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## **NOTICE**

### **Hurricane Florence – Update**

Hurricane Florence is currently a category 4 storm and is now projected to make landfall along the South Carolina and North Carolina coasts this Friday, between 8am-12pm. Tropical storm force winds are expected this Wednesday evening. Hurricane, storm surge, and flood warnings are in effect from the Virginia/North Carolina border to Edisto, South Carolina. Foreign Missions are encouraged to monitor and follow state and local authorities as well as FEMA during this hurricane.

Foreign Missions are encouraged to immediately contact emergency responders by dialing 911 in the event of severe damage or physical injuries at its facilities and residences. Further, as a result of the hurricane, missions should notify the Department of State's Protective Liaison Division by telephone at (202) 566-8434 if any facilities or residences suffer damage suspected of compromising building security.

Please contact OFM/DC if you need immediate assistance at 202-647-3417 (normal business hours), [OFM-EmergencyMgt@state.gov](mailto:OFM-EmergencyMgt@state.gov), or the Department of State Operations Center at 202-647-1512 for after-hours emergencies.

For the most current information regarding the storm, please visit the National Hurricane Center website at <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/> and the websites of your local authorities.

Additional information and resources concerning hurricane readiness is available at <http://www.state.gov/ofm/emergency/hurricane/index.htm>.