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Annexes: 2 (available in English only)

Subject: Forty-first session of the RA IV Hurricane Committee (Curaçao, 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.

The function of the Committee may be broadly described as, among others, coordination and improvement of the hurricane forecasting and warning services, and thereby, the reduction of casualties and damage resulting from hurricanes in the Region.

Since some aspects of the agenda for the session are related to the activities of your country, I am pleased to invite you to nominate an expert from your Service to participate as a representative, in the above-mentioned 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.

For administrative purposes, I should be grateful if you could notify the WMO Secretariat **on or before 14 February 2019**, whether a representative from your Service will be able to attend the session.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Zhang)  
for the Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association IV, Canada, France, Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America with WMO (limited distribution)

cc: Mr Juan Carlos Fallas Sojo, President of RA IV  
Mr Kenneth Graham, Chairperson of the RA IV Hurricane Committee



## **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, Curaçao  
Santa Barbara Plantation, Porta Blancu, Nieuwpoort,  
Curaçao, Dutch Caribbean

Toll Free Reservations: +1-844-288-2124  
Resort Direct: +5999-840-1234  
Ms. Melanie Klooster, Catering Manager  
Tel: +59998404131  
[www.santabarbararesortcuracao.com](http://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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Seru Mahuma z/n  
Willemstad, Curaçao  
Dutch Caribbean

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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++

\*Rate is excluding (26.26%) of service charge and tax

**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 Curaçao 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 (€1 ≈ Fl 2.08; US\$ 1 ≈ 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.

## 9. Average climate in March in Curaçao



Mean temperature: 27.2°C  
 Mean maximum temperature: 30.3°C  
 Mean minimum temperature: 24.9°C  
 Mean precipitation: 95.5 mm  
 Mean duration of sunshine: 8.0 hours daily

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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 Chief,  
 Tropical Cyclone Program Division  
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**For Official use only:** Confirmation No: \_\_\_\_\_ Check in \_\_\_\_\_ Check out \_\_\_\_\_  
Date notified: \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOTEL RESERVATION FORM

Please send this completed form to:  
Ivane de Palm: info@meteo.cw

**GUEST INFORMATION** ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms.

First name ..... Last name.....

Organisation .....

Address.....

City.....City .....ZIP.....Country.....

Phone .....Fax.....

E-mail.....

**Number of persons sharing room.....Sharing with:**

Last name (guest 2).....First name.....

### Flight information

Please fill in flight information to receive complimentary transport from the airport to the hotel and from the hotel to the airport.

#### ARRIVAL INFORMATION

Date .....Time.....Airline.....Flight No.....

#### DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Date.....Time..... Airline.....Flight No.....

Date.....

Signature.....

**WDS/TCP/HC-41, ANNEX II**

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

**NOMINATION FORM**

The Government of ..... nominates:

<b>Family Name</b>			<b>Gender</b>
<b>First Name</b>			Male <input type="checkbox"/>
			Female <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Address (Office)</b>			
<b>City – Country</b>			
<b>Telephone</b>	Office +	Home +	
<b>Fax</b>	Office +	Home +	
<b>E-mail</b>			
<b>Date and Place of Birth</b>		<b>Nationality</b>	
<b>Passport No. *</b>		<b>Expiry Date</b>	

\* Please attach a copy of passport

**Present position and brief description of current duties:**

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**Name and address of person to be notified in case of emergency:**

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Date

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Signature of Permanent Representative

To be completed and returned by fax + 41-22-730-8021 or by mail,  
**on or before 14 February 2019**  
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with a copy  
to: [acfontan@wmo.int](mailto:acfontan@wmo.int) [cbihute@wmo.int](mailto:cbihute@wmo.int)

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