### 14 September

- Foreign Secretary's press conference with Rex Tillerson
- £1.3 million raised for Hurricane Irma British Red Cross Appeal
- Bermuda's support for the hurricane relief effort

#### 13 September

- Foreign Secretary's visit to the UK Overseas Territories
- Foreign Secretary to host high level talks on Hurricane Irma

#### 12 September

- UK continues to urgently deliver vital aid
- International Development Secretary's update on the UK response

- Sir Alan Duncan's statement to the House of Commons
- Foreign Secretary to visit hurricane-hit islands
- <u>UK government response in numbers: 13 September</u>

#### 11 September

- Foreign Secretary's interview with media
- COBR meeting: Foreign Secretary's statement
- Foreign Secretary's interview on BBC Today Programme
- <u>UK government response in numbers: 11 September</u>

#### 10 September

- Foreign Secretary's post-COBR meeting statement on support for the UK Overseas Territories
- Their ordeal is not over but UK is doing everything it can to help Hurricane Irma victims: Boris Johnson's article
- <u>UK government actions update</u>

#### 9 September

- <u>UK military provides relief to the Caribbean through Operation Ruman</u>
- UK government matches public donations to British Red Cross Appeal

#### 8 September

- Prime Minister's statement following the COBR meeting
- International Development Secretary: more than 20 tonnes of UK aid on its way to the Caribbean
- Foreign Secretary's update

#### 7 September

- Prime Minister announces £32 million support
- International Development Secretary's update on UK support
- <u>Sir Alan Duncan's statement to the House of Commons on the UK government response</u>
- Foreign Secretary's statement on Anguilla and the British Virgin Islands
- Prime Minister's call with President Macron

#### 6 September

• <u>International Development Secretary's statement on support from UK aid experts and British naval ship RFA Mounts Bay</u>

Overview of how the UK government has supported Anguilla after Hurricane Irma

Anguilla overview