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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject:

Forty-first session of the RA IV Hurricane Committee (Curação, 18-22

March 2019)

Action required:

Completed nomination forms to be submitted to WMO Secretariat on or

before 14 February 2019

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have pleasure in informing you that, at the kind invitation of the Government of Curaçao, the forty-first session of the RA IV Hurricane Committee will be held in Curaçao, from 18 to 22 March 2019.

According to Resolution 5 (RA IV-16), your country is represented in this Committee. I am therefore pleased to invite you to nominate an expert responsible for tropical cyclone forecasting to attend the session. The information note for participants and nomination form are attached herewith. The provisional annotated agenda for the session will be made available in due course.

In accordance with WMO General Regulation 37, the "expenses for the attendance of members of working groups of constituent bodies at sessions of these groups shall normally be borne by the Members to which those members belong." It is, therefore hoped that your Government would consider covering the cost of participation of your nominated expert. However, upon request, WMO could consider providing financial support (travel and a lump sum in lieu of per diem) for the participation of your nominated expert.

In order to clarify WMO's insurance coverage for non-staff members, please advise experts in the above-mentioned session, before they undertake travel, as follows:

"In the case of non-staff members of the Organization who are authorized to travel at its expense and/or who are receiving a daily subsistence allowance, the WMO accepts limited responsibility for compensation in the event of death, illness or injury attributable to attendance at meetings or the performance of services on behalf of the Organization. These persons therefore remain fully responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of events which are not attributable to attendance at meetings or performances of services on behalf of the Organization and for arranging such life, health and other forms of insurance as they consider appropriate".

To:

Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association IV (limited

distribution)

cc:

Mr Juan Carlos Fallas Sojo, President of RA IV

Mr Kenneth Graham, Chairperson of the RA IV Hurricane Committee

update the Operation Plan for the coordination of hurricane warning services across the Region, which remains its most important and significant responsibility.

For administrative purposes, I should be grateful if you could notify WMO Secretariat **on or before 14 February 2019**, of the attendance of your nominated expert, and whether financial assistance would be required.

I would like to express my appreciation for your continued support in promoting the Programmes and activities of WMO.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang) for the Secretary-General

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Curaçao, Dutch Caribbean, 18 to 22 March 2019

# **INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS**

#### 1. Place and dates of the session

The forty-first session of the RA IV Hurricane Committee will be held in Curacao, from 18 to 22 March 2019.

The venue for the session will be:

Santa Barbara Beach & Golf Resort, Curação Santa Barbara Plantation, Porta Blancu, Nieuwpoort, Curação, Dutch Caribbean

Toll Free Reservations: +1-844-288-2124

Resort Direct: +5999-840-1234

Ms. Melanie Klooster, Catering Manager

Tel: +59998404131

www.santabarbararesortcuracao.com

#### 2. **Working languages**

The working languages of the session will be English Spanish. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided for the meeting.

#### 3. **Documentation**

The pre-session documents and the provisional reports will be available in English and Spanish. In order to make these documents available in both languages (on the website http://www.wmo.int/pages/prog/www/tcp/HC-41.html by 22 February 2019), participants are requested to provide contributions by 13 February 2019.

#### 4. **Local Organizing Committee contact details**

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#### 5. Entry/Visa Requirements

All participants need to check the visa requirements with the Dutch Embassy or Consulate in their countries. In order to obtain precise information on regulations and deadlines for submission of visa applications, participants are advised to begin the visa process as early as possible.

#### 6. Hotel accommodation

A block of 60 Resort View King and 10 Resort View Double has been reserved under the name of Meteorological Department Curacao with special rates until 22th of February 2019.

The rate as shown below includes the room + breakfast + WIFI Internet.

Resort View King ROOM:

SINGLE:\$134.00++ DOUBLE:\$144.00++

Resort View Double ROOM

SINGLE:\$134.00++ DOUBLE: \$144.00++

All reservation must be sent to the Meteorological Department Curacao by using the Hotel Reservation Form (below). Meteorological Department will make a rooming list for the hotel. The rooming list must be submitted to the hotel before 22 February 2019.

#### 7. Transportation from and to the airport

Free hotel transportation service will be provided from the airport to the hotel and vice versa by the Meteorological Department, for the participants who send their travel dates and flight numbers on the hotel reservation form to the Local Secretariat. In addition taxis are making the line just outside the terminal of the airport. The rate for one way, airport-hotel is around USD 75.

### 8. Mode of payment/Currency

There are currency exchange offices in Curação International airport which are open 8 hours. All banks also have exchange offices (opening hours are 8:00 to 16:00). The local currency is the Florin ( $\[ \in \] 1 \approx \]$  Fl 2. 08; US\$ 1  $\[ \approx \]$  Fl 1.82. All currency quotations are subject to fluctuation). Credit cards are accepted at major hotels and there are numerous auto banks that accept international debit cards.

<sup>\*</sup>Rate is excluding (26.26%) of service charge and tax

## 9. Average climate in March in Curação



Mean temperature: 27.2°C Mean maximum 30.3°C

temperature:

Mean minimum 24.9°C

temperature:

Mean precipitation: 95.5 mm

Mean duration of 8.0 hours daily

sunshine:

Please find below a few useful Websites:

http://www.meteo.cw

http://www.facebook.com/meteo.curacao

#### 10. Other

The electric supply in St. Barbara Resort is 220volts/50Hz with plugs as shown below



#### 11. WMO Secretariat

Any additional information concerning the arrangements for the session may be requested from:

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# WDS/TCP/HC-41, ANNEX II

# FORTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE RA IV HURRICANE COMMITTEE CURAÇAO, 18-22 MARCH 2019

#### **NOMINATION FORM**

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City – Country					
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# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

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