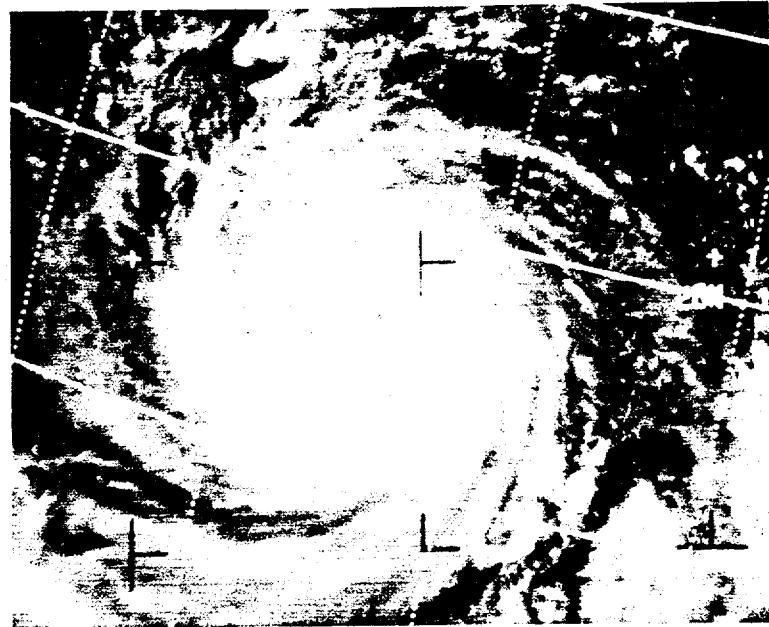


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FOREWORD

This report is published annually and summarizes Western North Pacific Tropical Cyclones. Annex A summarizes tropical cyclones from 180 degrees eastward to the North American Coast.

When directed by CINCPAC in May 1959, CINCPACFLT redesignated Fleet Weather Central Guam as Fleet Weather Central/Joint Typhoon Warning Center (FWC/JTWC), Guam with the following responsibilities:

1. To provide warnings to U. S. Government agencies for all tropical cyclones north of the equator and west of 180 degrees longitude to the coast of Asia and Malay Peninsula.
2. To determine tropical cyclone reconnaissance requirements and assign priorities.
3. To conduct investigative and post-analysis programs including preparation of the Annual Typhoon Report.
4. To conduct tropical cyclone forecasting and detection research as practicable.

Air Force Asian Weather Central at Fuchu, coordinating with U. S. Navy Fleet Weather Facility Yokosuka, was designated as alternate JTWC in case of failure of FWC/JTWC Guam.

The JTWC is an integral part of FWC/JTWC Guam and is authorized to be manned by three Air Force and three Navy officers and five enlisted men from each service. The senior Air Force officer is designated as Director, JTWC.

The Western Pacific Tropical Cyclone Warning System consists of the Joint Typhoon Warning Center, the U. S. Air Force 54th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron stationed at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam and U. S. Navy Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE stationed at Naval Air Station, Agana, Guam.

The Central Pacific Hurricane Center (CPHC), Honolulu is responsible for the area from 180° eastward to 140°W and north of the equator. Warnings are issued in coordination with the FLEWEACEN Pearl Harbor and the Air Force Central Pacific Forecast Center, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.

The Eastern Pacific Hurricane Center (EPHC), San Francisco is responsible for the area east of 140°N and north of the equator. Warnings are issued in coordination with the FLEWEACEN Alameda and the Air Force Hurricane Liaison Officer, McClellan Air Force Base, California.

The coordinating agencies under CINCPACFLT and CINCPACAF are responsible for further dissemination and, if necessary, local modification of tropical cyclone warnings to U. S. military agencies.

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CHAPTER 1

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

A. GENERAL

Services provided by the Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC) include forecasts of tropical cyclone formation, intensity, direction and speed of movement and areal extent of damaging winds. The primary products of JTWC providing these services are the Tropical Cyclone Formation Alert issued when formation of a tropical cyclone is suspect, and tropical cyclone warnings issued in 1970 at 0500Z plus every six hours whenever tropical cyclones existed in the JTWC area.

FLEWEACEN Guam provides computer and meteorological/oceanographic analysis support for JTWC.

Communications services for JTWC are provided by the Nimitz Hill Message Center of NAVCOMMSTA Guam.

Prior to the 1970 typhoon season the Fleet Weather Central Guam Communications Center was consolidated with the larger Nimitz Hill Message Center. This caused many excessive delays in JTWC's outgoing traffic (primarily warnings, alerts, etc.) during the first few storms of the season. However after much effort on the part of the Nimitz Hill Message Center staff and the Operations Department of Fleet Weather Central Guam, excessive delays were greatly reduced by October 1970. The use of FLASH precedence on all warnings to U. S. forces afloat virtually eliminated excessive delays to these customers.

B. ANALYSES AND DATA SOURCES

1. FWC ANALYSES:

a. Surface polar stereographic projection analysis, Northern Hemisphere, Western Pacific area; 0000Z, 0600Z, 1200Z, and 1800Z.

b. Surface micro-analysis of South China Sea region; 0000Z, 0600Z, 1200Z, and 1800Z.

c. Surface mercator projection analysis, Northern and Southern Hemisphere, Western Pacific and Indian Ocean area; 0600Z and 1800Z.

d. Sea surface temperature charts; daily.

2. JTWC ANALYSES:

a. Gradient level (3,000 feet) streamline analysis and nephanalysis of satellite-observed significant cloudiness; 0000Z and 1200Z.

b. 700 mb, 500 mb, and 200 mb mercator projection contour analysis; 0000Z and 1200Z.

c. Reconnaissance data. Observations from weather reconnaissance aircraft are plotted on large scale sectional charts.

d. Time cross sections of selected tropical stations.

e. Time sections of surface reports for selected tropical stations.

f. Additional and more frequent analyses similar to those above during periods of tropical cyclone activity.

3. SATELLITE DATA:

The quantity and quality of satellite data continued to increase during the 1970 typhoon season. ESSA-8 continued to be the primary source of satellite data during the morning hours. These data were interspersed with NIMBUS III satellite passes. In February 1970 the first ITOS satellite became operational providing afternoon satellite coverage, and in December 1970 the second of the ITOS series was launched giving additional afternoon coverage.

During the night both ITOS-1 and NIMBUS III IR coverage was received until 25 September when the NIMBUS equipment failed. Only the center portion of a DRIR pass gives an undistorted view of cloud patterns, therefore there is a significant gap between each sub-orbital track which is not viewed clearly. The chance of a disturbance being within the undistorted portion of the satellite's swath was significantly reduced when the NIMBUS III equipment failed. The IR passes were also used for briefing reconnaissance crews making early morning investigative flights into tropical disturbances.

Excellent satellite coverage was received between 120°E and 160°E using Fleet Weather Central Guam's APT equipment. Fleet Weather Central Pearl Harbor furnished live APT coverage for area east of 160°E via dedicated landline. Sparse coverage of the area west of 120°E was furnished by Clark AFB by means of a taped pass relayed over AUTOVON. Unfortunately the poor quality of the taped data reduced its usefulness.

4. RADAR:

Land radar reports, when available, were used for tracking tropical cyclones during the 1970 typhoon season. Once a storm moved within range of a land radar site, reports were usually received hourly.

Figure 1-1 shows the network of land radar stations in the Western Pacific and Southeast Asia. Most of the major

RADAR COVERAGE CHART

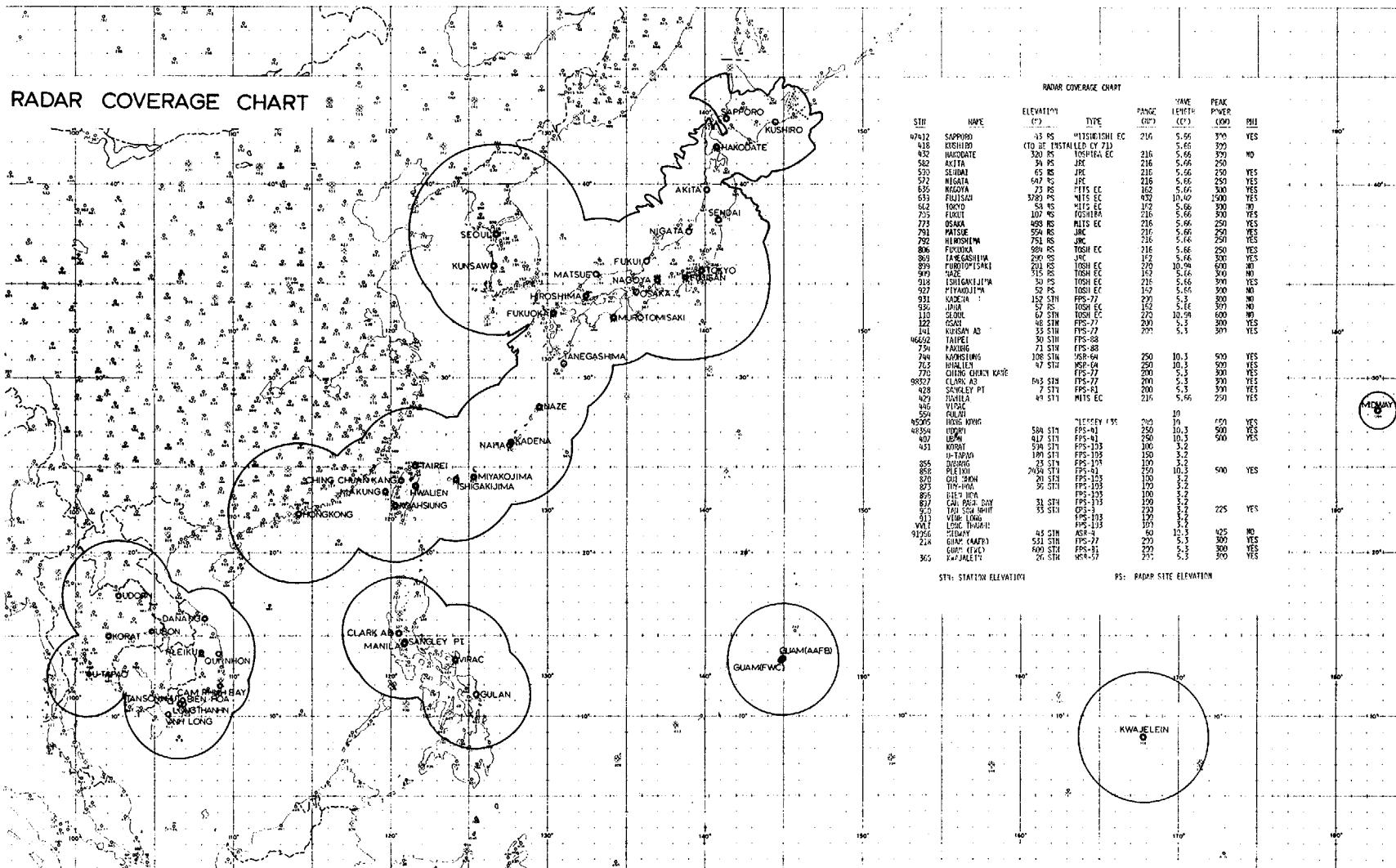


FIGURE 1-1

population centers have excellent radar coverage, especially in Japan. Pertinent data for most stations are included in the insert. Japan's Mt. Fuji radar has the greatest range due to its high elevation and extreme power. An example of the radar presentation from the Mt. Fuji site is given in Chapter 5 (Typhoon Clara).

5. COMPUTER PRODUCTS, 0000Z and 1200Z:

a. Hemispheric analyses and barotropic prognoses for 1000 mb, 700 mb, 500 mb, 300 mb, and 200 mb. (Replaced by Primitive Equation model Progs in mid 1970).

b. Decomposition fields of the 500 mb (SD, SR and SL) analyses and prognoses. The SD, SR, and SL fields correspond roughly to small scale disturbances, mean flow and long wave pattern respectively.

c. Computer analysis of tropical streamlines for the 700-, 500-, 400-, 300-, 250-, and 200-mb levels from FWC Pearl fields were used in 1970.

d. The HATRACK typhoon steering program based on SR prognostic fields was used on an operational time basis as a forecast aid.

e. The TYRACK typhoon steering program was operationally used during the 1970 season. This program utilizes the FWC Pearl tropical streamline fields for determining forecast movement.

f. In an effort to aid in assessment of development potential, tropospheric vertical shear charts based on FWC Pearl streamline fields were produced twice daily throughout most of the 1970 season along with similarly derived 250 mb and 700 mb divergence charts for the Western Pacific. Vertical shear-values were computed by vector subtraction of the 700 mb wind from a mean of the 400 mb, 300 mb, 250 mb, and 200 mb winds.

g. The TYFOON analog climatological program was first used in 1970 beginning with Typhoon Wilda (August). This program was developed under NAVWEARSCHFAC sponsorship by the National Weather Records Center, and extensively modified at NAVWEARSCHFAC.

C. FORECAST AIDS

1. CLIMATOLOGY:

The following climatological publications were utilized:

- a. Tropical Cyclones in the Western Pacific and China Sea Area (Royal Observatory, Hong Kong), covering 70 years of typhoon tracks.
- b. Climatological Aid to Forecasting Typhoon Movement (1st Weather Wing).
- c. Climatological 24-Hour Typhoon Movement (McCabe, J. T., 1961).
- d. Western Pacific Typhoon Tracks, 1950-1959 (FWC/JTWC).
- e. Far East Climate Atlas (1st Weather Wing, February 1963).
- f. Annual Typhoon Reports, 1959-1969 (FWC/JTWC).
- g. A Climatology of Tropical Cyclones and Disturbances of the Western Pacific with a Suggested Theory for Their Genesis/Maintenance (Gray, Wm. 1970) NAVWEARSCHFAC Tech Paper No. 19-70.

2. PERSISTENCE:

Extrapolation of storm movement using 12 to 18 hour mean speed and direction was the most reliable objective method for 24 hour forecasts.

3. OBJECTIVE TECHNIQUES:

During 1969 the following individual objective forecasting methods were employed:

- a. ARAKAWA - surface pressure grid model.
- b. HATRACK - based on 700 mb SR prognosis.
- c. HATRACK - based on 500 mb SR prognosis.
- d. TYRACK - based on program-selected best steering level from Pearl tropical fields.
- e. TYFOON - analog weighted mean track and best analog track.

(See Chapter 3 for technique evaluation.)

D. FORECASTING PROCEDURES:

1. TRACK FORECASTING: An initial track based on persistence blended subjectively with climatology is developed for a 3 to 4 day period. This initial track is subjectively modified by use of the following:

a. Recent steering is evaluated by considering the latest upper air analyses as representative of the average upper air flow over the past 24 hours. (The latest upper air analyses are normally about 12 hours old thus roughly represent the mid-point of the last 24 hour time interval.) By this technique actual past 24 hour movement serves to indicate the best steering level as well as the effectiveness of steering.

b. Objective techniques are considered, weight is given to techniques according to recent past performance.

c. 24 hour height change analyses and progs are used to forecast track/speed changes. (Hoover 1957).

d. The prospects of recurvature must be evaluated for all westward moving storms. The basic tools for this evaluation are accurate continuity on mid-latitude troughs and numerical progs to indicate changes in amplitude or movement. Relative position and strength of the subtropical ridge and northward beta force are also important considerations.

e. Finally a check is made against climatology to ascertain the likelihood of the forecast. If the forecast track is climatologically unusual a reappraisal of the forecast rationale is made and adjustments are made if warranted.

2. INTENSITY FORECASTING: Intensity forecasts are made by using a linear extrapolation of past intensification subjectively tempered with climatology as a first guess. This first guess is modified considering availability of upper tropospheric evacuation, 850-700 mb temperatures, sea surface temperatures, and possible terrain. All these considerations are predictions along the forecast track and thus dependent on the accuracy of the forecast positions as well as the accuracy of their evaluations.

E. WARNINGS:

Tropical cyclone warnings are numbered consecutively without regard for upgrading or downgrading of the storm between intensity stages. If warnings are discontinued and the storm again intensifies, warnings are numbered consecutively from the last warning issued. Amended or corrected warnings are

given the same number as the warnings they modify. Forecast positions are issued at 0500Z plus every six hours as follows:

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Tropical Depressions | 12 hr and 24 hr |
| Typhoons and Tropical Storms | 12, 24, and 48 hr (72 hr at 11Z and 23Z only) |

Forecast periods are stated with respect to warning time. Thus a 24 hour forecast verifies 26 hours after the aircraft fix data, 29 hours after the latest surface synoptic chart and 29 to 35 hours after the latest upper air charts.

Warning forecast positions are verified against the corresponding post analysis "best track" positions. A summary of results from 1970 is presented in Chapter 4.

F. PROGNOSTIC REASONING MESSAGE:

Whenever warnings are being issued, an amplifying message is issued at 00Z and 12Z. This prognostic reasoning message is intended to provide meteorological units with technical and non-technical reasoning appropriate to the behavior of current storms and the logic of the latest JTWC forecasts.

G. TROPICAL WEATHER SUMMARY:

This message is issued daily from May through December and otherwise when significant tropical cyclogenesis is forecasted or observed. It is issued at 0600Z and describes the location, intensity and likelihood of development of all tropical low pressure areas and significant cloud "blobs" detected by satellite.

H. TROPICAL CYCLONE FORMATION ALERT:

Alerts are issued when the formation of a tropical cyclone is considered possible or probable. Alerts are typically used to cover a suspect area before reconnaissance can be conducted and additionally to cover an existing tropical depression of low or unknown development potential. These messages are issued at any time, are usually valid for 24 hours unless cancelled, superseded or extended.

REFERENCE:

Hoover, E. W., Devices for Forecasting Movement of Hurricanes, Manuscript of the U. S. Weather Bureau, Jan. 1957.

CHAPTER 2

RECONNAISSANCE

A. GENERAL

The Tropical Cyclone Warning Service depends on aircraft reconnaissance to fix the location and to determine the intensity of tropical cyclones. Due to their physical characteristics, their development and movement over vast oceanic areas, land and ship reports are not sufficient for these determinations. Satellite pictures are an increasingly valuable aid, particularly in the initial detection of the formative stages of tropical cyclones, but at the present time the interpretation of cyclone intensity and center location is not sufficiently accurate for operational use. Satellite data is used primarily as the basis for scheduling aircraft investigative flights.

B. RECONNAISSANCE REQUIREMENTS

JTWC reconnaissance requirements for investigations, fixes, and/or synoptic tracks are relayed to the Tropical Cyclone Reconnaissance Coordinator (TCPC) each day by phone with message confirmation. This includes the area for investigation, the forecast position of the cyclone at the levied fix times, and/or a standard synoptic track. The TCRC then assigns the missions to the Air Force's 54th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron (54WRS) operating WC-130 aircraft and/or the Navy's Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE (VW-1) operating WC-121 aircraft. Both squadrons are based on Guam but often stage from other bases according to the relative location of the reconnaissance area and assets.

Four fixes per day are levied on all tropical cyclones within the JTWC area of responsibility. Fixes are scheduled at six hourly intervals for two hours before warning time. Additional fixes and other information may be requested by operational commanders through the TCRC when such additional information is needed to make operational decisions. These requests are honored as resources permit.

C. EVALUATION OF DATA

Eye data from tropical cyclones are provided by low level penetration, intermediate level penetration, or radar fixes from outside the center. Penetration fixes provide the most data about the cyclone. Of particular interest is the minimum sea level pressure in the center of the cyclone. Radar fixes are made from outside the cyclone center and are based on a "hole" in the radar presentation or the estimated center of the spiral banding. Penetration fixes are made whenever possible but often the small size of the eye combined with the intensity of the winds prohibit penetration for safety of flight.

An evaluation was made of the deviations of the tropical cyclone center fixes from the best track of the storm. (See Chapter 3.) Only right angle deviation was considered. Aircraft fixes from 1967 through 1969 were used along with satellite bulletin positions for 1969 and 1970. The median deviation for aircraft penetration fixes was 3 N.M.; for aircraft radar fixes, 5 N.M.; and for satellite bulletin positions, 16 N.M. The other percentiles and extremes are as shown in Table 2-1.

FIX RIGHT ANGLE DEVIATION FROM BEST TRACK (NM)

| | ACFT PENETRATION | ACFT RADAR | SATELLITE |
|------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | -- 681 CASES 1967-70 | -- 229 CASES 1967-69 | -- 174 CASES 1969-70 |
| MEDIAN | 3 | 5 | 16 |
| 68% WITHIN | 5 | 9 | 28 |
| 95% WITHIN | 15 | 21 | 72 |
| EXTREME | 40 | 58 | 83 |

TABLE 2-1

Aircraft penetrations are considered the most accurate followed closely by aircraft radar with satellite fixes a distant third. From these figures one can see that while satellite data are extremely valuable in the initial detection of tropical cyclogenesis, aircraft fixes must continue to be the primary source for locating tropical cyclones as the initial position from which forecasts are made.

D. PERIPHERAL DATA

In order to gather more useful peripheral data from around the cyclone center, standard peripheral data tracks were developed by JTWC in coordination with the reconnaissance squadrons. Figure 2-1 shows the tracks agreed on. Tracks Alfa, Bravo, and Charlie are essentially box patterns of different sizes with the pattern to be flown depending on the extent and intensity of the storm. Track Delta is used for rapidly accelerating cyclones or for ridge investigations along a specified radial from the cyclone center. Normally, the tracks can only be used when the same aircraft is making two fixes six hours apart. JTWC recommends a track to be flown but the ultimate decision as to peripheral track rests with the aircraft commander after arrival on the scene.

PERIPHERAL TRACKS

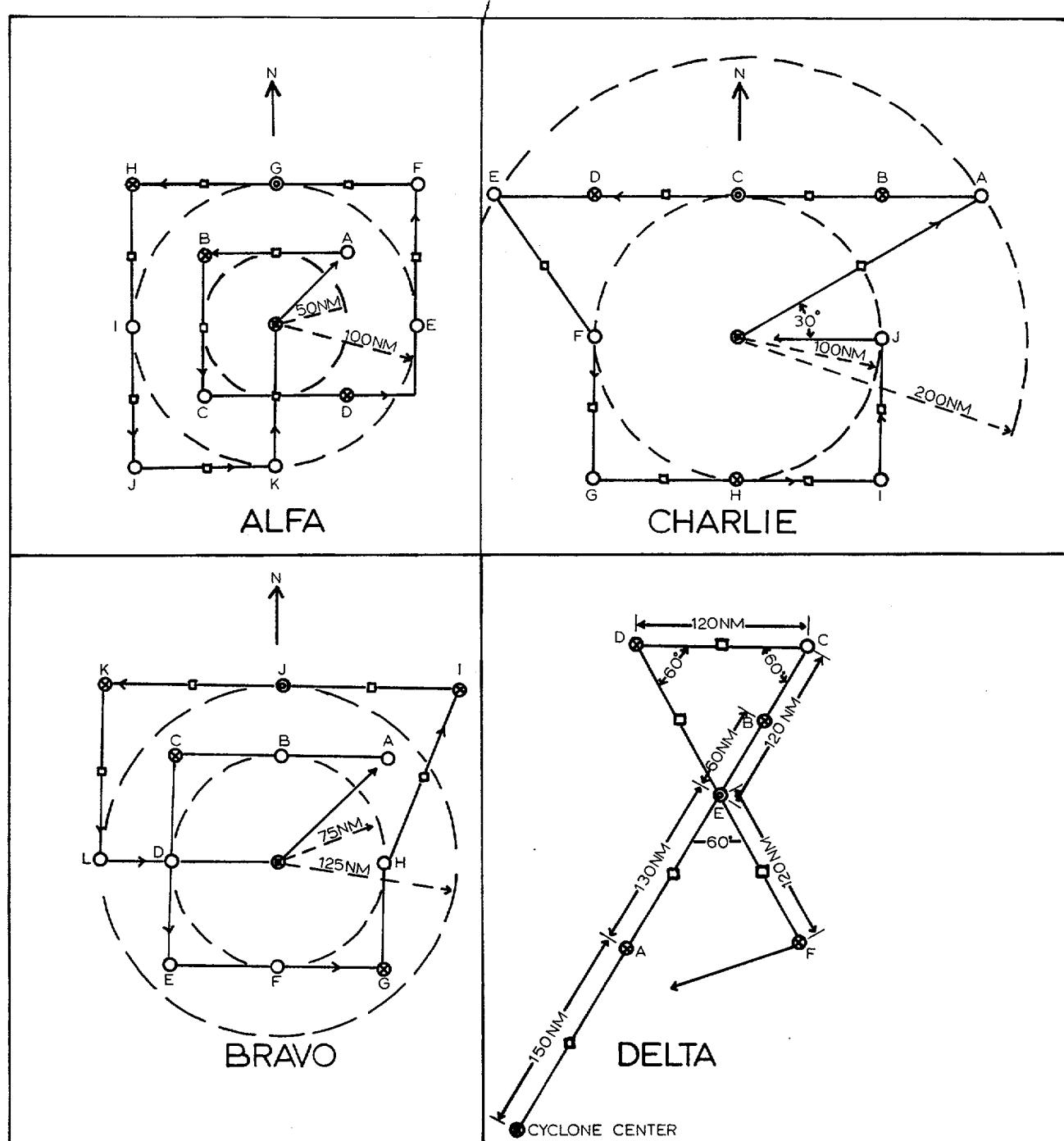


FIGURE 2-1

Figure 2-2 shows an example of Track Bravo flown around Typhoon Hope on 25 September 1970. For clarity, only the winds are plotted around the fixes in this example. Previously, the standard peripheral track was a circle of 150 N.M. radius around the storm. This was often too far from the storm center to provide useful data. With these new tracks, the observations are taken as close to the storm center as flight safety and crew comfort will permit. In the example, Typhoon Hope had maximum surface winds of 120 knots on the first fix and 100 knots on the second fix. The aircrrew was able to fly Track Bravo without difficulty. This was at one half of the previous standard radius of 150 N.M.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

The primary method for relay of the eye/center message from the aircraft to JTWC is by means of a direct phone patch with the aircraft. Andersen Airways is the primary center and is used whenever possible. Other centers are Clark, Kadena, and Fuchu Airways. JTWC and the weather monitor at Andersen copy the eye/center message simultaneously. Routine reconnaissance observations are copied by the weather monitor and transmitted over the teletype without a phone patch to JTWC.

Table 2-2 shows a summary of the delay times for the receipt of fix data for 1970.

DELAY IN RECEIPT OF RECONNAISSANCE DATA FOR 1970

| METHOD | NUMBER OF CASES | MAX DELAY TIME | AVG DELAY TIME | MIN DELAY TIME |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| PHONE PATCH OR PHONE RELAY | 481 | 2hr 03min | 0hr 23min | 0hr 02min |
| SDE9 | 54 | 3hr 30min | 0hr 37min | 0hr 10min* |
| AUTODIN | 2 | 2hr 05min | 1hr 45min | 1hr 25min |
| DALS** | 1 | 0hr 25min | 0hr 25min | 0hr 25min |

*Preliminary eye fix

**Two partial eye messages also received

TABLE 2-2

The delay time is defined as the difference between the time of the fix and the time of receipt of the completed message in JTWC. About ninety percent of the fixes were received by phone patch or phone relay with an average delay of 23 minutes. (Phone relay method from the weather monitor was

TYPHOON HOPE TRACK
BRAVO 25 SEP 1970

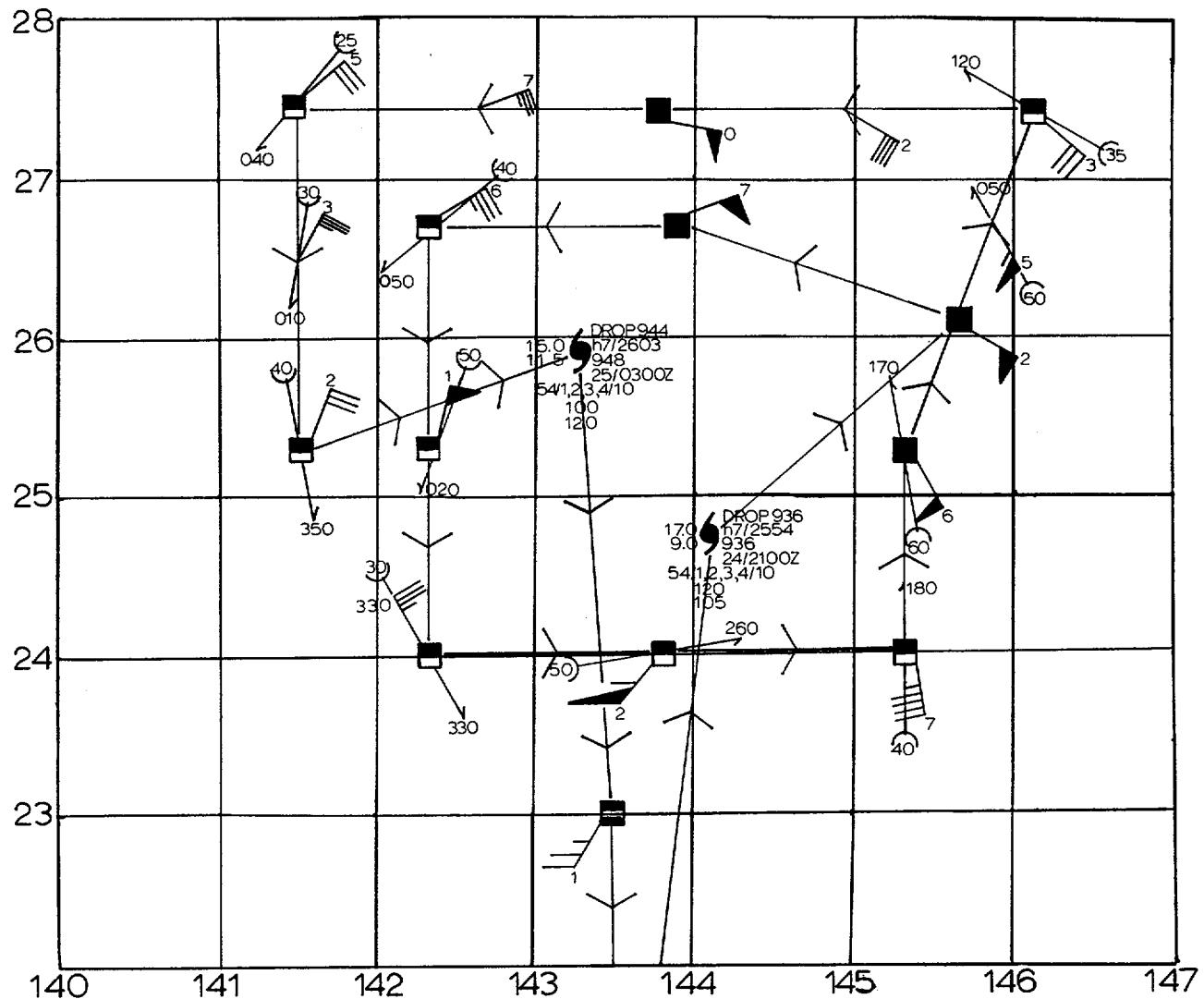


FIGURE 2-2

used in a few cases when the signal from the aircraft was too weak to be copied by JTWC.) About ten percent of the eye fixes were passed from the weather monitor to JTWC via the on-island teletype circuit (SDE9) with an average delay of 37 minutes. Most of these were preliminary fixes in an abbreviated format.

A comparison of delay times for the past five years is shown in Table 2-3.

COMPARISON OF DELAY TIMES WITH PREVIOUS YEARS

| | <u>1966</u> | <u>1967</u> | <u>1968</u> | <u>1969</u> | <u>1970</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| MAX DELAY TIME | 4HR 33M | 11HR 20M | 6HR 25M | 2HR 11M | 3HR 30M |
| AVG DELAY TIME | 1HR 02M | 0HR 43M | 0HR 25M | 0HR 22M | 0HR 25M |
| MIN DELAY TIME | FEW MIN | FEW MIN | FEW MIN | 0HR 01M | 0HR 02M |
| % EYE MSGS DELAYED OVER 1 HOUR | 38% | 16% | 4% | 2.8% | 5% |
| # FIXES RECEIVED AFTER WARNING TIME | 30* | 23 | 6 | 3 | 5 |
| % FIXES RECEIVED AFTER WARNING TIME | 5.4% | 3.1% | 0.7% | 0.6% | 0.9% |

*Fixes scheduled 3 hours prior to warning time vice 2 hours after 1966.

TABLE 2-3

Statistics for the past three years show a leveling off in all values. These are all within acceptable limits. Little or no reduction in delay times can be foreseen within the present system.

F. AIRCRAFT RECONNAISSANCE SUMMARY

Aircraft reconnaissance missions for 1970 included 211 synoptic tracks, 168 investigations, and 439 levied fix missions completed. There were also 60 nonlevied preliminary and intermediate fixes made. A total of 10 levied fixes or investigatives were missed; five of these were for fixes when two storms were in progress at the same time. This gives a total of 607 levied fixes and investigatives completed which is only slightly below the average of 644 for the period 1962 through 1970. Figure 2-3 shows the monthly distribution of

MONTHLY DISTRIBUTION OF RECONNAISSANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 1970

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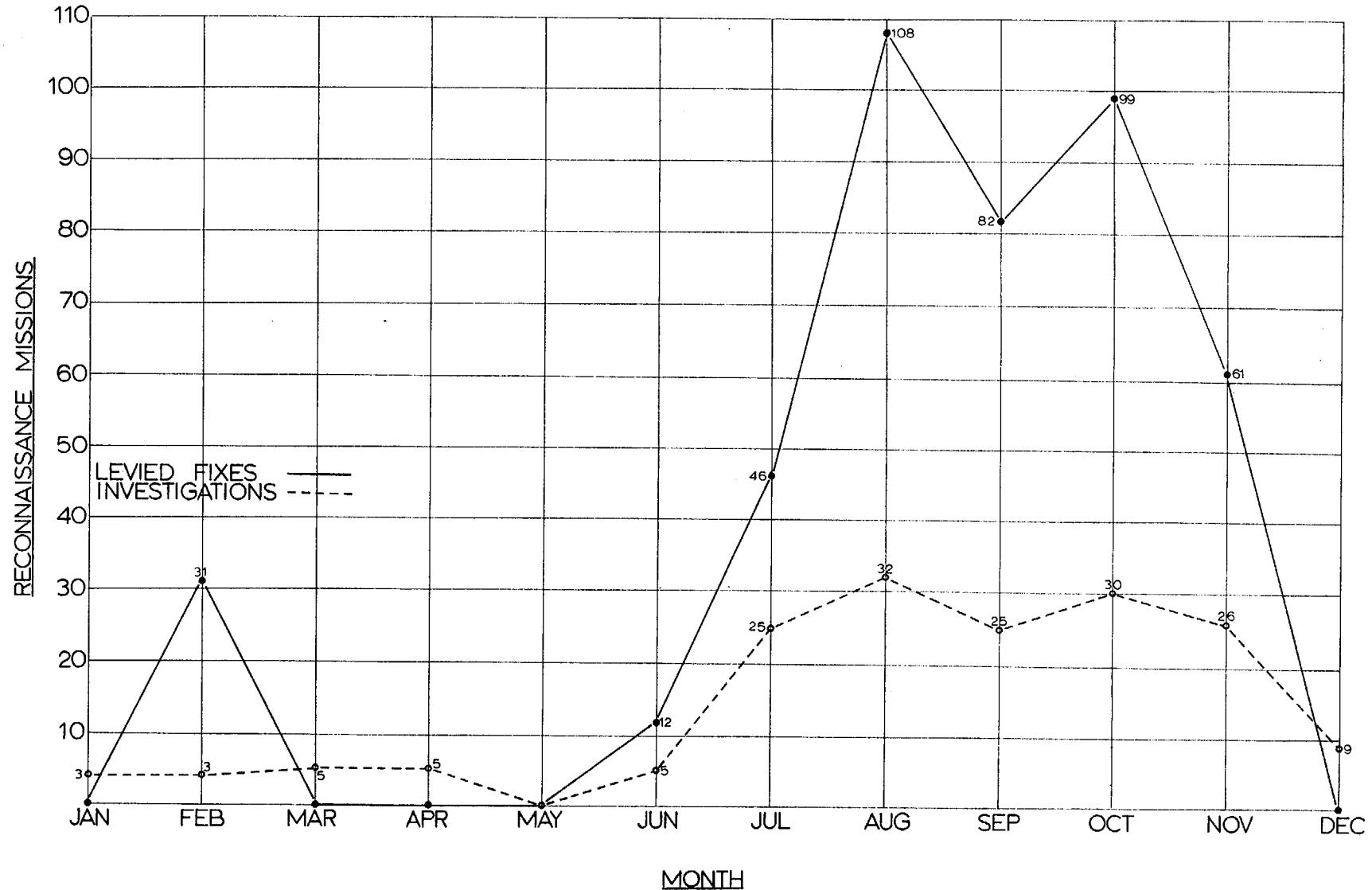


FIGURE 2-3

reconnaissance requirements for 1970. Few missions were required during the first half of the year with 88% of the requirements occurring during the five-month period July through November. Fixes for this past year show a peak caused by Typhoon Nancy in February. Cyclones may occur during any month of the year but normally there is not more than one typhoon occurring during the first four months. About 80% of the reconnaissance requirements normally occur during July through November.

G. RECONNAISSANCE EFFECTIVENESS

Based on the credit system shown in Table 2-4, a percent effectiveness was computed for cyclone fixes, investigations, and for the combined effectiveness. This system is only an evaluation of the time the fix was made compared to the levied fix time. No provision is included for type or quality of fix.

Of 470 levied cyclone fixes, 415 were made on time with another 23 missions falling into the Class 2 category. Twenty fixes were made either early or late, 8 fixes were missed completely while the remaining four missions failed to fix an existing center. Out of 1,410 points possible, 1,341 were earned or a fix effectiveness of 95.1%. Of the 170 levied investigations, 2 missions were missed, 46 resulted in center fixes, and 122 missions were flown into suspect areas without a detectable center. A total of 502 points were earned out of a possible 510 for a 98.4% investigative effectiveness. The combined effectiveness for fixes and investigatatives was 96.0%. The average recon effectiveness for the last five years is 96.6% with very little deviation from year to year. This average value apparently approaches optimum utilization of reconnaissance resources available to WESTPAC.

RECON CREDIT DEFINITIONS WITH MISSIONS FOR 1970

| <u>CLASS</u> | <u>DEFINITION</u> | <u>POINTS</u> | <u>CRITERIA</u> | <u>1970</u> |
|--------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--|-------------|
| 1 | Full Credit Fix | +3 | Fix made from 1 hour before to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after levied time. | 415 |
| 2 | Full Credit Fix | +3 | Aircraft in area assigned from 1 hour before to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after levied time but unable to locate a center or unforecast cyclone acceleration caused the cyclone to be too distant to reach on time. Also fix attempted but not made due to reasons beyond the control of the squadron such as cyclone moved over land, restricted flying area, clearance problems, etc. | 23 |
| 3 | Early/Late Fix | +2 | Fix made more than 1 hour but not more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours before or more than $\frac{1}{2}$ hour but not more than 2 hours after levied time. | 15 |
| 4 | Very Early/ Very Late Fix | +1 | Fix made more than $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours before or more than 2 hours after levied time. | 5 |
| 5 | Fix Attempted But Not Made | 0 | Recon provided some useful peripheral data but no fix was made. Reasons may include such things as mechanical trouble, low fuel, etc. | 4 |
| 6 | Missed Fix or Investigative | -1 | Missed fix not covered by classes above or missed investigative. | 8/2 |
| 7 | Full Credit Fix | +3 | Fix made on investigative flight or synoptic track. Detailed eye/center message received. | 46 |
| 8 | Full Credit Investigative | +3 | Investigative flight about a point; no fix made. | 122 |
| 9 | No Credit Fix | 0 | Preliminary or intermediate fix not levied. | 60 |

NOTE: All levied fixes and investigatives have a potential of +3 points.

TABLE 2-4

CHAPTER 3

TECHNICAL NOTES

A. COMPARISON OF OBJECTIVE TECHNIQUES

1. GENERAL

Verification of objective forecasting techniques has been continuous since 1967 although year-to-year modifications and improvements have prevented any long period comparison of more than a few of the techniques. None of the objective forecasts used now go beyond the simple steering concept of a point vortex in a smoothed flow field with adjustments based on past movement. Development and its important relationship to movement are excluded in all objective forecasts.

TYFOON, a new statistical analog technique for Western Pacific typhoons (Jarrell and Somervell, 1970) that closely resembles HURRAN, its Atlantic counterpart (Hope, et al 1970), was first tested during the 1970 season. While designed as a forecast aid, verification is presented here along with the other objective techniques. This technique provided for the first time verifiable objective 72 hour forecasts.

2. DISCUSSION OF OBJECTIVE TECHNIQUES

a. EXTRAPOLATION - Past 24 hour movement is extrapolated to 24 and 48 hours.

b. ARAKAWA (1963) - Grid overlay values of surface pressure are entered into regression equations and hand-computed for storms 50 kts or greater.

c. HATTRACK 700 mb, 500 mb (Hardie, 1967) - Point vortex advected on the 700 mb and 500 mb analysis or prognostic SR (space mean) field in six-hour time steps up to forecast period of 66 hours (without bias correction).

d. RENARD 700 mb/500 mb PROG (FWC/JTWC, 1968) - Combination of HATTRACK 700 mb longitude and HATTRACK 500 mb latitude.

e. TYRACK - Tropical cyclone movement forecast on FWC Pearl tropical fields (Hubert, 1968) with capability for subjective program control.

f. WEIGHTED CLIMO (Jarrell and Somervell, 1970) - Program outputs forecast positions as the centers of probability ellipses out to 72 hours based on a group of analog storms which occurred within a time/space envelope centered about the date and position of the storm being forecast. Ellipses are based on the analog population weighted according to similarity to the existing storm.

g. FIRST ANALOG - Forecast positions out to 96 hours based on the track of the most similar analog storm.

3. TESTING AND RESULTS

Verification results for 24, 48, and 72 hour forecasts appear in Table 3-1 with the techniques listed in order of accuracy based on homogeneous comparisons.

OBJECTIVE TECHNIQUE COMPARISON

| 24 HOUR | | 48 HOUR | | 72 HOUR |
|-----------------|-------|-----------------|-------|----------------------|
| EXTRAPOLATION | (121) | WEIGHTED CLIMO | (216) | WEIGHTED CLIMO (310) |
| WEIGHTED CLIMO | (108) | EXTRAPOLATION | (273) | ANALOG (384) |
| ARAKAWA | (142) | ARAKAWA | (246) | |
| TYRACK (BETA=2) | (143) | TYRACK (BETA=2) | (297) | |
| ANALOG | (127) | ANALOG | (263) | |
| TYRACK (BETA=5) | (151) | TYRACK (BETA=5) | (330) | |
| RENARD | (173) | RENARD | (370) | |
| HATTRACK 700 | (181) | HATTRACK 700 | (382) | |
| HATTRACK 500 | (193) | HATTRACK 500 | (380) | |

TABLE 3-1

The number shown after each technique is the average error for all forecasts by that method. The complete set of homogeneous comparisons in Table 3-2 contains the data used for ranking the techniques. Individual errors greater than 500 N.M. for 24 hours and 1000 N.M. for 48 hours were discarded based on assumption that recording or processing errors were involved.

Comments on the performance of the objective technique for the 1970 season follow:

a. In no case, homogeneous or non-homogeneous, did the mean for any of the techniques better the official JTWC forecast mean.

b. EXTRAPOLATION continues to be superior for short range (24 hour) accuracy although only by a slight margin over WEIGHTED CLIMO. For the 48 and 72 hour forecasts, however, WEIGHTED CLIMO performed best. The substantial improvement in the longer range JTWC official forecast has been for a large part attributed to the reliable guidance of this new technique, which itself provided forecasts superior to all pre-1970 48 and 72 hour mean JTWC forecasts.

It should be remarked that the use of the analog forecast is limited to those cases with adequate historical sample sizes, thereby reducing its availability for some of the more difficult forecast situations. This shortcoming is partially reflected by the relatively low number of WEIGHTED CLIMO forecasts.

OBJECTIVE TECHNIQUES VERIFICATION

| | | |
|------|-----|-----|
| JTWC | 413 | 104 |
| | 104 | 0 |

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| XTRP | 316 | 103 | 318 | 121 |
| | 121 | 19 | 121 | 0 |

| | | | | | | |
|------|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ARKW | 171 | 98 | 158 | 123 | 172 | 142 |
| | 141 | 44 | 146 | 23 | 142 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| HT7P | 223 | 103 | 191 | 119 | 114 | 134 | 224 | 181 |
| | 181 | 78 | 182 | 63 | 186 | 53 | 181 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| TYB2 | 227 | 102 | 197 | 118 | 106 | 136 | 169 | 177 | 228 | 143 |
| | 142 | 40 | 142 | 24 | 143 | 7 | 144 | -33 | 143 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| HT5P | 220 | 102 | 189 | 117 | 113 | 133 | 214 | 175 | 164 | 143 | 221 | 193 |
| | 192 | 90 | 192 | 75 | 191 | 58 | 188 | 13 | 194 | 51 | 193 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| RD57 | 219 | 103 | 188 | 119 | 109 | 134 | 218 | 177 | 165 | 143 | 215 | 190 | 220 | 173 |
| | 172 | 69 | 170 | 51 | 162 | 28 | 170 | -7 | 173 | 31 | 170 | -20 | 173 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| TYB5 | 257 | 102 | 223 | 117 | 134 | 132 | 192 | 188 | 206 | 138 | 187 | 196 | 188 | 180 | 258 | 151 |
| | 151 | 49 | 149 | 32 | 141 | 9 | 150 | -38 | 149 | 11 | 150 | -47 | 149 | -31 | 151 | 0 |

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|------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CLIW | 80 | 91 | 65 | 100 | 44 | 105 | 48 | 171 | 60 | 127 | 49 | 189 | 47 | 172 | 58 | 139 | 80 | 108 |
| | 108 | 17 | 102 | 2 | 99 | -6 | 111 | -60 | 111 | -16 | 109 | -80 | 109 | -63 | 106 | -33 | 108 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| ANAL | 79 | 89 | 64 | 100 | 43 | 106 | 47 | 172 | 59 | 127 | 48 | 190 | 47 | 172 | 57 | 136 | 79 | 107 | 79 | 127 | 0 |
| | 127 | 38 | 132 | 32 | 135 | 29 | 129 | -43 | 136 | 9 | 123 | -67 | 129 | -43 | 130 | -6 | 127 | 20 | 127 | 0 | |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| JTWC | XTRP | ARKW | HT7P | TYB2 | HT5P | RD57 | TYB5 | CLIW | ANAL |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

24-HOUR

| | | |
|------|-----|-----|
| JTWC | 258 | 193 |
| | 193 | 0 |

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| XTRP | 185 | 184 | 196 | 273 |
| | 254 | 70 | 273 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ARKW | 105 | 175 | 92 | 251 | 1 | 105 | 246 |
| | 246 | 71 | 252 | 1 | 246 | 0 | |

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|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| HT7P | 132 | 185 | 119 | 264 | 61 | 254 | 141 | 382 |
| | 388 | 203 | 388 | 124 | 390 | 136 | 382 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| TYB2 | 150 | 175 | 133 | 237 | 68 | 255 | 114 | 378 | 158 | 297 |
| | 290 | 115 | 300 | 63 | 266 | 11 | 318 | -60 | 297 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| HT5P | 127 | 185 | 113 | 262 | 64 | 247 | 130 | 358 | 109 | 307 | 136 | 380 |
| | 387 | 202 | 376 | 114 | 387 | 140 | 376 | 17 | 381 | 74 | 380 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| RD57 | 127 | 185 | 114 | 261 | 60 | 252 | 136 | 373 | 110 | 306 | 128 | 370 | 136 | 370 |
| | 377 | 193 | 370 | 109 | 382 | 130 | 370 | -3 | 374 | 68 | 350 | -20 | 370 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| TYB5 | 162 | 178 | 151 | 245 | 81 | 253 | 125 | 381 | 145 | 295 | 120 | 384 | 121 | 374 | 171 | 330 |
| | 326 | 148 | 335 | 90 | 324 | 71 | 341 | -40 | 315 | 20 | 333 | -51 | 335 | -39 | 330 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CLIW | 70 | 186 | 57 | 212 | 39 | 236 | 41 | 382 | 52 | 253 | 42 | 386 | 39 | 368 | 53 | 299 | 71 | 216 |
| | 216 | 30 | 211 | -2 | 201 | -36 | 230 | -153 | 212 | -41 | 227 | -160 | 229 | -139 | 213 | -86 | 216 | 0 |

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| ANAL | 64 | 183 | 53 | 211 | 39 | 236 | 38 | 380 | 48 | 258 | 40 | 396 | 36 | 366 | 49 | 301 | 65 | 214 | 65 | 263 | 0 |
| | 264 | 82 | 278 | 68 | 283 | 47 | 268 | -113 | 268 | 10 | 262 | -134 | 268 | -99 | 276 | -25 | 263 | 49 | 263 | 0 | |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| JTWC | XTRP | ARKW | HT7P | TYB2 | HT5P | RD57 | TYB5 | CLIW | ANAL |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|

48-HOUR

| | | |
|------|-----|-----|
| JTWC | 39 | 302 |
| | 302 | 0 |

| | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CLIW | 39 | 302 | 63 | 310 |
| | 304 | 3 | 310 | 0 |

| | | | | | | |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ANAL | 30 | 257 | 46 | 327 | 46 | 384 |
| | 364 | 108 | 384 | 57 | 384 | 0 |

| | | |
|------|------|------|
| JTWC | CLIW | ANAL |
|------|------|------|

72-HOUR

TABLE 3-2

EXTRAPOLATION errors can be considered to be a good indicator of the difficulty of a forecast and similarly be a good measure of forecast skill. Keeping this in mind, it is noteworthy that the improvement of the JTWC official forecast over EXTRAPOLATION has increased from 5 percent in 1968 to 13 percent in 1969 to 15 percent in 1970.

c. ARAKAWA ranked third in accuracy for both 24 and 48 hour forecasts.

d. Of the computer techniques, TYRACK ($\text{BETA}=2$) verified with the lowest average error. Controls for adjusting tropical cyclone movement were added to the TYRACK program in 1970, but forecaster and computer time for testing was lacking.

The only control parameter tested was BETA , a variable northerly component added to the motion, and optimum results are noted for $\text{BETA}=2$. However, only a comprehensive testing using all combinations of the control parameters will lead to more accurate and reliable TYRACK forecasts.

e. FIRST ANALOG, although not among the top techniques, often provided useful guidance since characteristics of the analog storm and surrounding environmental conditions were available for comparison.

f. RENARD 700 mb/500 mb was again superior to HATRACK 700 mb and HATRACK 500 mb. HATRACK errors for forecasts based on analysis and prognostic fields were within 2 percent of each other for the 1970 season so their results are combined in Tables 3-1 and 3-2.

4. DISCUSSION AND PLANS FOR 1971 SEASON

Rapidly-acquired confidence in the analog technique as a reliable forecast guidance for both the short and long range has assured its continued use in 1971 with major emphasis on the climatological weighted mean positions. Verification of best analog forecasts will likely be discontinued.

A modified HATRACK technique developed by Renard et al. (1970) that corrects for recent error trends in the basic HATRACK prognostic forecast will be incorporated into the set of 1971 objective aids. This modified technique permits forecasts out to 48 hours. In addition, improvement to HATRACK is hoped for in a modification by the FWC computer section for the program to run on SL prog fields rather than SR progs.

Efforts to improve the TYRACK forecasts are also planned. A worthwhile testing of the control parameters on an

operational basis is possible with the desired result of reducing the arbitrariness in assigning values to the parameters and the subsequent reduction of forecast error.

B. TYPHOON FORECASTING ERROR IMPROVEMENT

1. INTRODUCTION

Over the years a gradual improvement has been noted in mean errors for typhoon forecasts. The 1970 errors were all-time lows for WESTPAC typhoons. Since mean errors and multiples thereof are commonly used as a cushion in determining the extent of threat posed by a particular typhoon, some analysis of the present level of expected error is considered useful.

Two measures of forecast error have been tabulated and recorded. They are:

a. Vector Error: The magnitude of the vector from the forecast position to the corresponding best track position.

b. Right Angle Error: The closest distance from the forecast position to the best track. This may be considered as a measure of track forecasting skill without regard to speed or timing.

2. 1970 ERRORS:

Figure 4-1 depicts the annual mean vector errors since the 1950's. Figure 4-3 similarly depicts the annual mean right angle errors since 1965. As indicated earlier, both graphs show a gradual downward trend with the means for 1970 singularly less than corresponding means for any other year. In order to make use of this information it is necessary to ascertain the representativeness of the 1970 means as an indicator of the level of expected errors. There are two aspects of the 1970 typhoon season that cast doubt on its representativeness; first, 1970 had a record low number of typhoons and thus overtaxed neither the forecasting/analysis assets at JTWC nor the supporting reconnaissance assets, and secondly, 1970 was not characterized by difficult typhoons to forecast. There was a minimum of recurvatures and hence the rapid accelerating typhoons on a northeast track. There was an abundance of climatological rarities and loops, but this is compensated for by a large portion of relatively straight low latitude tracks.

On balance the errors of 1970 appear to be non-representative of the current capability of the Typhoon Warning Service.

3. MEASURES OF DIFFICULTY

In 1969 (FWC/JTWC, 1969) an attempt was made to gauge the difficulty of a season by normalizing mean error with mean typhoon displacement. Figure 3-1 compares the mean annual

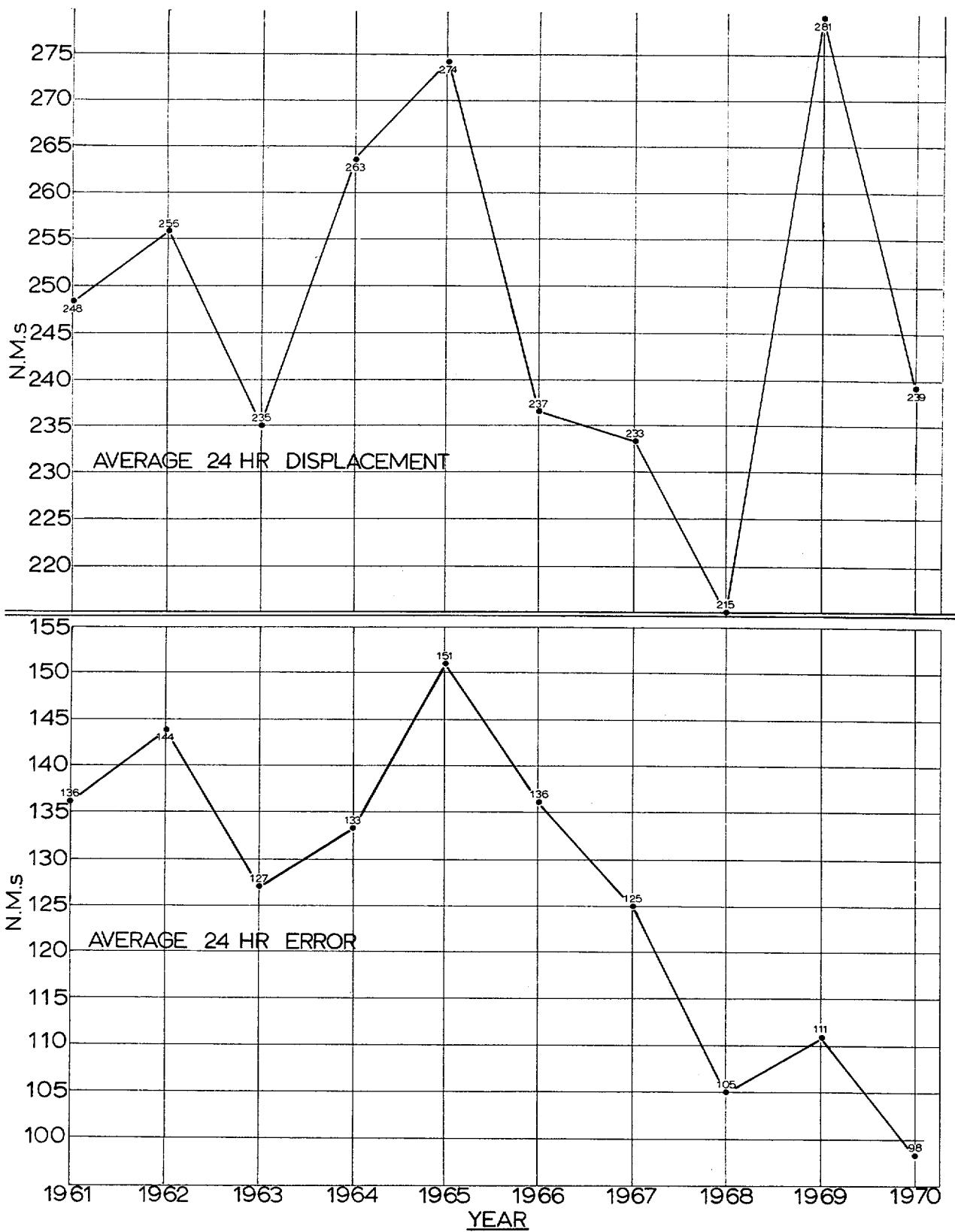


FIGURE 3-1

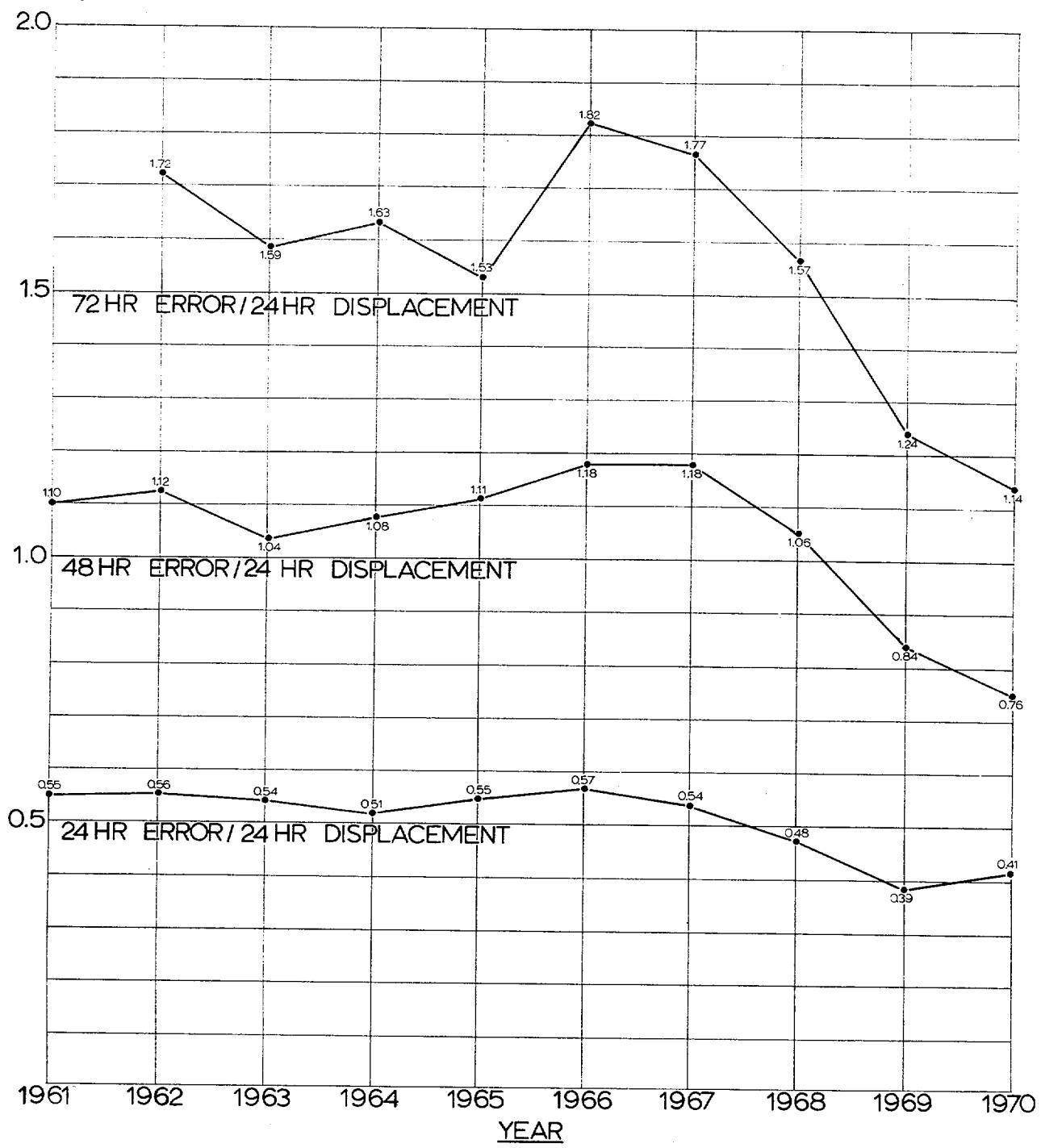


FIGURE 3-2

24 hour forecast errors to annual mean 24 hour typhoon displacement. The implication here is that as displacement per 24 hours, or speed of movement, increases so does forecast error. The validity of this implication is supported by the remarkable similarity in the two curves. Figure 3-2 presents 24, 48, and 72 hour mean errors normalized by dividing mean error by mean 24 hour displacement. This depiction reveals that little real improvement occurred until 1968 when a modest improvement was initially noted in 24 hour errors as well as the beginning of a dramatic improvement in 48 and 72 hour outlook errors.

Another method of estimating the difficulty of a year (or a forecast) is to normalize the error by the error made by any of the objective techniques.

The 1969 Annual Typhoon Report (FWC/JTWC, 1969) suggested using an objective extrapolation as the normalizing vehicle. Unfortunately a homogeneous comparison of extrapolative errors versus official errors is available only for 1968, -69, and -70, thus prohibiting a long term comparison of errors normalized in this fashion.

| | <u>1968</u> | <u>1969</u> | <u>1970</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| EXTRAPOLATION ERROR (N.M.) | 108 | 131 | 121 |
| OFFICIAL ERROR (N.M.) | 103 | 121 | 103 |
| NORMALIZED ERROR (%) | 95.2 | 92.2 | 85.1 |

4. A SUGGESTED ERROR STANDARD

It is considered that a conservative estimate of the present level of forecasting capability can be made by combining the forecast errors made over the past three years which includes the period of apparent improved capability depicted in Figure 3-2.

Figure 3-3 is a cumulative frequency distribution of composited 1968, -69, and -70 forecast errors at 24, 48, and 72 hours. From this presentation an estimate of error confidence limits or percentiles can be deduced.

Mean vector and right angle or track errors for this combined period are given in Table 3-3.

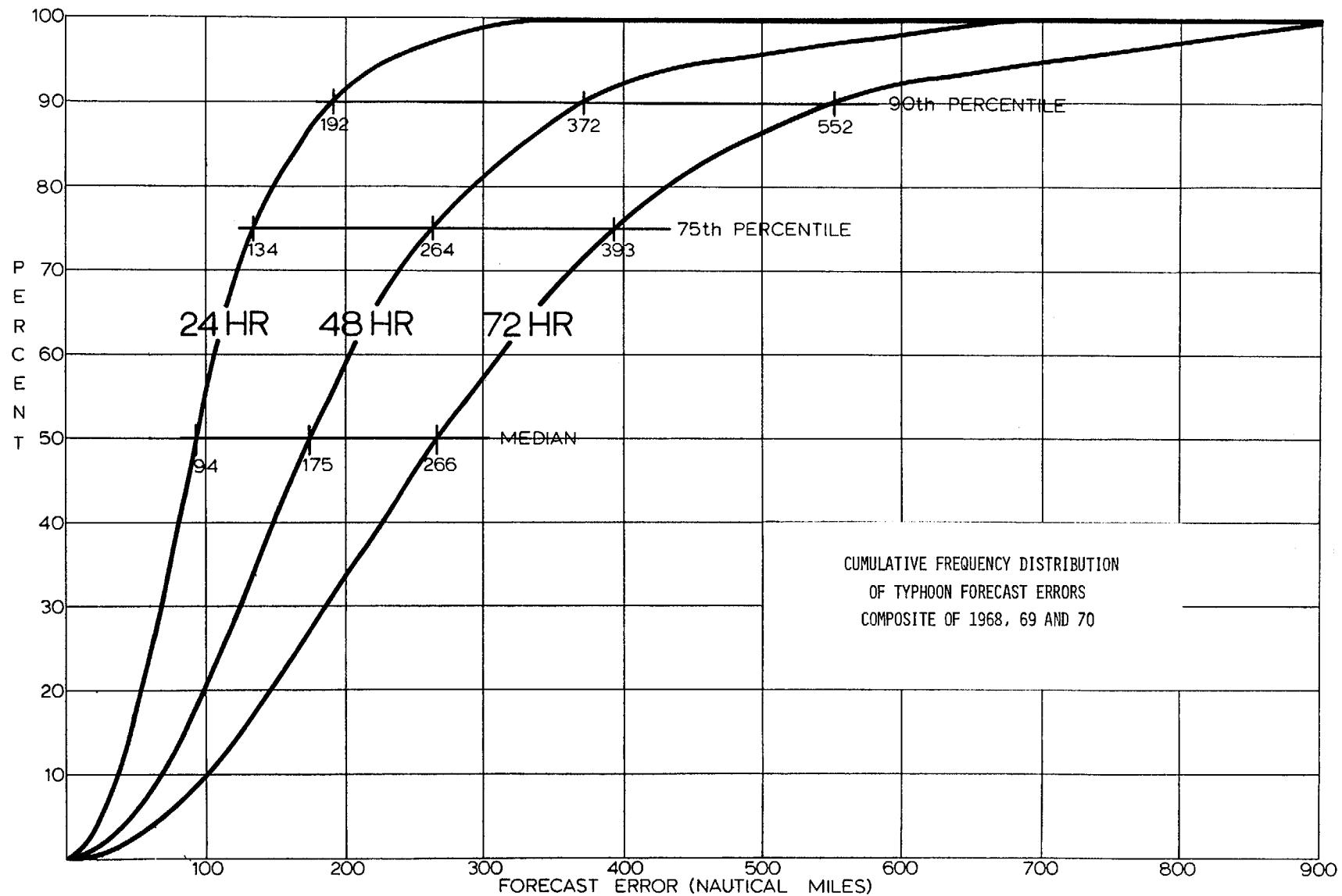


FIGURE 3-3

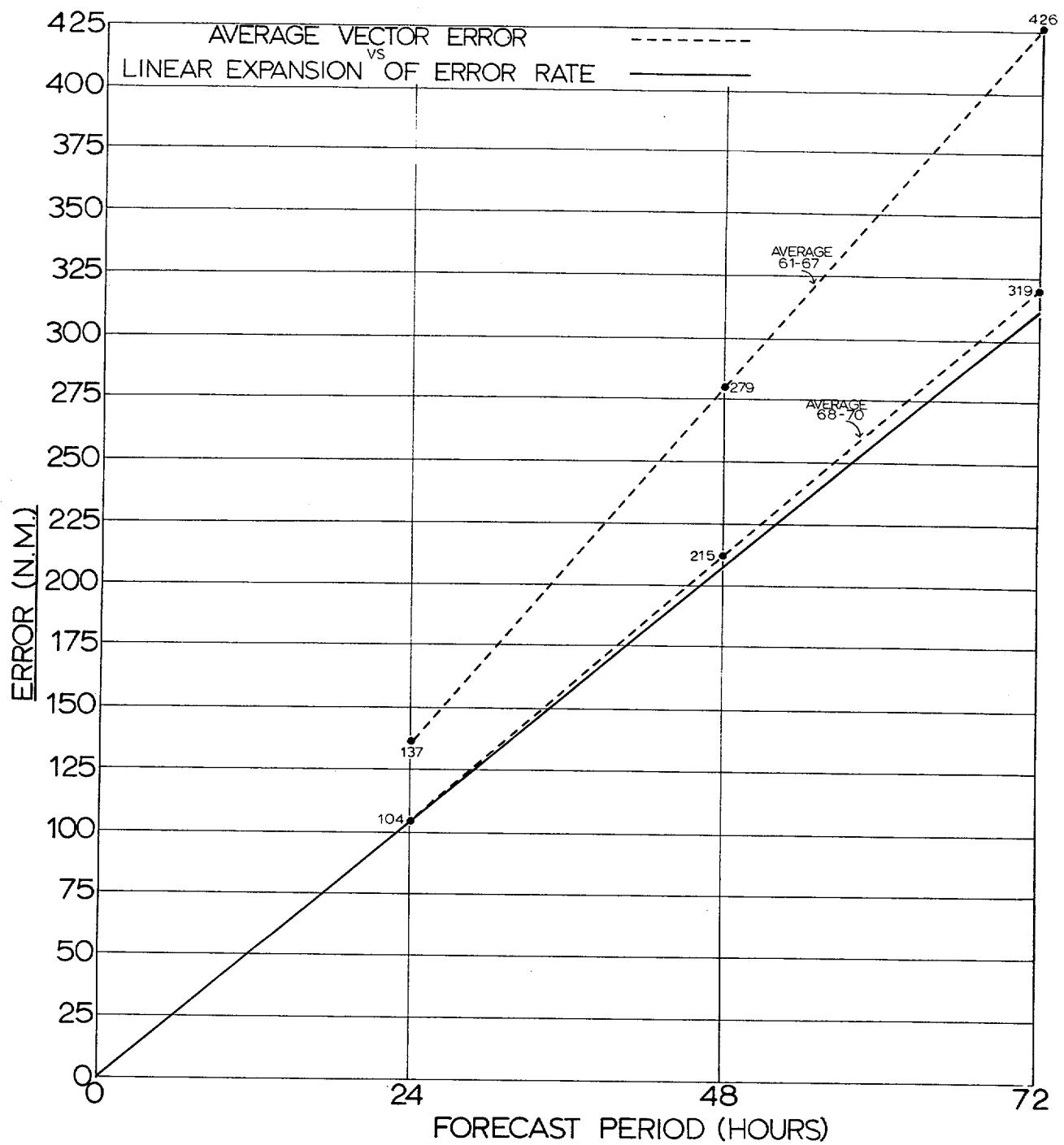


FIGURE 3-4

| | <u>MEAN Vector Error</u> | <u>MEAN Track Error</u> | |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 24 Hour | 104 N.M. | 64 N.M. | <i>60% Conf.</i> |
| 48 Hour | 215 N.M. | 131 N.M. | <i>60% Conf.</i> |
| 72 Hour | 319 N.M. | 200 N.M. | <i>60% Conf.</i> |

Composite mean errors for 1968 through 1970.

TABLE 3-3

A comparison of the means of Table 3-3 with the cumulative frequency distribution curves of Figure 3-3 indicate that the mean errors approximate the 60% confidence level. This combined period is considered to be representative of the present level of capability of typhoon forecasting.

Figure 3-4 compares the average errors for the period 1968-70 with those of 1961-67. This comparison reveals an average error reduction of about 25% or some 34 miles per 24 hour forecast interval. Figure 3-4 also illustrates the near linear expansion of forecast error with time. It is considered unlikely that a sub-linear expansion of errors can be achieved because the nature of forecast techniques tends to compound errors in the time-step process.

5. THE FUTURE

There are no dramatic schemes pending which would lead to significant reduction in forecast errors. There is some expectation that some of the larger errors can be reduced by judicious application of climatological probabilities. Simpson (1971) has indicated that Atlantic hurricane forecasts are kept within the HURRAN 50% probability ellipses. This would probably tend to reduce the large error cases. Such ellipses are output by the similar Pacific TYFOON program (Jarrell and Somervell, 1970) and this will be used in much the same way (although not likely as a hard and fast rule).

C. CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF FUJIWHARA INTERACTION

During early September 1970 tropical storms Ellen and Fran provided many anxious moments for the forecasters at JTWC and for the people on Okinawa because of their apparently strange and definitely unpredictable behavior. In fact, the forecast errors on Ellen and Fran were the highest of all the 1970 named storms. (See error statistics, Chapter 4.) After the dust had settled and their respective tracks were superimposed in post analysis it became evident that the explanation of their fickle maneuvers lies mainly in an extreme interaction between the two vortices a la Fujiwhara (1921 and 1923).

The best tracks of the two cyclones are depicted in Figure 3-5. The intersection of the tracks is southern Okinawa. Ellen passed across the island first followed by Fran some 15 hours later. Both tracks were well documented by numerous aerial reconnaissance and land radar fixes during most of their life time. Neither storm ever became very strong. Ellen hit a maximum of 45 knot sustained winds at point 5 on the best track and weakened thereafter. Fran attained 50 knot maximum sustained winds at point 4 on the best track and maintained this intensity through point 8.

To obtain the most vivid depiction of the interaction of the storm pair the steering flow was subtracted from the resultant movement in order to show the motion of the two relative to each other. The steering flow was assumed to be reflected by the track of the computed centers of rotation of the cyclone pair. A weighted center of rotation (center of mass) was located along the axis connecting the two storms at six hourly intervals using the following equation as suggested by Brand (1968):

$$d_1 = \frac{Dv_2}{v_1 + v_2}$$

where

d_1 is the distance to the center of rotation from cyclone 1

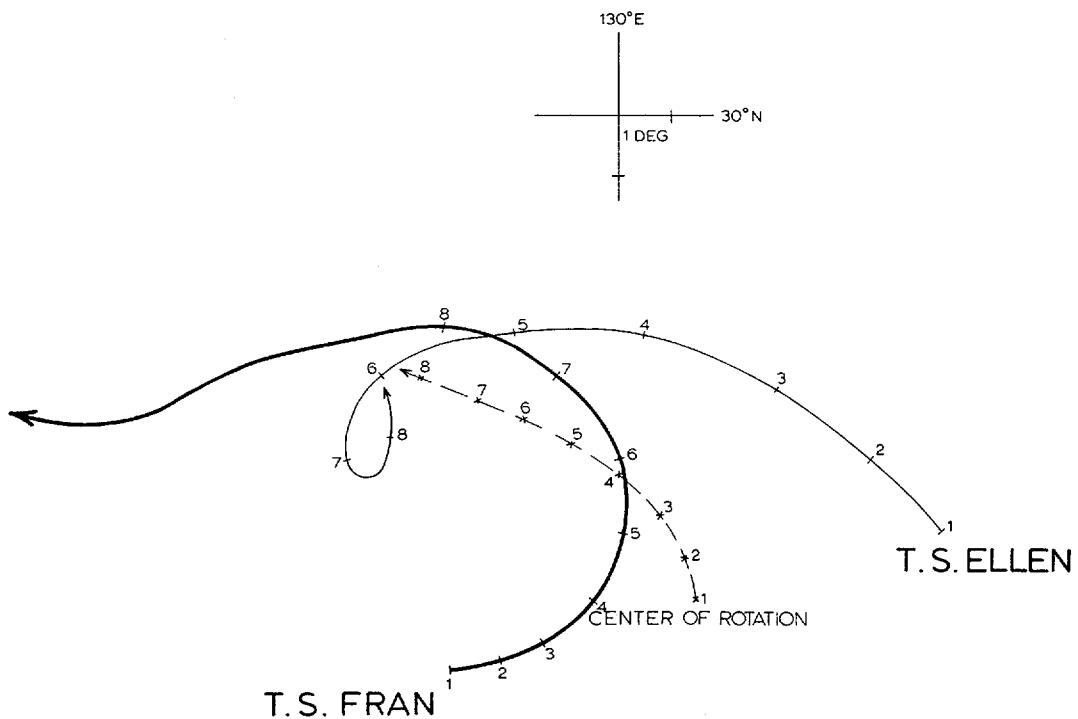
D is the total separation distance of the two cyclones

v_2 is the maximum wind speed of cyclone 2

v_1 is the maximum wind speed of cyclone 1

The resultant track of the centers of rotation is shown as the dashed line in Figure 3-5. In general the track is

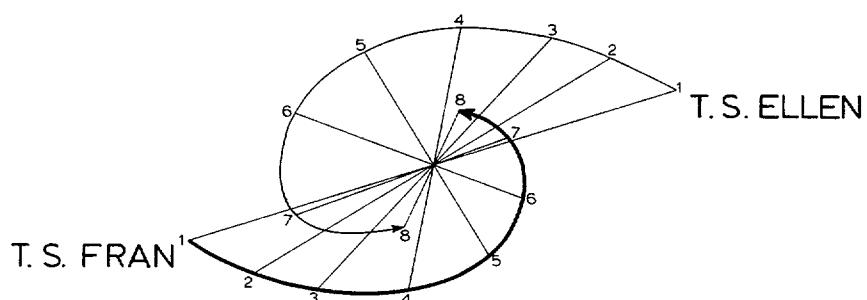
FUJIWHARA INTERACTION



POINT *1: 04/0500Z SEPT. 70

BEST TRACKS (6 HOURLY POSITS)

FIGURE 3-5



RELATIVE MOTION

FIGURE 3-6

northwesterly at 10 knots, with some cyclonic curvature. This agrees closely with observed middle level steering during this period.

After subtracting this steering flow from the resultant movement of each storm the relative motion of the cyclone pair shows the interaction quite dramatically as can be seen in Figure 3-6. Riehl (1954) made a similar plot for a 1945 typhoon pair. See his Figure 11.44 for comparison.

The interaction of Ellen and Fran was a classic example of the Fujiwhara effect. In simple terms this effect can be explained as follows: When two cyclones are close enough to interact, the relative motion of the two is manifest in cyclonically convergent paths wherein the rate of rotation increases as the distance between the two storms decreases. During the 42 hours of interaction between Ellen and Fran, depicted in Figure 3-6, the two storms cyclonically rotated 220° about each other and converged from a distance 450 N.M. apart at point 1 to 140 N.M. at point 8. In reality, the effect was observed to have progressed even further with the likely possibility that Ellen was completely absorbed near the center of Fran. The last fix on Ellen was made at 06/0130Z, two and one half hours after point 8, at which time she was about 30 N.M. from the center of Fran at a location denoting a total rotation of 280° from the beginning of their interaction.

Brand (1968) plotted the 12-hour angular changes of binary systems versus the average separation distance between them during the period for numerous cases. He found a good correlation in support of the theory. See his Figure 2. Similar changes for the Ellen-Fran pair follow:

| <u>12 Hr Interval Between Points</u> | <u>Angular Change</u> | <u>Average Separation Distance</u> |
|--|-----------------------|--|
| 1-3 | +31° | 430 N.M. |
| 3-5 | +71° | 290 N.M. |
| 5-7 | +80° | 260 N.M. |

These values plotted on the graph in his Figure 2 closely fit the regression equation computed from his data.

In retrospect, one notes a clear cut case of irony in the Ellen-Fran episode. Even though the data indicate that the Ellen and Fran interaction to be, to our knowledge, the most extensive example of the Fujiwhara effect ever documented, nevertheless it was unrecognizable during most of the period it was occurring.

D. AN EVALUATION OF AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE FIX ACCURACIES

1. INTRODUCTION:

The Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC), in the course of following tropical cyclones, is dependent on aerial reconnaissance fixes. These include penetration fixes near the surface (usually done by the Navy's VW-1) and at the 700 mb level (normally done by the USAF's 54WRS) and aircraft radar fixes taken from outside the eye. It is helpful for the typhoon duty officer to have some idea of relative fix accuracy. Since most methods of predicting typhoon motion depend on the cyclone's movement during the previous 12 hours, "In some instances an error of as little as 10-15 degrees in computed direction of vortex motion based upon the position 12 hours previous and the present location can produce variations in the predicted displacement of 75-100 miles in 24 hours and 400 miles in 72 hours," (Simpson, 1971). Diagnoses are presented that compare deviations of penetration versus radar fixes and surface versus 700 mb level penetration fixes from the post-analyses best track (BT) as a reference. A further comparison is made between deviations right and left of BT at both the 700 mb level and the surface.

2. PROCEDURES:

A total of 911 fixes were used: 235 by surface penetration, 446 by 700 mb penetration, and 230 by radar. Table 3-4 gives a summary of the data.

SUMMARY OF DATA USED

| | |
|---|-----|
| Surface fixes (1967 through T. Georgia, 1970) | 235 |
| 700 mb fixes (1967 through T. Georgia, 1970) | 446 |
| Total penetration fixes | 681 |
| Total radar fixes (1967-1969) | 230 |
| Total fixes used | 911 |

TABLE 3-4

Fix deviations from BT were measured at right angles in nautical miles. Data were taken only from the time the storm reached 64 kts or greater to the time it degenerated to less than 64 kts.

Mention should be made of possible errors that exist in the data. It should be understood that the BT is a subjectively drawn track. Best Track Officers change from year to year and a bias possibly arises as one best tracker may give more emphasis to a fix of one type/level over another. It should be expected that, by using nearly four years of data, this bias has been minimized.

Nonrepresentative comparisons might also be introduced when a storm moves erratically since the best track is heavily smoothed in these situations. Therefore, areas of extreme track curvature and loops were neglected and those fix data were not considered.

Three comparisons were made, as listed below:

(1) The magnitude of deviations from BT at the surface and at 700 mb level were compared.

(2) The magnitude of deviation from BT of all penetration and radar fixes were compared.

(3) Comparisons between deviations to the right and to the left of BT at the surface and at the 700 mb level were made.

Statistical tabulations of the data used in each study are shown in Tables 3-5 and 3-6.

DEVIATION FROM BEST TRACK

| CLASS INTERVAL (N.M.) | FREQUENCY OF FIXES | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------|-------------|
| | SURFACE | 700MB | ALL PENETRATIONS | RADAR FIXES |
| 0- 2.9 | 107 | 221 | 328 | 86 |
| 3- 6.9 | 70 | 138 | 208 | 49 |
| 7-10.9 | 24 | 38 | 62 | 35 |
| 11-14.9 | 13 | 29 | 42 | 26 |
| 15-18.9 | 12 | 10 | 22 | 9 |
| 19-22.9 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 19 |
| 23-26.9 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 3 |
| 27-30.9 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 31-34.9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| 35-38.9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 39-42.9 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 43-46.9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 55-58.9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| MEAN (N.M.) | 5.72 | 4.84 | 5.14 | 7.73 |

TABLE 3-5

DEVIATION LEFT AND RIGHT OF BEST TRACK
FREQUENCY OF FIXES

DEVIATION FROM

| BEST TRACK (N.M.) | SURFACE | | 700 MB | |
|----------------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
| | LEFT | RIGHT | LEFT | RIGHT |
| 2- 4 | 37 | 42 | 73 | 80 |
| 6- 8 | 19 | 26 | 52 | 42 |
| 10-12 | 7 | 7 | 11 | 12 |
| 14-16 | 5 | 8 | 14 | 10 |
| 18-20 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| 22-24 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| 26-28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 30-32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 34-36 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 38-40 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 42-44 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MEAN (N.M.) | 7.49 | 7.52 | 6.87 | 6.25 |

TABLE 3-6

3. RESULTS:

A summary of statistical results of the study is contained in Table 3-7.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS OF STUDY

Mean Deviation from Best Track

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Radar | 7.73 N.M. |
| Penetration | 5.14 N.M. |

Mean Deviation from Best Track

| | |
|---------|-----------|
| Surface | 5.72 N.M. |
| 700 mb | 4.84 N.M. |

Mean Right and Left Deviation from Best Track

| | | |
|---------|---------------------|-----------|
| Surface | Left of Best Track | 7.49 N.M. |
| | Right of Best Track | 7.52 N.M. |
| 700 mb | Left of Best Track | 6.87 N.M. |
| | Right of Best Track | 6.25 N.M. |

TABLE 3-7

Comparing first the accuracies of total penetrations against those fixes made by radar, it can be seen that the mean deviation of radar fixes from BT was greater than that for all penetrations (surface plus 700 mb fixes) by 2.59 N.M. The statistical significance of these results were tested using the χ^2 test. Making the assumption that the radar fixes were a sample of the population (penetrations), it was found that at the .01 and .05 levels of confidence, the radar fixes were not representative of that population.

This same approach was used in comparing the surface fixes and 700 mb fixes. The surface fixes deviated more from BT than the 700 mb fixes by 0.88 N.M. Since there was nearly twice as many upper level fixes (446 at 700 mb and 235 at the surface), the 700 mb fixes were assumed to be the population. At both levels of confidence, .01 and .05, the surface fixes were statistically unrepresentative of the assumed population.

Comparing the mean deviations right and left of BT, it can be seen that there was virtually no difference (0.03 N.M.) at the surface. The 0.03 N.M. bias was to the right of BT. At the upper level, however, there was just over a half a mile (0.62 N.M.) greater mean deviation to the left of BT.

A probability test was used in both the above comparisons. At the surface and 700 mb level, it was hypothesized that there was an equal chance that the fixes would occur on either side of BT. The results (at both the .05 and .01 levels of confidence) indicated that this could be true--that there may have been an even probability that a fix could occur on either side of BT at either level, and the difference in means occurred by chance.

4. CONCLUSIONS:

If one regarded the plotted BT as representative of the mean path of the storm, then it appears that the radar fixes show a greater deviation than aircraft penetrations.

Figure 3-7 was constructed to show the cumulative percentage of fixes for penetrations and radar fixes as a function of deviation from BT. For instance, fifty percent of the penetrations are within ± 3 N.M. of BT as compared to ± 5 N.M. of BT for radar fixes. The greater deviation of an aircraft radar fix is not surprising as ranging and azimuth errors within the radar coupled with beam width distortion of the target must also be combined with possible navigation error of aircraft position (see Jordan, 1963 and Holliday, 1966). In updating typhoon position, the forecaster should note these accuracy statistics for considering possible biases in past motion that could affect his projected track. Results of this study also show that surface fixes

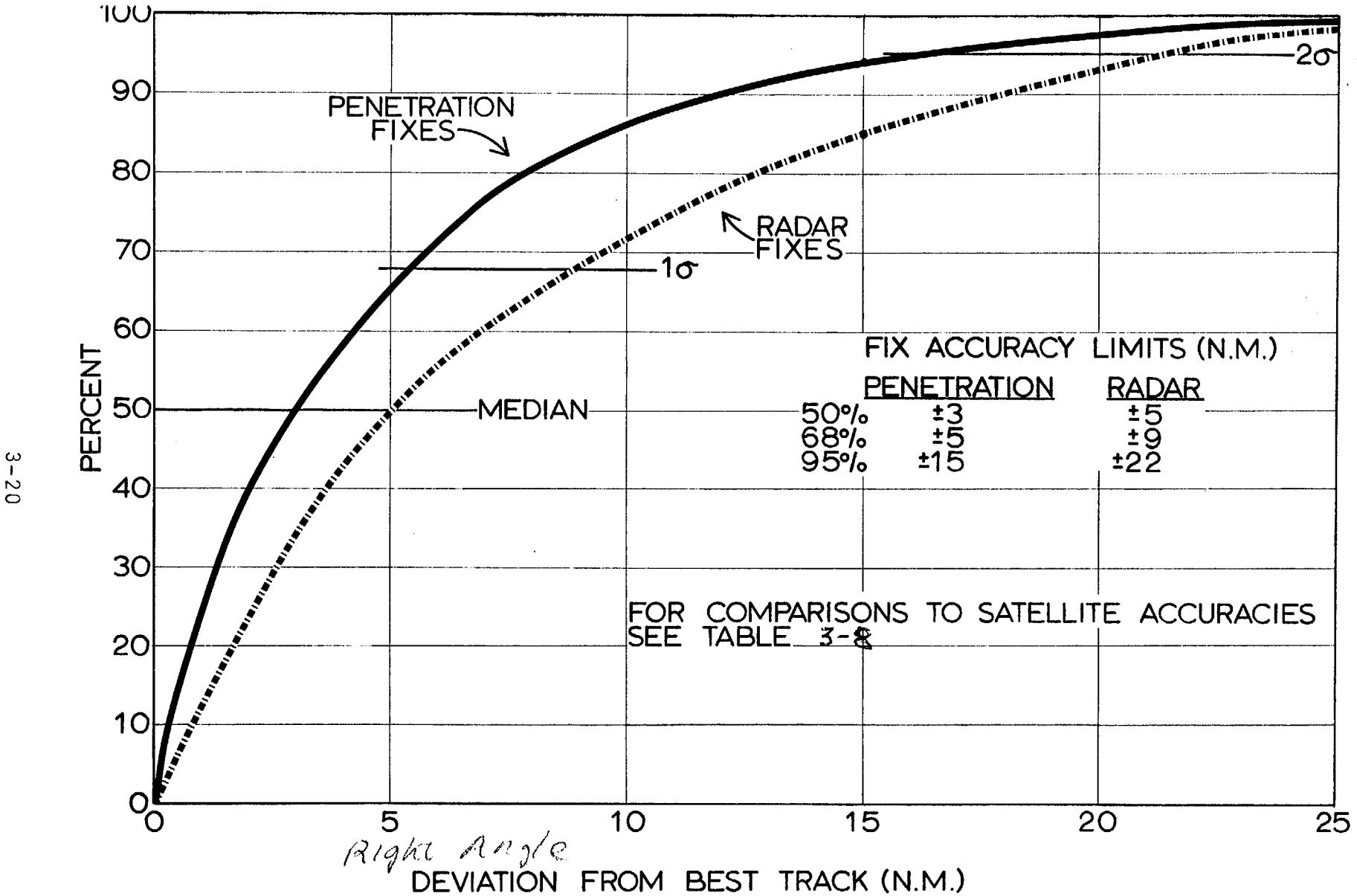


FIGURE 3-7

deviate more than the upper level (700 mb) fixes. These measured deviations from the mean path (BT) could possibly be a function of fix accuracy (navigation), discontinuity of parameters measured to determine fix location, and physical abnormalities such as transitory changes to storm structure and internal oscillatory motions. Since the data indicate the lower position of the storm shows more deviation than the middle level, it is quite possible either one or more of these influences decrease with altitude. More data need to be gathered in this area; unfortunately, no multi-aircraft penetrations are available in Pacific typhoons.

Attempting to summarize the data relative to right and left deviation is difficult. If the deviations are considered significant, there appears to be a slope within the lower portion of the typhoon (surface to 700 mb). This may be an influence of cases in the population which are near a more baroclinic environment or have been influenced by terrain such as passage of the Philippine Islands where the vertical profile is disrupted. This is not to imply there is a slope in the wall cloud but a difference in location of centers (i.e. cloud, wind and pressure centers) within the eye. If this slope does exist, it appears that it is from right to left with height relative to its direction of movement.

Three points in summary are noted: (1) radar fixes show a greater deviation than penetration fixes; (2) surface fixes appear to deviate more than 700 mb fixes, however, data are inconclusive; and (3) there is a suggestion of a vertical slope to the typhoon center, if only transitory, toward the left relative to the storm's movement.

E. MISCELLANEOUS SATELLITE BULLETIN (MSB) DATA

The Analysis Branch of NESS at Suitland, Maryland reviews daily Advanced Vidicon Camera System (AVCS) pictures for surveillance of tropical disturbances. (Pictures are stored with readout at a Command Data Acquisition Station then microwaved to NESS.) Upon detection, a bulletin is issued based on a description system of stages and categories of development. A total of 150 MSB's on tropical systems was issued for the Central and Western Pacific during 1970 as depicted in ESSA-9 and later ITOS-1 satellite pictures.

Verification of the position and intensity indicated by the MSB's was made on named storms in WESTPAC based on best tracks prepared at JTWC. Data were stratified by stage (Dvorak, 1968) and further classified into category intervals for intensity verification (Hubert and Timchalk, 1969).

Verification summation data are presented in Table 3-8.

MSB VERIFICATION VS. JTWC BEST TRACK

POSITION (all tropical storm tracks)

RIGHT ANGLE ERROR (N.M.)

| Stage | B | C | C+ | X |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Cases | 27 | 15 | 10 | 80 |
| Mean | 33 | 25 | 23 | 24 |
| Standard Deviation | 35 | 23 | 21 | 20 |

VECTOR ERROR (N.M.)

| Stage | B | C | C+ | X |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Cases | 27 | 15 | 10 | 80 |
| Mean | 66 | 52 | 71 | 39 |
| Standard Deviation | 60 | 30 | 63 | 25 |

INTENSITY ERRORS (KTS) (typhoon tracks)

| Stage | ALL | | | | CATEGORY X | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|
| | B | C | C+ | X | 2 | 2.5 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 4 |
| Cases | 5 | 4 | 4 | 75 | 20 | 7 | 21 | 7 | 20 |
| Algebraic Mean | -11 | -14 | -11 | -8 | -1 | -7 | -13 | -14 | -7 |
| Absolute Mean | 11 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 12 | 20 | 16 | 23 | 11 |
| Standard Deviation | 11 | 10 | 16 | 17 | 14 | 25 | 14 | 24 | 13 |

TABLE 3-8

F. NOTE ON OPTIMUM ALTITUDE FOR RECON OF TROPICAL DISTURBANCES

The utilization of APT from meteorological satellites over the past five years at FWC/JTWC Guam has been a significant tool in monitoring the vast data-void areas of the West Pacific for initial detection of tropical cyclones. The daily satellite view affords early surveillance of convective systems which may eventually act as a potential storm embryo.

The indication of a development tendency in the cloud pattern from the satellite picture has allowed early aircraft investigation of the suspect area often before the disturbance has reached the depression category. At this early stage, the perturbation is usually weakly defined in both surface wind and pressure fields since much of the relative vorticity is expressed in terms of cyclonic horizontal shear while the pressure gradient is relatively weak except in the disturbance's northern periphery. Due to the lack of identifiable pattern at this stage, the standard low level investigative (500-1500 ft.) often encounters difficulty describing significant features in the wind and pressure fields that can mark the system as an entity.

The task which faces the typhoon forecaster is to identify and determine a synoptic feature which may tab or tag the state of development of these suspect tropical disturbances and use this to monitor its continuity for signs of further intensification. It would therefore be advantageous that the most descriptive information on the system be provided by the investigating aircraft.

A study prepared by Williams (1970) conducted on the occurrence of cloud clusters in the West Pacific (October 1966-October 1968) showed a distinguishing feature in vertical profiles of relative vorticity at cluster centers between the pre-storm and non-developing types (Figure 3-8). A distinct maximum of relative vorticity was shown for the pre-storm cluster occurring at the 700-500 mb interval.

Since vorticity is expressed mostly in terms of curvature in this layer of the trades (due to the decrease in strength of the basic flow with height; see LaSeur, 1966) it would be likely from the peak of relative vorticity noted by Williams that a marked curvature would be present and also a tendency for a circulation to first form in this layer. The classic model set forth by Riehl (1954) of the wave in the easterlies shows a distinct curvature appearing between the 850-500 mb layer with the existence of a closed vortex at 15,000 feet. Evidence that the maximum amplitude of Atlantic wave disturbances occurs between 5000-15000 feet has also been well documented by Frank (1969).

VERTICAL PROFILES OF 4°-SQUARE AREA

AVERAGE RELATIVE VORTICITY AT CLUSTER CENTERS

(From Atmospheric Science Paper No. 161,
Colorado State University, Williams, 1970)

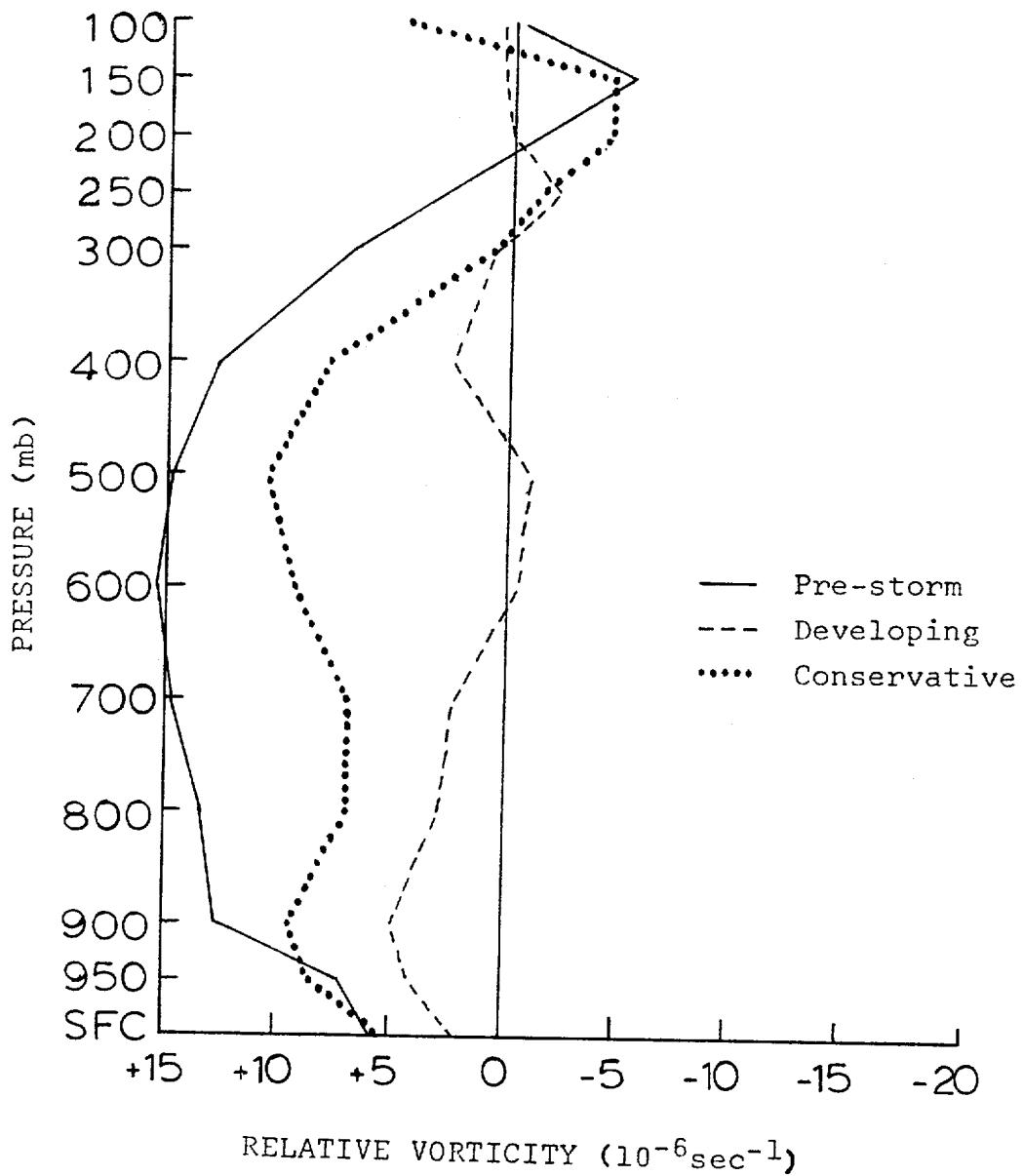


FIGURE 3-8

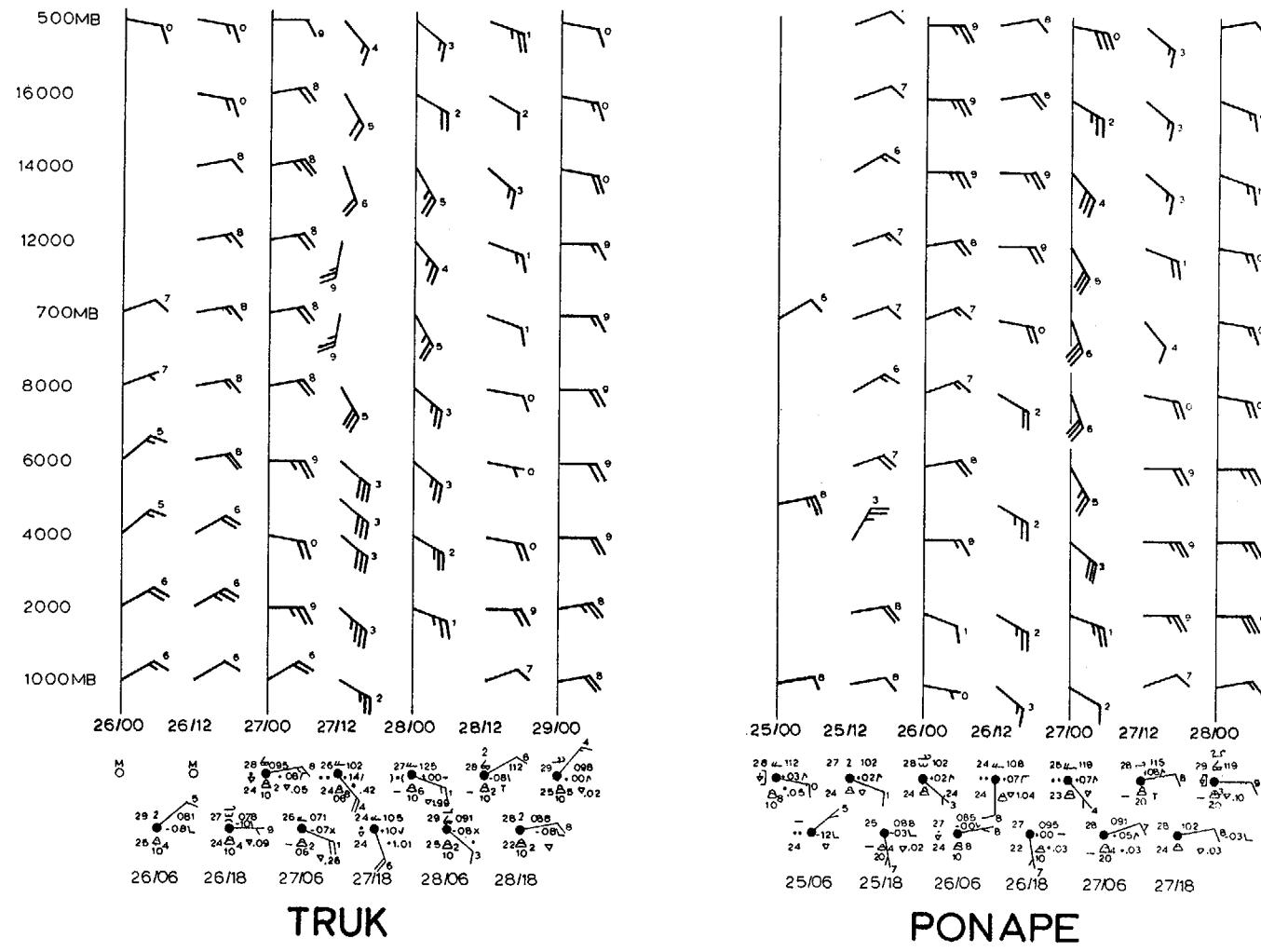
An example for illustration in the West Pacific would be the pre-storm disturbance passing through the Central Caroline Islands during late June 1970. Its early track placed it within the rawinsonde network of the Trust Territories giving an early view of its wind distribution in the vertical. The disturbance initially appeared as a cloud cluster system in the Marshalls on the 24th, tracked westward at 15 kts and moved into the Central Carolines on the 26th with satellite views depicting an extensive increase in convective activity by this time.

The time cross section for Ponape Island's rawin indicated a strong cyclonic shift from 6000-14000 feet between the period 26/00Z and 27/00Z with passage of the perturbation (Figure 3-9). Later Truk (360 N.M. east of Ponape) showed an increase in amplitude of the system as a sharp shift at 10-12,000 feet to a westerly component was detected in its rawin. Although it was evident that a vortex had developed in the lower troposphere, surface data in the vicinity indicated only a weak reflection in the wind field and pressure across the area ranged from 1008 to 1010 mb. Satellite DRIR view by this time (Figure 3-10) showed an organized character to the disturbance cloudiness at least of a stage B classification (Dvorak, 1968).

The suspect area was investigated the following morning (28th) by a recon aircraft at low levels (1,500 ft.) southeast of Guam near Satawal Atoll. Circulation at the surface could not be detected after extensive search of the area. However, the presence of a vortex at 700 mb was indicated as the aircraft passed through the disturbance and encountered a wind shift at this altitude before returning to Guam. With exception of a band of strong easterlies in the system's northern region, the pre-storm system remained weakly reflected in the surface wind field while a flat pressure gradient existed in the general area with values ranging from 1005 to 1007 mb (Figure 3-11). The cloud pattern depicted by the afternoon satellite view revealed a continued organized pattern appearing close to a stage C classification (Figure 3-12).

The disturbance passed south of Guam that evening with a follow up aircraft locating Tropical Storm Olga the following morning (29th) north of Ulithi Island with a definite surface circulation, a forming wall cloud, and a 993 mb central pressure.

A complete recon investigation at the 700 mb level the previous day probably would have enabled the detection of a clear-cut perturbation in the wind field providing a more meaningful description of the potential storm embryo than could have been determined from the low level investigation.



TIME CROSS SECTIONS OF RAWIN PROFILES
FOR TRUK AND PONAPE ISLANDS DURING
PASSAGE OF THE PRE-OLGA DISTURBANCE
LATE JUNE 1970

FIGURE 3-9



NIMBUS III DIRECT READOUT INFRA-RED (DIRR)
27 JUNE 1970 1247GMT

(Dot in Cloud Mass is Approximate Location
of Truk Island.)

FIGURE 3-10

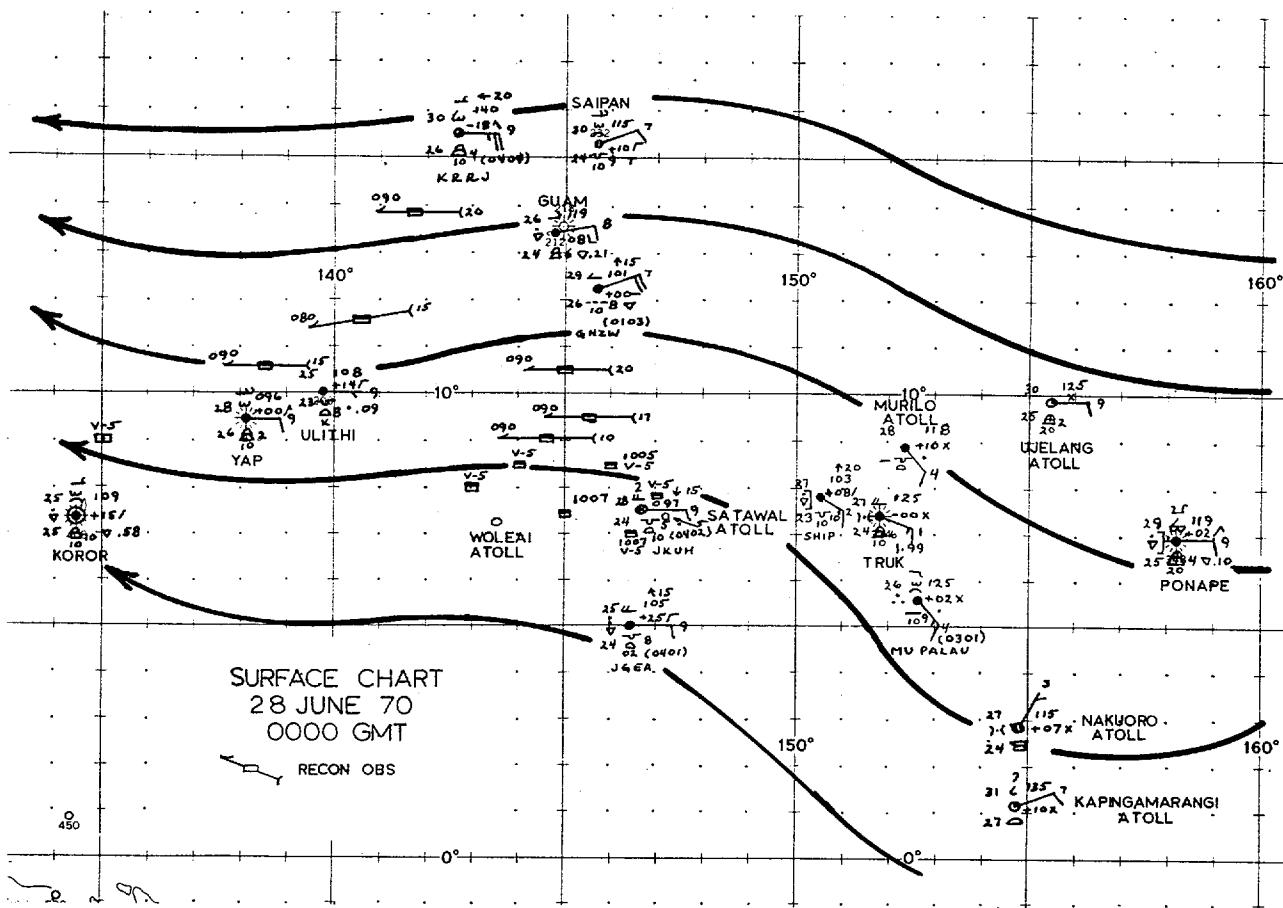
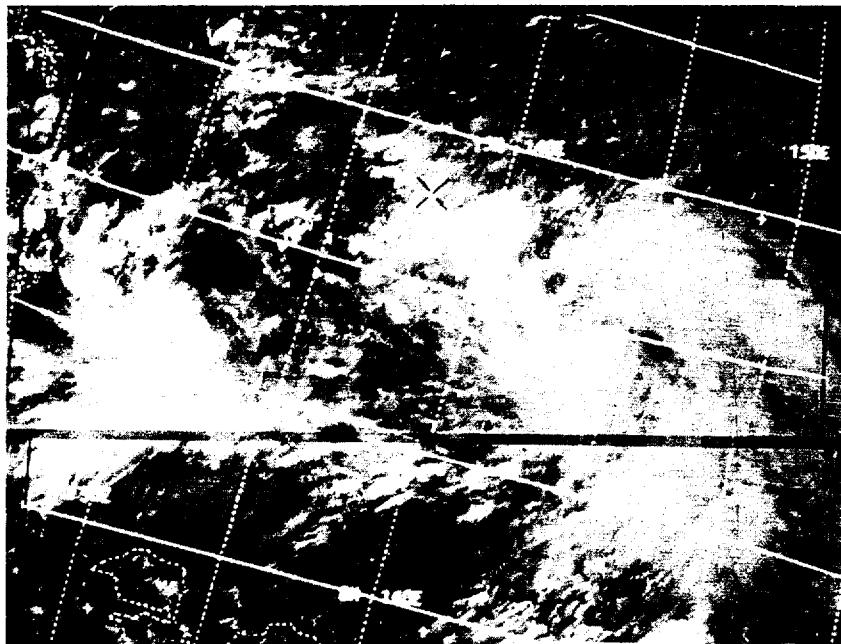


FIGURE 3-11



ITOS-1 VIEW OF
 PRE-OLGA DISTURBANCE
 28 JUNE 1970 0528GMT

FIGURE 3-12

The significance of an intermediate level investigation then is to label a conservative synoptic feature that could be tied to these suspect systems. Thus the forecaster may have some way to best evaluate the disturbance and determine to what state the development process has progressed.

It should be pointed out that the assumption that all significant disturbed weather over tropical oceans can be tied to moving perturbation of the wind field is not valid (see Zipser, 1971 and Simpson et al, 1967). The object of this note is to place emphasis on disturbances suspect of further development and how to best mark the system as an entity by aircraft recon.

The optimum compromise level for recon investigation in the early stages would appear to be the standard 700 mb level.* Several flights were conducted at the 700 mb level during the 1970 season with encouraging results. It is hoped more data will become available during the 1971 season for further evaluation.

*Obviously the low levels must eventually be investigated to provide definite evidence of the birth of a tropical cyclone.

G. TROPICAL CYCLONE INTENSITY VERIFICATION

1. INTRODUCTION:

Intensity forecasting is recognized as one of the more difficult typhoon forecasting problems, yet the literature on the subject is relatively sparse. This is probably due to the overwhelming role played by the prog track which must be good before an intensity forecast is meaningful (regardless of its accuracy) in adapting the typhoon warning to the local forecast. Since track forecasts have gradually improved over the years, the emphasis on intensity has increased.

Prior to 1969 there was no attempt at JTWC to verify forecasts of intensity. The 1969 verification consisted of a comparison of mean intensity errors and the bias in intensity forecasts at various time intervals. This is useful and will be continued for comparison, but it gives equal weight to a given error on a super typhoon and the same error on a minimal tropical storm. In the former case a 20 knot error is of little significance whereas in the latter it would be very important. It is felt that this deficiency can be overcome by describing errors as a fraction of the observed wind; this type verification is presented later.

2. INTENSITY FORECASTING AND VERIFICATION:

As pointed out in Chapter 1 the basic intensity forecasting technique is a linear extrapolation of past rate of intensification subjectively modified by expected conditions along the predicted track (FWC/JTWC, 1969). Thus there are two independent phases of the forecast, the first requires the determination of the current and recent past intensity and the second involves a synoptic evaluation along a predicted track. The errors incurred in the latter are reasonably random; they are caused by track errors, deficiencies in forecasting the environment along the track and lack of adequate methods to relate the predicted environment quantitatively to intensity changes. Progress in improving this aspect of the problem has been slow although some relationships are known. Synoptic conditions for maximum intensity of tropical cyclones were discussed by Miller (1957). The geographical location of the principal feeder band of the storm as determined by radar and satellite is weighted by the NHC, Miami (Simpson, 1971) in assessing development; this has been enhanced by the acquisition of near real time film loops from the ATS III geostationary satellite. These, of course, are not available for WESTPAC. The Navy Weather Research Facility (1970) has developed rules for evaluating the reintensification potential of tropical cyclones which have crossed the Republic of the Philippines and entered the South China Sea.

The problems in linear extrapolation of intensity as a first guess are obvious and relate to difficulty in ascertaining the instantaneous intensity of the storm at two or more recent points along the track. Reconnaissance estimates cloud the issue (Jordan and Fortner 1960 and 1961) since there is a bias introduced by the fact that penetration is necessarily made in the weakest quadrant, also areas of strongest winds are often obscured by clouds and heavy precipitation. To overcome these problems, a wind/pressure relationship is commonly used and the extrapolation is made on minimum pressures rather than maximum winds. Clearly, if one of two estimates of intensity is in error, the rate of intensification will be deduced incorrectly and the forecast intensities will suffer in like manner, but this type error should be random. When both estimates are off by about the same amount in the same direction, the forecasts may be expected to be in error by nearly a constant. This type error might be expected from an inadequate pressure-wind relationship, and a part of the bias evident in 1969-1970 verification can be attributed to this problem. The 1968 Annual Typhoon Report introduced a wind-pressure relationship which was a modification of a similar relationship presented in 1963 by JTWC. During the past two years confidence in that relationship gradually lessened until in mid-1970, it was virtually abandoned altogether. As a result the typhoons of the first half of 1970 were forecast using one relationship and verified against a post-analysis based on a combination of other relationships, mainly the Takahashi equation (1939). As a result, the mean errors for both halves of the year are about the same but the bias diminished significantly in the latter half. (See Table 3-10.) The bias for both halves of 1970 as well as 1969 was consistently on the low side (under forecasts), that part not explained by the inadequate pressure-wind relationship is largely attributed to the inability of forecasters to anticipate periods of maximum deepening. These surges of deepening are typically of short duration, 12 to 36 hours, and are usually followed by a plateau, so that maximum underforecasting bias (in terms of knots of error per forecast hour) occurs near 24 hours since extrapolation tends to hit the plateau at longer periods.

Table 3-9 compares intensity forecasts of 1970 to 1969.

| | ABSOLUTE MEAN ERROR (KTS) | | | | | ALGEBRAIC MEAN ERROR (KTS) | | | | |
|------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | <u>WARNING</u> | <u>12HR</u> | <u>24HR</u> | <u>48HR</u> | <u>72HR</u> | <u>WARNING</u> | <u>12HR</u> | <u>24HR</u> | <u>48HR</u> | <u>72HR</u> |
| 1969 | 4.9 | 9.0 | 13.7 | 22.9 | 30.2 | -1.9 | -1.4 | -4.2 | -6.8 | -13.3 |
| 1970 | 6.6 | 12.1 | 16.7 | 21.2 | 21.7 | -3.3 | -5.3 | -8.6 | -8.9 | -11.0 |

TABLE 3-9

Notice the apparent degradation in 1970 when a different standard was used for verification than was used for forecasting as opposed to 1969 when the same standard was used throughout.

Table 3-10 compares the first half of 1970 to the last half. (The season is divided after Typhoon Clara which marked the point after which the 1968 relationship was abandoned.)

| | ABSOLUTE MEAN ERROR (KTS) | | | | | ALGEBRAIC MEAN ERROR (KTS) | | | | |
|---------------|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| | WARNING | 12HR | 24HR | 48HR | 72HR | WARNING | 12HR | 24HR | 48HR | 72HR |
| EARLY 1970 | 7.7 | 12.4 | 16.2 | 20.0 | 23.4 | -5.3 | -8.0 | -10.8 | -10.2 | -18.0 |
| LATE 1970 | 5.6 | 11.8 | 17.2 | 22.2 | 20.3 | -1.4 | -2.7 | -6.5 | -7.9 | -5.4 |

TABLE 3-10

While no significant difference is apparent in the absolute mean errors, the low side bias was markedly reduced.

3. A MEASURE OF ACCEPTABILITY:

As mentioned earlier an analysis of intensity errors as a fraction of observed winds was made. This concept implies that as wind speed increases, so does the acceptable error in wind forecasts. With this implication in mind, some acceptability criteria were established (from the viewpoint of adequacy for disaster control planning) as follows:

| | <u>12 Or 24 Hours</u> | <u>48 Or 72 Hours</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Accurate to within measurement error | Error < 10% | Error < 10% |
| Adequate | Error < 20% | Error < 30% |
| Useful | Error < 30% | Error < 40% |
| Inadequate | Error > 30% | Error > 40% |

Note the criteria become less stringent at longer time intervals since changing the degree of readiness is still possible.

Figure 3-13 shows the cumulative distribution of intensity forecast errors as a percent of observed wind for 24 and 48 hours. Envelopes of 10, 20, and 30% errors are shown. Based on Figure 3-13 and above criteria, the distribution of

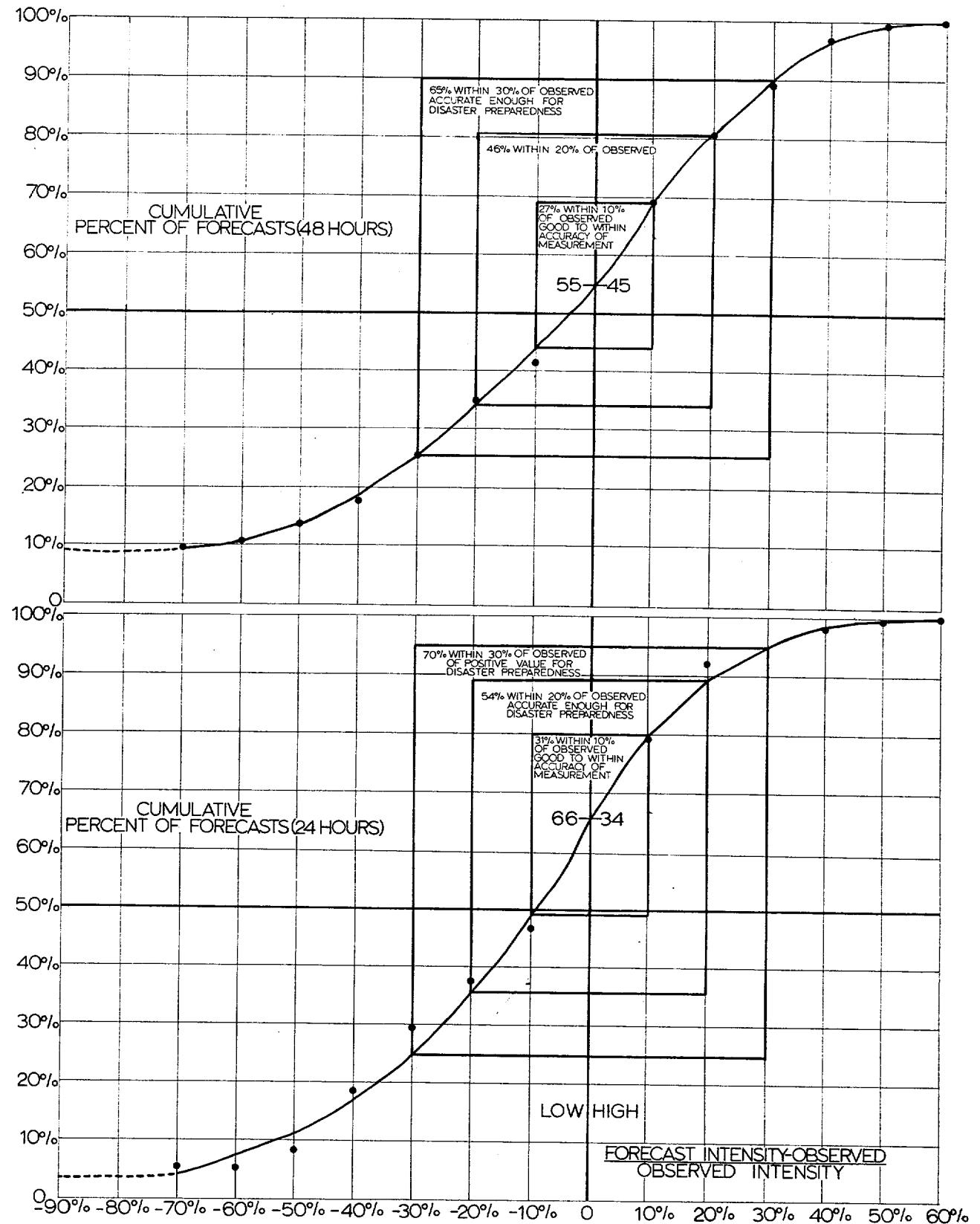


FIGURE 3-13

acceptable intensity forecasts during 1970 is as follows:

| | <u>24 Hour</u> | <u>48 Hour</u> |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Accurate to within measurement error | 31% | 27% |
| Adequate | 54% | 65% |
| Useful | 70% | 79% |
| Inadequate | 30% | 21% |

Notice from Figure 3-13 that these acceptable percentages could be significantly enhanced if the low side bias can be reduced.

4. FUTURE:

A suggestion (FWC/JTWC, 1969) to attempt to improve forecasts by studying cases of gross errors as well as climatological rate of intensification appears valid. Fung (1970) has suggested that the tropical cyclone population tends to show peak occurrence around three minimum pressure values, 970 mb, 940 mb, and 915 mb. This work and a climatology of super typhoons (FWC/JTWC, 1970) imply favored seasons and geographical locations for occurrences of tropical cyclones within these intensity categories, thus some improvement in intensity forecasting might be realized by an applied climatological approach to forecasting. Further applied climatology studies relative to tropical cyclone intensity are currently underway at Headquarters First Weather Wing, USAF in Hawaii and at the Navy Weather Research Facility in Norfolk, Virginia.

H. A CLIMATOLOGICAL STUDY OF SUPER TYPHOONS

1. INTRODUCTION:

One of the most awesome natural forces on earth is the super typhoon. The name Super Typhoon was coined to categorize the stronger and larger typhoons of the Northwestern Pacific. By definition any typhoon that attains at least 130 knots sustained surface winds during its lifetime is recorded as a super typhoon. It is not known when this classification was first conceived. The first known reference to the term was by Kinney (1955) when he used it to describe large typhoons in general. The Glossary of Meteorology (1959) makes no mention of the term. The first official use of the term by JTWC was in their 1963 Annual Typhoon Report. Nevertheless it has attained common usage both as a technical classification and by the news media as a descriptive term for the stronger typhoons. It is quite probable that the 130 knot delineation was chosen because it is the value, to the nearest 5 kts, that is twice the 64 knot intensity adopted for classification as a typhoon.

2. PROCEDURES:

The dividing line of 130 knots can be difficult to determine since the data are either lacking or those which are observed can be highly subjective, particularly at these extreme intensities. However, since the establishment of the Pacific Command Joint Typhoon Warning Service in 1959 routine aerial reconnaissance coverage of tropical cyclones in the Western Pacific has been rather thorough and subsequent documentation of these storms by the Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC) has been quite comprehensive. It is felt that the data accumulated by JTWC during the past 12 years for 231 typhoons constitute a fairly accurate base and population upon which to build a climatology of super typhoons.

The annual typhoon reports for 1959 through 1970 (FWC/JTWC, 1959-1970) were consulted. All typhoons that were best tracked at 130 knots or more were listed. Seventy-two typhoons were documented as super typhoons. The data on each of these were examined to weed out any obvious overestimations. Since observing surface winds in excess of 100 knots is highly subjective each of the storms was required to pass a minimum sea level pressure correlation test. Holliday (1969) listed most of the accepted equations in use today for correlating maximum surface winds in a tropical cyclone with the recorded minimum sea level pressure. Of the non-latitude influenced equations, Fletcher's (1955) is the most liberal wherein maximum sustained wind, in knots, $V_{max} = 16 \sqrt{1010 - P_c}$, where P_c is the minimum sea level pressure (mb). In order to give the benefit of any doubt to the storm his equation was used to test the 72 typhoons for consistency. No attempt was made to upgrade any typhoons not

SUPER TYPHOONS
(1959-1970)

| YEAR | NAME | BECAME SUPER TYPHOON | | | | LOWEST SLP DURING LIFETIME | YEAR | NAME | BECAME SUPER TYPHOON | | | | LOWEST SLP DURING LIFETIME | | | |
|------|---------|----------------------|---------|--------------|---------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------------|---------|--------------|---------|----------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | LOCATION | | DATE/TIME(Z) | LAT (N) | LONG (E) | | | LOCATION | | DATE/TIME(Z) | LAT (N) | LONG (E) | | | |
| | | DATE/TIME(Z) | LAT (N) | | | | | | DATE/TIME(Z) | LAT (N) | | | | | | |
| 1970 | OLGA | 30 JUN 2300 | 17.7 | 128.8 | 904 | 1963 | SHIRLEY | 15 JUN 1200 | 16.3 | 130.9 | 935 | | | | | |
| | ANITA | 19 AUG 1400 | 25.4 | 136.8 | 912 | | WENDY | 12 JUL 1200 | 15.9 | 139.8 | 928 | | | | | |
| | GEORGIA | 10 SEP 1100 | 15.6 | 124.3 | 904 | | BESS | 04 AUG 1200 | 20.7 | 136.8 | 930 | | | | | |
| | HOPE | 23 SEP 1800 | 20.2 | 148.0 | 895 | | GLORIA | 08 SEP 1800 | 21.1 | 128.9 | 921 | | | | | |
| | JOAN | 12 OCT 1100 | 12.2 | 126.7 | 901 | | JUDY | 02 OCT 0200 | 23.0 | 143.1 | 917 | | | | | |
| | KATE | 18 OCT 0500 | 06.0 | 126.4 | 938 | | KIT | 09 OCT 0000 | 20.9 | 132.1 | 929 | | | | | |
| | PATSY | 18 NOV 0500 | 14.4 | 127.3 | 918 | | LOLA | 17 OCT 1200 | 21.1 | 135.8 | 945 | | | | | |
| 1969 | VIOLA | 25 JUL 2300 | 17.6 | 126.3 | 897 | | SUSAN | 25 DEC 0600 | 14.9 | 143.5 | 932 | | | | | |
| | ELSIE | 22 SEP 2300 | 18.1 | 145.0 | 890 | 1962 | GEORGIA | 20 APR 0000 | 14.4 | 141.0 | 936 | | | | | |
| 1968 | MARY | 23 JUL 2300 | 20.8 | 141.1 | 924 | | OPAL | 04 AUG 2000 | 21.0 | 124.8 | 910 | | | | | |
| | WENDY | 30 AUG 1700 | 18.9 | 144.0 | 917 | | RUTH | 15 AUG 1800 | 20.2 | 145.8 | 916 | | | | | |
| | AGNES | 03 SEP 0500 | 17.6 | 141.0 | 904 | | AMY | 01 SEP 0900 | 19.0 | 132.9 | 935 | | | | | |
| | ELAINE | 26 SEP 1800 | 16.0 | 126.0 | 908 | | EMMA | 04 OCT 1200 | 20.7 | 145.8 | 903 | | | | | |
| | FAYE | 04 OCT 1700 | 18.6 | 162.1 | 911 | | KAREN | 08 NOV 1630 | 09.8 | 152.6 | 897 | | | | | |
| 1967 | OPAL | 02 SEP 1800 | 19.4 | 161.0 | 919 | 1961 | TESS | 28 MAR 0600 | 14.1 | 135.5 | 937 | | | | | |
| | CARLA | 14 OCT 0600 | 13.0 | 134.8 | 901 | | BETTY | 25 MAY 1200 | 19.1 | 122.9 | 946 | | | | | |
| | EMMA | 02 NOV 0300 | 10.5 | 131.6 | 908 | | NANCY | 08 SEP 1800 | 09.0 | 156.8 | 882 | | | | | |
| | GILDA | 13 NOV 1800 | 15.0 | 141.1 | 890 | | PAMELA | 10 SEP 2300 | 23.6 | 127.5 | 914 | | | | | |
| 1966 | KIT | 25 JUN 1400 | 17.1 | 130.8 | 912 | | TILDA | 29 SEP 1200 | 20.4 | 138.0 | 917 | | | | | |
| | ALICE | 01 SEP 1200 | 25.8 | 128.7 | 937 | | VIOLET | 06 OCT 0000 | 16.5 | 143.5 | 882 | | | | | |
| | CORA | 02 SEP 1800 | 22.3 | 131.9 | 917 | | DOT | 09 NOV 1800 | 17.8 | 149.1 | 922 | | | | | |
| 1965 | DINAH | 15 JUN 1800 | 15.3 | 129.0 | 932 | | ELLEN | 08 DEC 1200 | 13.5 | 125.9 | 945 | | | | | |
| | FREDA | 12 JUL 0300 | 14.5 | 127.8 | 922 | 1960 | SHIRLEY | 30 JUL 1500 | 22.4 | 124.0 | 908* | | | | | |
| | JEAN | 04 AUG 0300 | 25.7 | 126.8 | 940 | | OPHELIA | 30 NOV 1200 | 11.1 | 137.3 | 928 | | | | | |
| | LUCY | 17 AUG 1200 | 23.6 | 154.5 | 940 | | TILDA | 19 APR 0600 | 14.5 | 137.2 | 930* | | | | | |
| | MARY | 17 AUG 0100 | 20.9 | 129.3 | 936 | | JOAN | 28 AUG 0130 | 18.8 | 130.0 | 891 | | | | | |
| | OLIVE | 28 AUG 1800 | 21.4 | 148.1 | 936 | | SARAH | 14 SEP 0200 | 19.9 | 129.3 | 905 | | | | | |
| | SHIRLEY | 09 SEP 1800 | 31.3 | 132.9 | 936 | | VERA | 22 SEP 2200 | 18.0 | 144.2 | 896 | | | | | |
| | TRIX | 14 SEP 0000 | 22.2 | 131.1 | 930 | | CHARLOTTE | 12 OCT 1800 | 17.0 | 126.6 | 905 | | | | | |
| | BESS | 29 SEP 1200 | 18.8 | 143.6 | 901 | | DINAH | 18 OCT 1200 | 11.7 | 143.9 | 913 | | | | | |
| | CARMEN | 06 OCT 1200 | 18.0 | 146.0 | 916 | | GILDA | 16 DEC 0600 | 09.9 | 131.5 | 914 | | | | | |
| | FAYE | 23 NOV 0000 | 14.4 | 130.1 | 925 | | HARRIET | 30 DEC 0000 | 14.2 | 127.4 | 926 | | | | | |
| 1964 | HELEN | 30 JUL 0000 | 23.3 | 142.6 | 931 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | IDA | 06 AUG 0000 | 16.2 | 126.3 | 927 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | SALLY | 06 SEP 0600 | 14.8 | 138.4 | 894 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | WILDA | 20 SEP 1800 | 20.1 | 139.3 | 905 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | LOUISE | 17 NOV 0600 | 07.1 | 132.7 | 914 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | OPAL | 11 DEC 1200 | 08.3 | 135.9 | 903 | | | | | | | | | | | |

*Extrapolated from min 700 mb height

TABLE 3-11

SUPER TYPHOONS

| YEAR | J | F | M | A | M | MONTH | | A | S | O | N | D | SUPER TYPHOONS | TYPHOONS | RATIO |
|----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|----------|-------|
| | | | | | | J | J | | | | | | | | |
| 1959 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | 8 | 17 | .47 |
| 1960 | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | | | 2 | 19 | .11 |
| 1961 | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 20 | .40 |
| 1962 | | | | 1 | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 6 | 24 | .25 |
| 1963 | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | | 1 | 8 | 19 | .42 |
| 1964 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 1 | 6 | 26 | .23 |
| 1965 | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 11 | 21 | .52 |
| 1966 | | | | | | 1 | | | 2 | | | | 3 | 20 | .15 |
| 1967 | | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | 4 | 20 | .20 |
| 1968 | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | 5 | 20 | .25 |
| 1969 | | | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | 13 | .15 |
| 1970 | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | | 7 | 12 | .58 |
| TOTAL | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 11 | 20 | 12 | 8 | 5 | 70 | 231 | .30 |
| TYPHOONS | 2 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 33 | 53 | 38 | 39 | 21 | 8 | 231 | — | |
| RATIO SUPER TYPHOONS TO TYPHOONS | | | | | | .31 | .18 | .21 | .53 | .33 | .42 | .63 | .30 | | |
| RATIO SUPER TYPHOONS TO TYPHOONS | | | | | | | | .21 | | | .42 | | | | |

ANNUAL AVERAGE SUPER TYPHOONS 5.8

ANNUAL AVERAGE TYPHOONS 19.2

TABLE 3-12

best tracked as a super typhoon. Only two typhoons failed the test--Cora '64 (MSLP 967 mb) and Hope '64 (MSLP 973 mb). The complete list of the remaining 70 super typhoons is contained in Table 3-11.

3. SEASONAL DISTRIBUTION:

The month and year when each super typhoon listed attained 130 knots is tabulated in Table 3-12 along with totals by year and month. The total number of typhoons is also listed for comparison. Yearly occurrence of super typhoons range from two (1960 & 1969) to 11 (1965) with an average occurrence of 5.8 per year. The vast majority (94%) of all super typhoons occurred during the period June through December. Note the total monthly frequencies describe a rather normal distribution centered on September which recorded the maximum of 20. In comparison the typhoon data are less normally distributed with a skew toward the early part of the season around a peak of 53 in August. The maximum occurrence of super typhoons during any month was four (Aug '65). Except for 1960, September claimed at least one super typhoon formation each year.

The ratio of super typhoon occurrence to total typhoon occurrence was calculated for the super typhoon season and is shown on the bottom two lines of Table 3-12. The implied probability that a typhoon will reach super typhoon strength shows an explosive increase in September. In fact, this probability is twice as high during the period September through December than it is for the beginning of the typhoon season (June through August). On an annual basis the data indicate that 3 of every 10 typhoons reached the super typhoon threshold. The ratio of super typhoon occurrence to total typhoon occurrence was calculated for each year and is shown in the last column of Table 3-12. Super typhoon to typhoon occurrences range from about 1 in 10 (1960) to near 6 in 10 (1970). No apparent correlation stands out from these data. A graphic plot of the ratios (Figure 3-14) does show a rather interesting pattern, though. Except between 1967 and 1968 the curve shows a rather uniform sawtooth pattern with alternating relatively high and low ratio years.

RATIO OF SUPER TYPHOON OCCURRENCE TO TOTAL TYPHOON OCCURRENCE

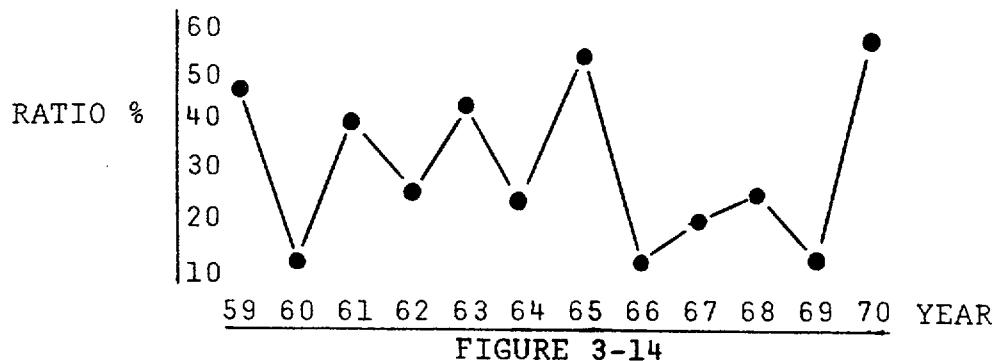


FIGURE 3-14

4. AREAL DISTRIBUTION:

The location where each super typhoon attained 130 knots sustained wind was plotted on a map (Figure 3-15). The Philippine Sea stands out as the primary genesis area. Sixty-two of the 70 super typhoons (89%) attained this distinction in that region. A large majority of all the occurrences (52 or 74%) are concentrated in the 10 degree latitude band from 14°N to 24°N. Note that none formed west of the Philippine Sea. The eastern-most formation was Fay '68 (18.6N 162.1E), the northern-most Shirley '65 (31.3N 132.9E), and the southern-most Kate '70 (6.0N 126.4E). Surprisingly only two developed southeast of Guam (Nancy '61 and Karen '62).

Another view of the areal distribution of the super typhoon genesis points is contained in Figure 3-16. The points were totalled by five degree Marsden squares and isoplethed. The areas of maximum occurrence stand out dramatically in this depiction. One is located in the western part of the Philippine Sea with another located along the eastern entrance to the Sea. A definite minima is situated between the two. This double maxima closely fits the doublet structure charted by FUNG Yat-kong (1970) of mean minimum pressure of typhoons for the period 1958-1968. His western-most minima is displaced 5 degrees north of our max occurrence area while his eastern-most minima is displaced about 400 miles northwest of our eastern maxima. This logically places the minimum pressure areas climatologically downstream from the areas of maximum super typhoon formation.

Figure 3-16 indicates the western maxima is higher than the eastern one. In reality, the eastern maxima represents a higher probability of a typhoon traversing the area becoming a super typhoon than does the western maxima. During this period (1959-1970) 51 typhoons moved through the square enclosing the western maximum super typhoon occurrence while only 33 traversed the eastern square. This indicates that 1 out of every 6 or 7 typhoons that passed through the western area intensified to super strength whereas in the eastern area about 1 out of 5 did.

5. SUMMARY:

Data for the period 1959 through 1970 indicate that super typhoons (maximum surface winds \geq 130 knots) are relatively common occurrences in the Northwestern Pacific. Three of every 10 typhoons can be expected to intensify to super typhoon strength. The annual average is six with yearly extremes ranging from 2 to 11. Ninety-four percent form during the period June through December. The probability of a typhoon becoming a super typhoon during the period September through December is double the expectancy of the period June through August. September recorded the most super typhoon occurrences. During this month half of the typhoons reached super strength.

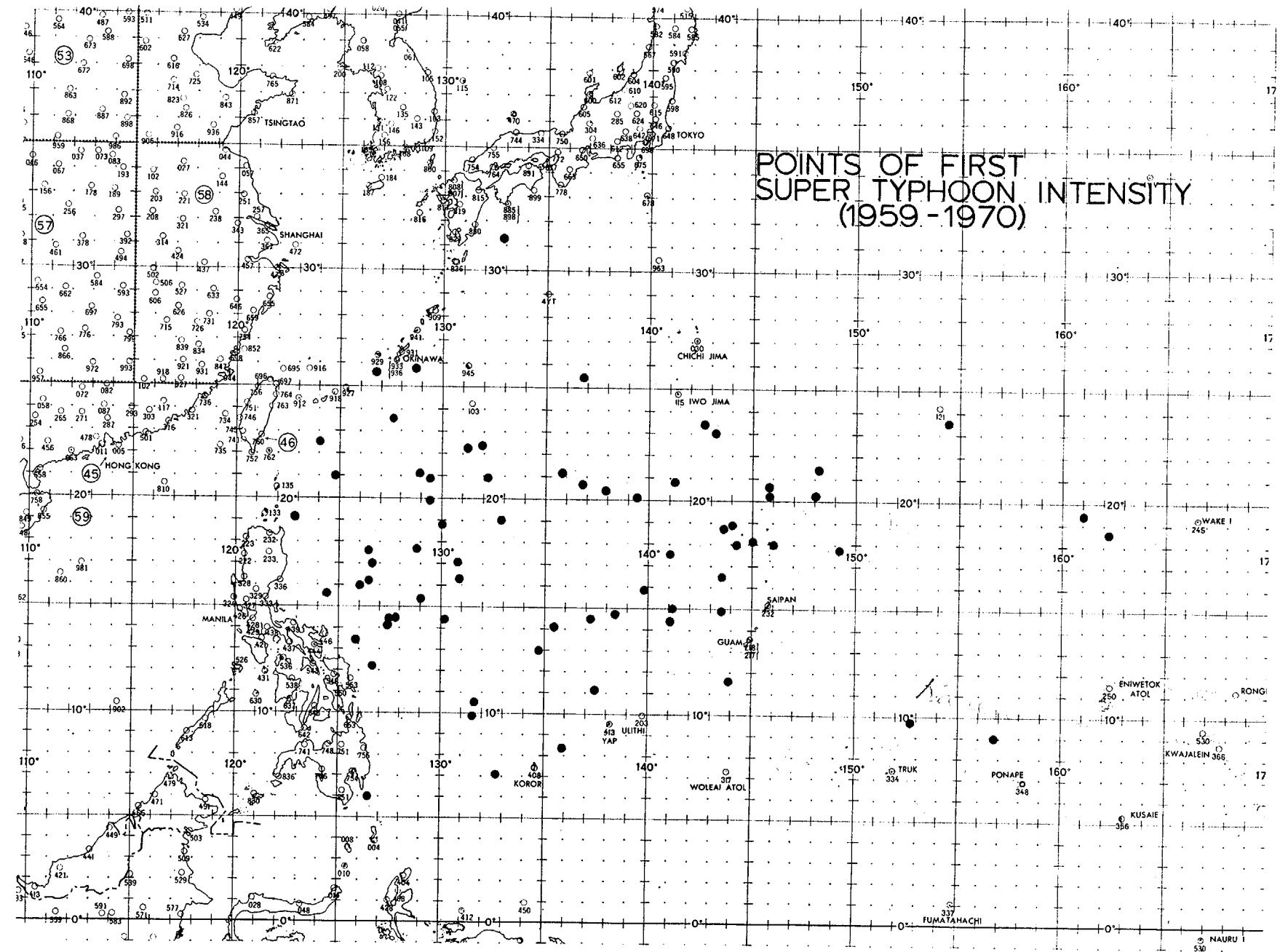


FIGURE 3-15

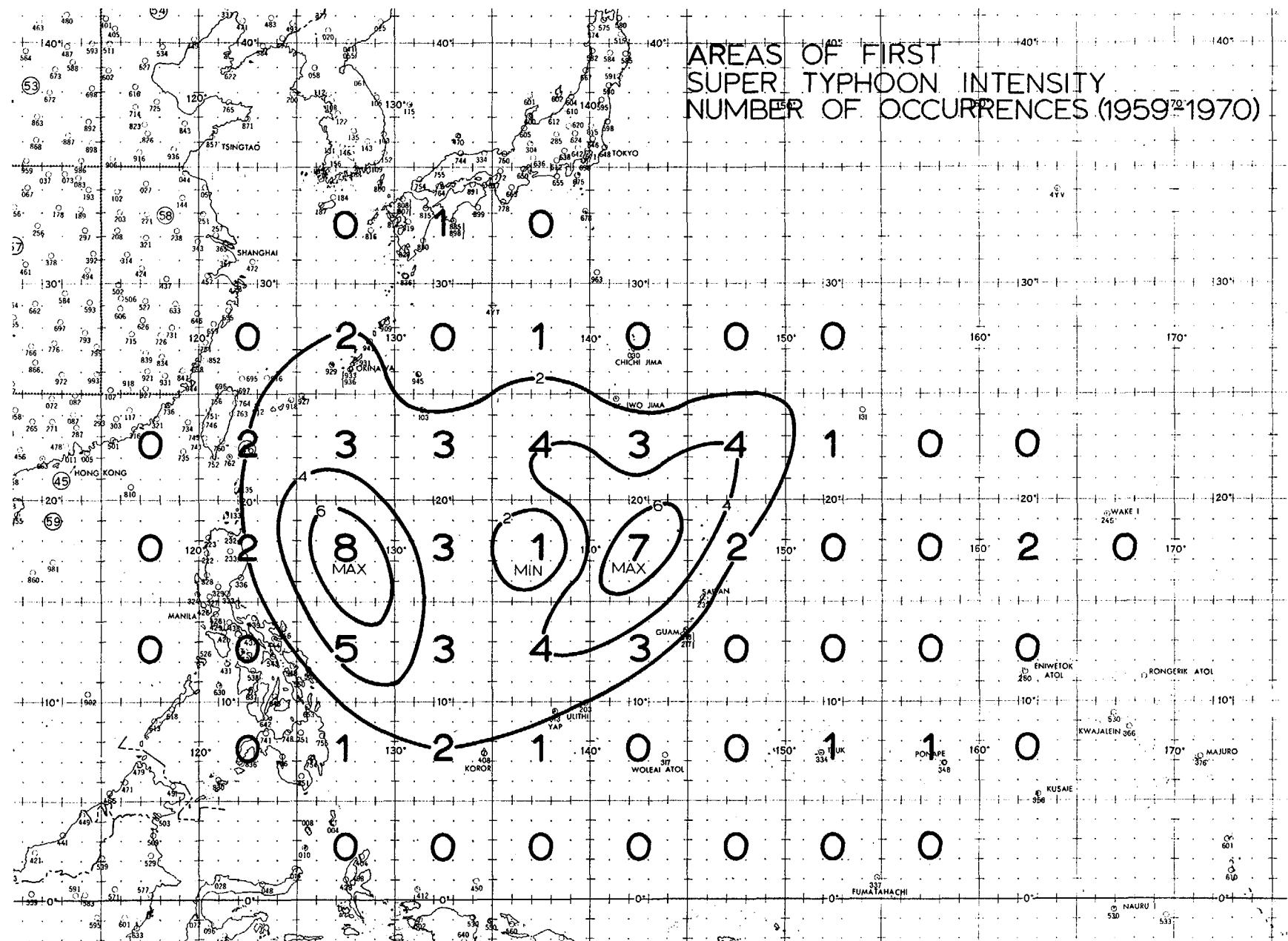


FIGURE 3-16

I. FREQUENCY OF TROPICAL CYCLONES IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC

Not until the initial impact of aircraft reconnaissance in 1945 did a satisfactory set of statistics become available on the tropical cyclone occurrences in the West Pacific area. The Royal Observatory at Hong Kong has prepared an exhaustive study of tropical cyclone climatology from 1884-1953 data (Chin, 1958), however, it is limited to an area west of the 150th meridian. Statistics varied as different military organizations were involved in forecasting these storms. A comparison of data prepared by these sources show a fluctuation of figures prior to 1954.

In an effort to standardize the data for reference purposes at JTWC, a search has been made of available sources for the most reliable and representative set of frequency statistics. Research by the Environmental Data Service (NOAA) of figures available at the National Weather Records Center in Asheville is regarded as the most comprehensive study on the subject. This study was conducted in the preparation of the TYFOON analog program history file under NAVWEARSCHFAC sponsorship with JTWC cooperation. JTWC believes this to be the most representative set of statistics available and regards it as the official data base. These data are summarized in Tables 3-13 and 3-14.

FREQUENCY OF TROPICAL CYCLONES (INCLUDING TYPHOONS) BY MONTHS AND YEARS

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTAL |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1945 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 26 |
| 1946 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 15 |
| 1947 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 27 |
| 1948 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 26 |
| 1949 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 22 |
| 1950 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 18 |
| 1951 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 17 |
| 1952 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 28 |
| 1953 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 23 |
| 1954 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 19 |
| 1955 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 22 |
| 1956 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 22 |
| 1957 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 21 |
| 1958 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 22 |
| 1959 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 26 |
| 1960 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 27 |
| 1961 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 31 |
| 1962 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 7 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 30 |
| 1963 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 25 |
| 1964 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 1 | 40 |
| 1965 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 34 |
| 1966 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 30 |
| 1967 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 35 |
| 1968 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 27 |
| 1969 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 19 |
| 1970 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 24 |
| Totals | 11 | 7 | 12 | 17 | 26 | 40 | 94 | 133 | 119 | 98 | 69 | 30 | 656 |
| Avg. | .42 | .27 | .46 | .65 | 1.00 | 1.54 | 3.62 | 5.12 | 4.58 | 3.76 | 2.65 | 1.15 | 25.23 |

TABLE 3-13

FREQUENCY OF TROPICAL CYCLONES REACHING TYPHOON INTENSITY BY MONTHS AND YEARS

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTAL |
|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| 1945 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| 1946 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 13 |
| 1947 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 19 |
| 1948 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 15 |
| 1949 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 14 |
| 1950 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 12 |
| 1951 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 16 |
| 1952 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 19 |
| 1953 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 17 |
| 1954 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 15 |
| 1955 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 19 |
| 1956 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 18 |
| 1957 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 18 |
| 1958 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 20 |
| 1959 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 17 |
| 1960 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 19 |
| 1961 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 20 |
| 1962 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 24 |
| 1963 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 19 |
| 1964 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 26 |
| 1965 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 21 |
| 1966 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| 1967 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 20 |
| 1968 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 20 |
| 1969 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| 1970 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
| Totals | 7 | 2 | 6 | 14 | 17 | 22 | 23 | 283 | 6167 | 9477 | 8388 | 7375 | 4951 |
| Avg. | .27 | .08 | .23 | .54 | .85 | 1.08 | 2.35 | 3.62 | 3.19 | 2.81 | 1.88 | .77 | 17.65 |

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CHAPTER 4

SUMMARY OF TROPICAL CYCLONES 1970

SUMMARY OF WESTERN PACIFIC
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OF 1970

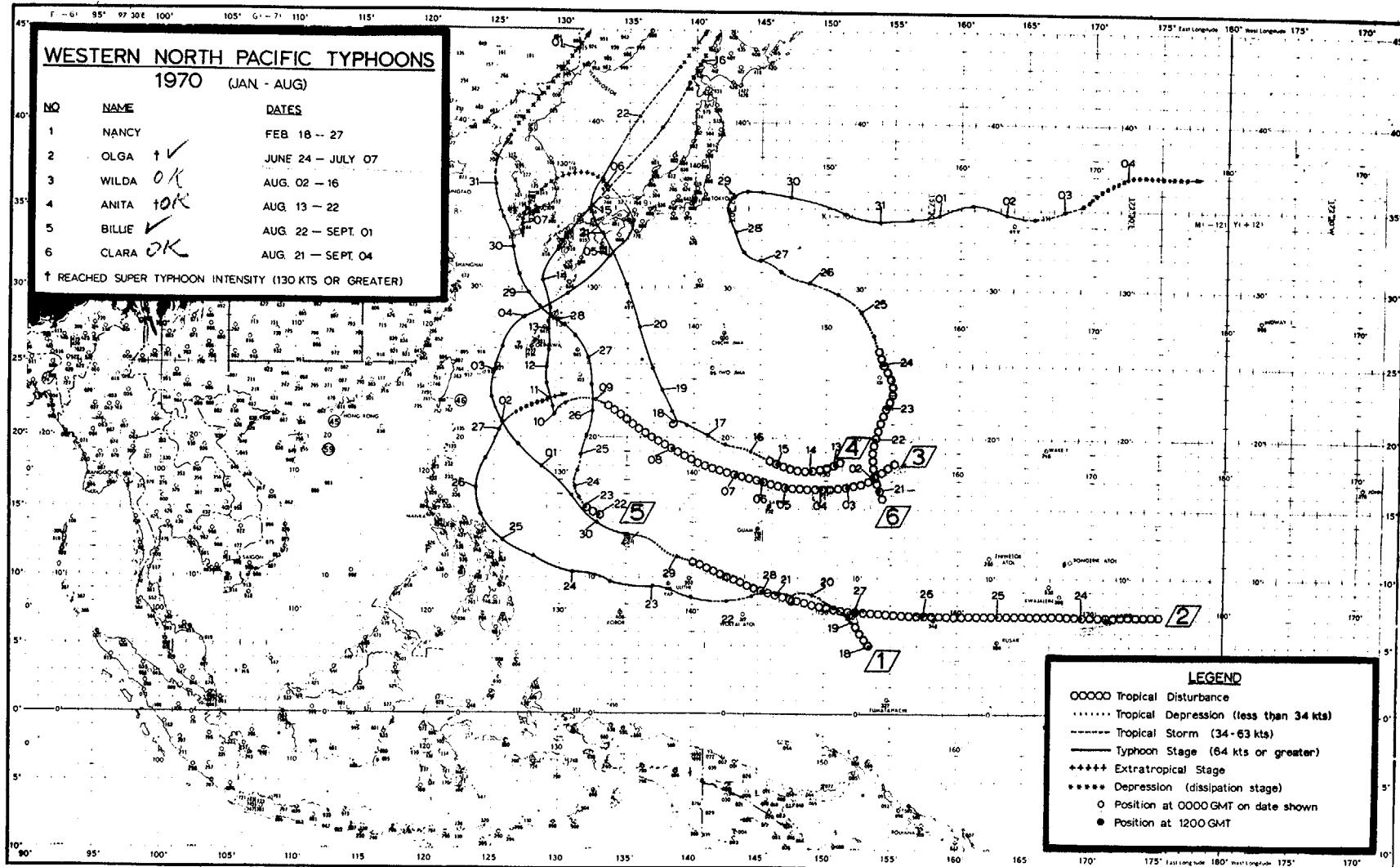
| | <u>1960-1969</u> <u>(AVE)</u> | <u>1969</u> | <u>1970</u> |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL NUMBER OF WARNINGS | 750 | 430 | 533 |
| CALENDAR DAYS OF WARNING | 153 | 108 | 127 |
| NUMBER OF WARNING DAYS WITH TWO OR MORE CYCLONES | 56 | 15 | 29 |
| NUMBER OF WARNING DAYS WITH THREE OR MORE CYCLONES | 14 | 1 | 0 |
| TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| TROPICAL STORMS | 10 | 6 | 12 |
| TYPHOONS | 20 | 13 | 12 |
| TOTAL TROPICAL CYCLONES | 36 | 23 | 27 |

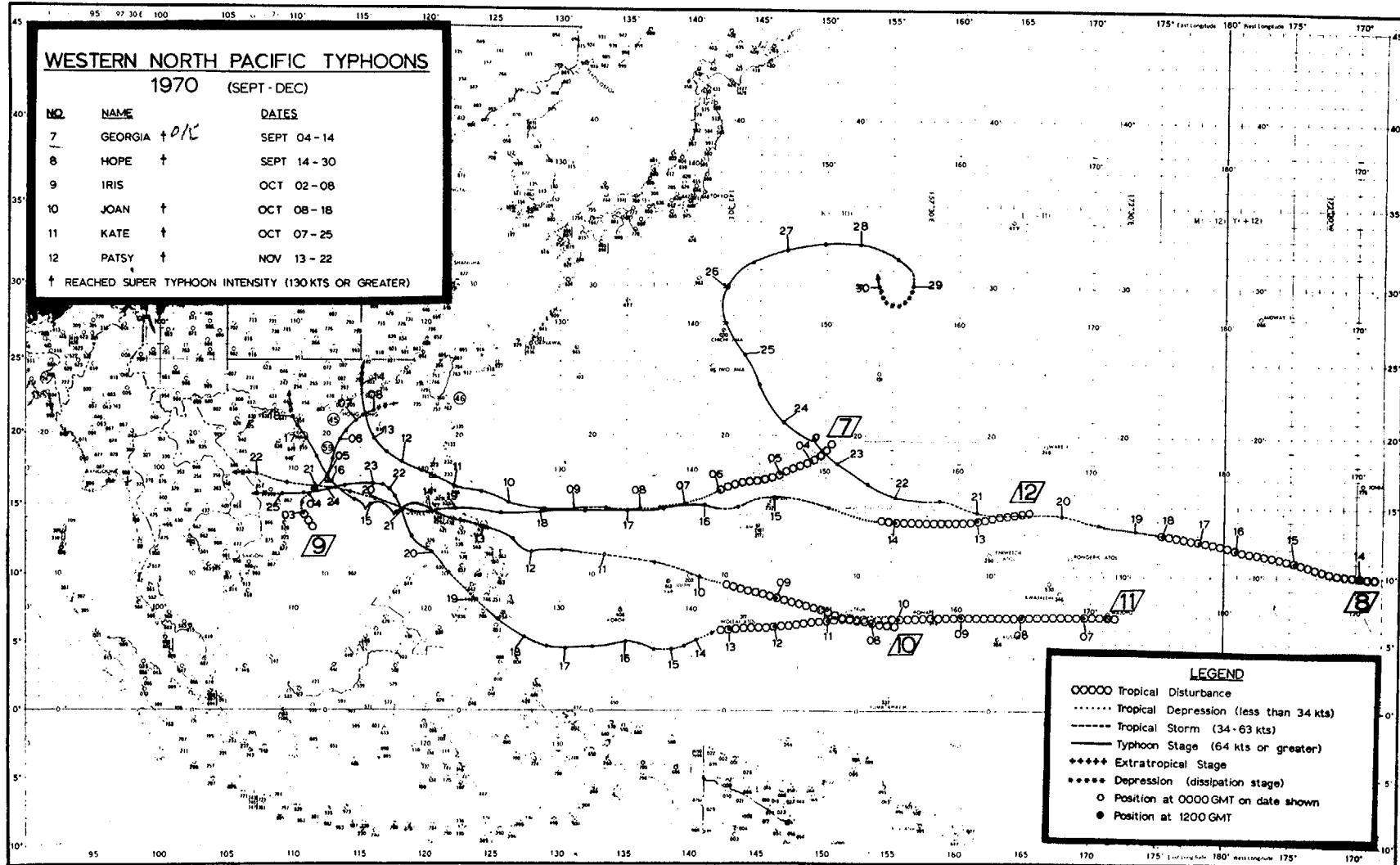
TABLE 4-1

SUPER TYPHOONS DURING 1970

| <u>CYCLONE NUMBER</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>INCLUSIVE DATES</u> | <u>MAX INTENSITY</u> | <u>MIN SLP</u> | <u>MIN 700 MB HT</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 02 | OLGA | 28 JUN-05 JUL 130-140 | KNOTS | 904 MB | 2268 m |
| 11 | ANITA | 16 AUG-22 AUG 125-135 | KNOTS | 912 MB | 2325 m |
| 17 | GEORGIA | 07 SEP-14 SEP 130-140 | KNOTS | 904 MB | 2390 m |
| 18 | HOPE | 19 SEP-29 SEP 140-150 | KNOTS | 895 MB | 2219 m |
| 21 | JOAN | 09 OCT-18 OCT 135-150 | KNOTS | 901 MB | 2332 m |
| 22 | KATE | 14 OCT-25 OCT 130-135 | KNOTS | 938 MB | 2554 m |
| 27 | PATSY | 14 NOV-22 NOV 120-135 | KNOTS | 918 MB | 2256 m |

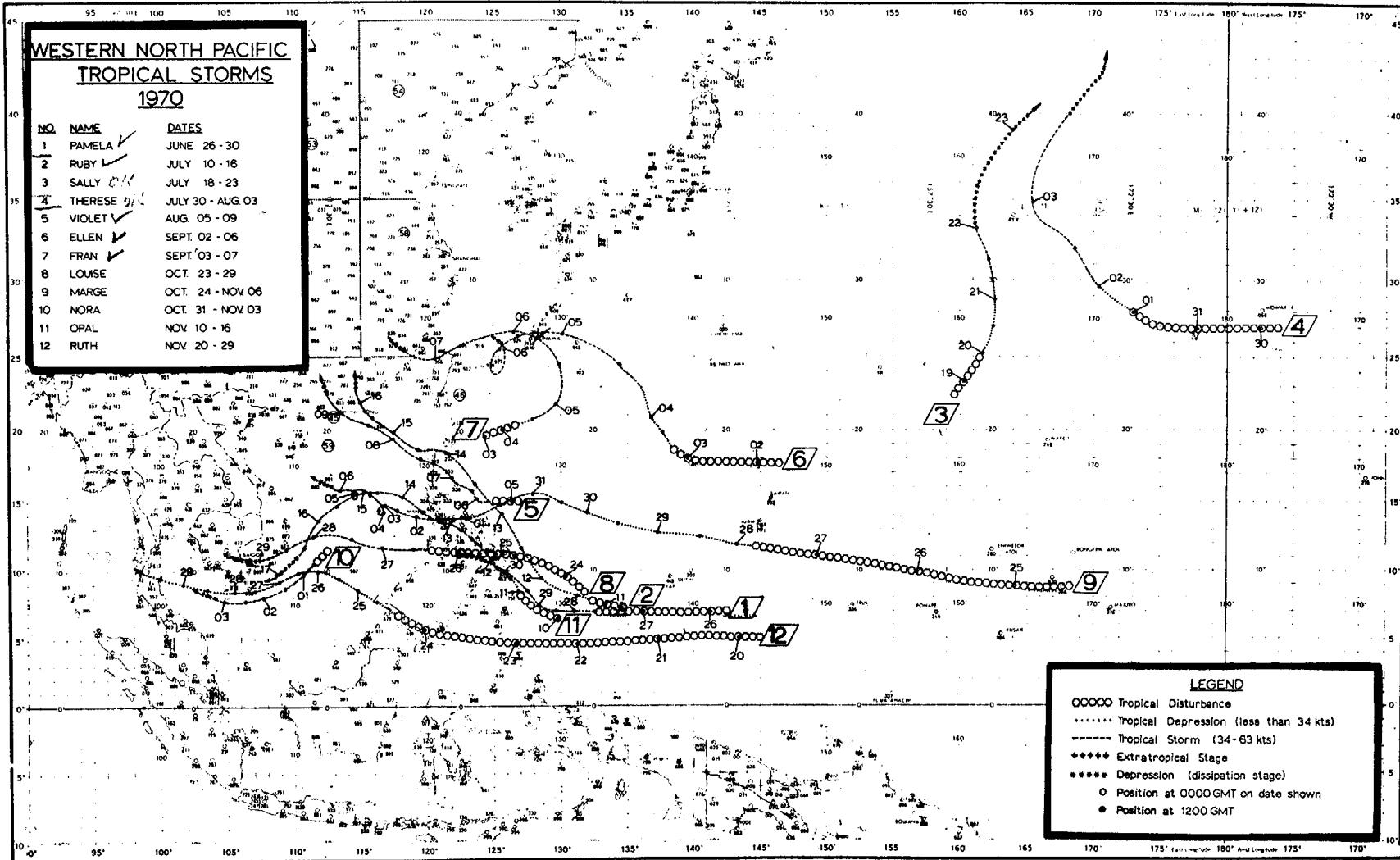
TABLE 4-2





**WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC
TROPICAL STORMS
1970**

| NO. | NAME | DATES |
|-----|-----------|------------------|
| 1 | PAMELA ✓ | JUNE 26 - 30 |
| 2 | RUBY ✓ | JULY 10 - 16 |
| 3 | SALLY ✓ | JULY 18 - 23 |
| 4 | THERESA ✓ | JULY 30 - AUG 03 |
| 5 | VIOLET ✓ | AUG. 05 - 09 |
| 6 | ELLEN ✓ | SEPT. 02 - 06 |
| 7 | FRAN ✓ | SEPT. 03 - 07 |
| 8 | LOUISE | OCT. 23 - 29 |
| 9 | MARGE | OCT. 24 - NOV 06 |
| 10 | NORA | OCT. 31 - NOV 03 |
| 11 | OPAL | NOV 10 - 16 |
| 12 | RUTH | NOV. 20 - 29 |



GENERAL SUMMARY, WESTERN PACIFIC TYPHOON SEASON OF 1970

Twenty four tropical storms were observed in the West Pacific during the 1970 season, twelve of which developed to typhoon strength. Hurricane Dot¹ came close to being added to the list but veered off to the northeast after approaching within 30 miles of the International Date Line northwest of Midway Island.

Although the number of tropical storms (24) was only one less than the average for the past 25 year period, this is the second consecutive season that typhoon frequency has been below normal. 1970 was the lightest year for typhoon activity in two decades (tying a previous low in 1950) and compares with an average of 18 since 1945² (see Table 4-3). The number of typhoon days, however, actually saw an increase of 17 days over 1969 as storms were longer lived (see Table 4-4).

AVERAGE MONTHLY FREQUENCY OF TYPHOONS IN THE WESTERN NORTH PACIFIC DURING PERIOD 1945-1969 COMPARED WITH 1970 SEASON

| | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTAL |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| 1945-69 | .3 | * | .2 | .6 | .9 | 1.1 | 2.4 | 3.6 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 1.9 | .8 | 17.9 |
| 1970 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 12 |

*Less than .05

TABLE 4-3

An uncommon feature this year was the off-season Typhoon Nancy. The unlikelihood of such an event is evidenced in the fact that only one other storm reaching typhoon force has been recorded during the month of February since 1945.

One can only conjecture as to the reasons for the low total of typhoons in 1970. Except for August the subtropical ridge was not consistently developed in either strength or longitudinal extent during the major typhoon months. This inhibited a regime for a persistent fetch of developed easterlies across the climatological development zone of the West Pacific.

¹Name Dot was transferred from West Pacific list to hurricane which developed in the Central Pacific.

²Records compiled by U. S. agencies began in 1945; JTWC established in 1959.

TYPHOON DAYS 1959-1970

| YEAR | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | TOTAL PER YEAR |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------------|
| 1959 | --- | --- | --- | 8 | --- | --- | 3 | 18 | 19 | 18* | 10* | 18 | 94 |
| 1960 | --- | --- | --- | 2 | --- | 10 | 13 | 36* | -- | 23* | 2 | 12 | 98 |
| 1961 | --- | --- | 8 | --- | 8 | 2 | 10* | 15 | 23* | 17* | 6 | 6 | 95 |
| 1962 | --- | --- | --- | 7 | 4 | --- | 14* | 37* | 8 | 30* | 19* | --- | 119 |
| 1963 | --- | --- | --- | 4 | 5 | 15 | 11 | 23* | 14* | 24* | --- | 11 | 107 |
| 1964 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 7 | 5* | 22* | 18* | 28* | 14 | 11* | 6 | 111 |
| 1965 | 2 | --- | --- | 2 | 5 | 12* | 19* | 23* | 25* | 14 | 6 | --- | 108 |
| 1966 | --- | --- | --- | 5 | 11 | 6 | 7* | 16* | 23* | 11 | 4 | 3 | 84 |
| 1967 | --- | --- | 2 | 7 | --- | 4 | 14* | 10 | 32* | 21* | 21* | --- | 111 |
| 1968 | --- | --- | --- | 6 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 32* | 19 | 18* | --- | 96 |
| 1969 | 5 | --- | --- | 5 | --- | --- | 8 | 6 | 10 | 18 | 10* | --- | 62 |
| 1970 | --- | 5 | --- | --- | --- | 2 | 5 | 24* | 16 | 21* | 6 | --- | 79 |
| TOTAL | 7 | 5 | 10 | 46 | 41 | 63 | 132 | 234 | 230 | 229 | 112 | 56 | 1165 |

*Two typhoons occurring on the same day are counted as two typhoon days.

TABLE 4-4

LIST OF METEOROLOGICAL DATA, ESTIMATED CASUALTIES, AND
AFFECTED GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATIONS FOR THE TYPHOON SEASON 1970

| TYPHOON | MINIMUM PRESSURE (MB) | MAXIMUM WIND (KT) | DEATHS | MISSING | PRINCIPAL AREAS AFFECTED |
|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------|---------|--|
| NANCY | 949 | 120 | --- | --- | Yap and the Philippines |
| OLGA | 904 | 140 | 37 | --- | Ryukyu's, Japan, and Korea |
| WILDA | 939 | 105 | 11 | 1 | Ryukyu's and Japan |
| ANITA | 912 | 135 | 23 | 4 | Japan |
| BILLIE | 945 | 110 | 15 | --- | Ryukyu's and Korea |
| CLARA | 965 | 85 | --- | --- | Remained over water |
| GEORGIA | 904 | 140 | 95 | 80 | Philippines, Hong Kong, and South China |
| HOPE | 895 | 150 | --- | --- | Chi Chi Jima Island |
| IRIS | 944 | 100 | --- | --- | Parcel Islands |
| JOAN | 901 | 150 | 575 | 193 | Philippines, Parcel Islands, Hong Kong, and South China |
| KATE | 938 | 130 | 631 | 284 | Philippines and Vietnam |
| PATSY | 918 | 135 | 241 | 351 | Philippines and Vietnam |
| TOTAL | | | 1,628 | 913 | |

TABLE 4-5

As a result of this abnormal synoptic pattern, tradewind-produced cyclonic wind shear was weak as was the mechanism for mass transport towards developing depression centers. Both of these environmental conditions have been emphasized by Simpson (1971) as important for development.

The most striking period of inactivity was the lack of development during the month of July. Usually averaging 2 typhoons, the period was void of generation for the first time in 23 years dating back to 1947. Mean 700 mb height anomaly pattern for July indicated a blocking ridge situation over eastern Siberia with below normal geopotential heights in the subtropics west of Wake Island (Green, 1970). It is a similar pattern to that shown unfavorable for development in the Atlantic (Sugg and Hebert, 1969). A weak persistent trough extended from the mid-latitudes east of Japan into the tropics near the Marianas chain during most of the month slowly retrograding during the latter portion. Thus easterly flow across the tropical West Pacific was generally disrupted and underdeveloped--a condition not favored for typhoon generation.

The upper-tropospheric Mid-Pacific trough, noted by Sadler (1967) as a secondary source of typhoons, acted as an initiator in half of the dozen cases recorded during 1970. This semi-permanent climatological feature was the prime impetus for typhoons during August and early September. The axis of the shearline reached westward from Midway to the vicinity of Marcus Island during this period. Four cyclonic cells on its westward extension penetrated downward inducing surface troughs in the easterlies which later developed into typhoons Wilda, Anita, Clara, and Georgia.

The percentage of typhoons that became unusually severe was high as seven of the year's twelve crossed the super typhoon threshold (130 knots or greater). The Republic of the Philippines was especially hard hit as four of these extreme storms delivered their brunt to the archipelago within a three month period (see Table 4-5). Georgia led the succession in September followed by Joan and Kate in October and culminated in Patsy's direct strike on the metropolitan area of Manila in November. The total loss of life in the Philippines as a result of these storms is estimated near 1,550 with an additional 900 persons missing.

As damage and casualty statistics are incomplete for the West Pacific for the 1970 season, mention is made on an individual basis for each storm narrative. Figures were based on data from the Office of the High Commissioner - Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Royal Observatory of Hong Kong, Weather Bureau of the Republic of the Philippines, Japan Meteorological Agency, and the Environmental Data Service - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

1970 TROPICAL CYCLONES

| CYCLONE | TYPE | NAME | DATE* | CALENDAR DAYS OF WARNING | MAX SFC WIND* | MIN OBS SLP | MAX RADIUS SFC CIRC | WARNINGS ISSUED | | |
|---------|------|---------|--|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | | | | TOTAL | NO. AS TYPHOONS | DISTANCE TRAVELED* |
| 01 | T | NANCY | 19 FEB-27 FEB | 9 | 120 | 949 | 400 | 31 | 19 | 2,148 |
| 02 | T | OLGA | 28 JUN-05 JUL | 8 | 140 | 904 | 360 | 29 | 22 | 2,382 |
| 03 | TS | PAMELA | 29 JUN-30 JUN | 4 | 55 | 980 | 120 | 6 | 0 | 385 |
| 04 | TS | RUBY | 11 JUL-16 JUL | 6 | 50 | 984 | 240 | 18 | 0 | 922 |
| 05 | TS | SALLY | 20 JUL-22 JUL | 3 | 40 | 989 | 300 | 9 | 0 | 126 |
| 06 | TD | ---- | 28 JUL-30 JUL | 3 | 30 | 993 | 180 | 13 | 0 | 826 |
| 07 | TD | ---- | 01 AUG-02 AUG | 2 | 30 | 1001 | 180 | 5 | 0 | 423 |
| 08 | TS | THERESA | 01 AUG-03 AUG | 3 | 40 | 988 | 120 | 5 | 0 | 993 |
| 09 | TS | VIOLET | 05 AUG-09 AUG | 5 | 40 | 990 | 420 | 14 | 0 | 770 |
| 10 | T | WILDA | 08 AUG-15 AUG | 8 | 105 | 939 | 540 | 27 | 19 | 1,860 |
| 11 | T | ANITA | 15 AUG-22 AUG | 8 | 135 | 912 | 480 | 26 | 19 | 2,001 |
| 12 | T | BILLIE | 23 AUG-31 AUG | 9 | 110 | 946 | 600 | 34 | 24 | 1,697 |
| 13 | T | CLARA | 24 AUG-03 SEP | 11 | 85 | 965 | 420 | 34 | 13 | 2,449 |
| 14 | H | DOT | (NAME GIVEN TO CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER, HONOLULU) | | | | | | | |
| 15 | TS | ELLEN | 03 SEP-05 SEP | 3 | 40 | 984 | 180 | 9 | 0 | 1,206 |
| 16 | TS | FRAN | 04 SEP-07 SEP | 4 | 55 | 976 | 300 | 15 | 0 | 1,731 |
| 17 | T | GEORGIA | 07 SEP-14 SEP | 8 | 140 | 904 | 420 | 26 | 19 | 1,718 |
| 18 | T | HOPE | 19 SEP-29 SEP | 11 | 150 | 895 | 360 | 37 | 27 | 3,034 |
| 19 | T | IRIS | 03 OCT-08 OCT | 6 | 100 | 944 | 180 | 18 | 11 | 492 |
| 20 | TD | ---- | 04 OCT | 1 | 30 | 1006 | 150 | 4 | 0 | 60 |
| 21 | T | JOAN | 09 OCT-18 OCT | 10 | 150 | 901 | 720 | 34 | 25 | 2,254 |
| 22 | T | KATE | 14 OCT-25 OCT | 12 | 130 | 938 | 540 | 42 | 34 | 2,317 |
| 23 | TS | LOUISE | 26 OCT-28 OCT | 3 | 60 | 978 | 360 | 9 | 0 | 633 |
| 24 | TS | MARGE | 27 OCT-06 NOV | 11 | 55 | 987 | 240 | 32 | 0 | 1,239 |
| 25 | TS | NORA | 31 OCT-03 NOV | 4 | 50 | 1002 | 240 | 6 | 0 | 377 |
| 26 | TS | OPAL | 10 NOV-17 NOV | 8 | 50 | 991 | 180 | 14 | 0 | 773 |
| 27 | T | PATSY | 14 NOV-22 NOV | 9 | 135 | 918 | 600 | 33 | 19 | 2,917 |
| 28 | TS | RUTH | 24 NOV-29 NOV | 6 | 40 | 995 | 240 | 3 | 0 | 391 |

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*Data Taken From Best Track

TABLE 4-6

1970 TROPICAL STORM AND DEPRESSION POSITION DATA

TROPICAL STORM PAMELA
29 JUN - 1 JUL

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 29/0500Z | 7.1N | 127.7E | 7.7N | 127.7E | 7.8N | 126.6E |
| 02 | 29/1100Z | 7.6N | 127.3E | 8.4N | 127.6E | 8.6N | 126.3E |
| 03 | 29/1700Z | 8.9N | 127.2E | 9.2N | 127.0E | 11.3N | 126.3E |
| 04 | 29/2300Z | 10.0N | 126.0E | 9.9N | 125.9E | 12.5N | 122.8E |
| 05 | 30/0500Z | 10.4N | 124.9E | 10.3N | 125.1E | 12.5N | 121.5E |
| 06 | 30/1100Z | 10.7N | 124.3E | 10.7N | 124.4E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM RUBY
11 JUL - 16 JUL

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 11/2300Z | 9.7N | 128.5E | 8.1N | 131.3E | 10.8N | 125.5E |
| 02 | 12/0500Z | 10.0N | 127.7E | 9.2N | 128.7E | 11.1N | 124.7E |
| 03 | 12/1100Z | 10.7N | 127.2E | 10.3N | 127.8E | 12.7N | 124.7E |
| 04 | 12/1700Z | 11.5N | 126.9E | 12.7N | 126.4E | 13.9N | 124.8E |
| 05 | 12/2300Z | 14.1N | 125.8E | 13.9N | 125.8E | 17.7N | 122.2E |
| 06 | 13/0500Z | 14.9N | 124.5E | 14.7N | 124.7E | 18.6N | 120.7E |
| 07 | 13/1100Z | 15.8N | 123.4E | 16.0N | 123.8E | 19.6N | 120.1E |
| 08 | 13/1700Z | 17.4N | 122.2E | 17.2N | 122.8E | 21.8N | 119.5E |
| 09 | 13/2300Z | 18.2N | 121.9E | 18.2N | 121.5E | 23.3N | 119.7E |
| 10 | 14/0500Z | 19.5N | 120.9E | 18.7N | 120.5E | 24.3N | 119.5E |
| 11 | 14/1100Z | 19.0N | 118.2E | 18.7N | 119.3E | 20.7N | 116.3E |
| 12 | 14/1700Z | 19.4N | 117.8E | 19.2N | 118.3E | 20.9N | 115.9E |
| 13 | 14/2300Z | 19.9N | 117.7E | 19.8N | 117.6E | 21.6N | 115.3E |
| 14 | 15/0500Z | 20.2N | 116.9E | 20.2N | 116.7E | 22.2N | 114.0E |
| 15 | 15/1100Z | 20.8N | 116.3E | 20.8N | 116.0E | 22.8N | 112.8E |
| 16 | 15/1700Z | 21.3N | 115.5E | 21.3N | 115.5E | 23.1N | 112.0E |
| 17 | 15/2300Z | 21.7N | 114.8E | 21.9N | 115.0E | 24.0N | 111.5E |
| 18 | 16/0500Z | 23.1N | 114.6E | 22.6N | 114.8E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM SALLY
20 JUL - 22 JUL

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 20/0500Z | 26.2N | 161.9E | 26.0N | 162.2E | 28.5N | 164.6E |
| 02 | 20/1100Z | 26.8N | 162.3E | 26.8N | 162.5E | 29.1N | 163.9E |
| 03 | 20/1700Z | 26.7N | 162.9E | 27.7N | 162.6E | 28.5N | 165.9E |
| 04 | 20/2300Z | 28.5N | 162.8E | 28.6N | 162.7E | 34.8N | 163.9E |
| 05 | 21/0500Z | 29.8N | 162.6E | 29.8N | 162.6E | 35.8N | 164.6E |
| 06 | 21/1100Z | 31.7N | 162.5E | 31.1N | 162.3E | - | - |
| 07 | 21/1700Z | 32.6N | 161.7E | 32.2N | 161.7E | 33.8N | 158.0E |
| 08 | 21/2300Z | 33.2N | 160.8E | 33.1N | 161.2E | 33.7N | 157.3E |
| 09 | 22/0500Z | 34.9N | 161.1E | 34.7N | 161.1E | - | - |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION 06
28 JUL - 31 JUL

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 28/0500Z | 26.2N | 136.3E | 26.3N | 136.3E | 27.1N | 130.5E |
| 02 | 28/1100Z | 26.4N | 134.7E | 26.8N | 135.3E | 27.2N | 129.4E |
| 03 | 28/1700Z | 26.6N | 133.6E | 27.3N | 134.4E | 27.3N | 128.9E |
| 04 | 28/2300Z | 27.6N | 133.5E | 27.7N | 133.3E | 29.5N | 129.7E |
| 05 | 29/0500Z | 28.1N | 132.5E | 27.9N | 132.3E | 29.8N | 129.1E |
| 06 | 29/1100Z | 28.3N | 131.3E | 28.2N | 131.5E | 29.6N | 128.2E |
| 07 | 29/1700Z | 28.5N | 131.0E | 28.5N | 131.1E | 29.7N | 128.2E |
| 08 | 29/2300Z | 29.0N | 130.9E | 29.2N | 130.7E | 30.0N | 131.0E |
| 09 | 30/0500Z | 30.1N | 130.6E | 29.8N | 130.5E | 33.0N | 131.2E |
| 10 | 30/1100Z | 30.7N | 130.5E | 30.3N | 130.3E | 33.8N | 131.6E |
| 11 | 30/1700Z | 30.8N | 130.1E | 30.6N | 129.6E | - | - |
| 12 | 30/2300Z | 30.2N | 129.1E | 30.6N | 128.8E | 34.2N | 129.5E |
| 13 | 31/0500Z | 31.2N | 128.4E | - | - | - | - |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION 07
1 AUG - 2 AUG

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 01/0500Z | 21.5N | 123.0E | 21.5N | 122.8E | 22.1N | 121.9E |
| 02 | 01/1100Z | 21.9N | 121.1E | 21.7N | 121.6E | 23.8N | 117.3E |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION 07 (Cont'd)
1 AUG - 2 AUG

| WARNING | | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> |
| 03 | 01/1700Z | 22.3N | 120.3E | 22.3N | 120.3E | 24.3N | 116.6E |
| 04 | 01/2300Z | 23.0N | 118.8E | 22.9N | 118.7E | - | - |
| 05 | 02/0500Z | 23.4N | 117.0E | 23.4N | 117.0E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM THERESE
2 AUG - 3 AUG

| WARNING | | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> |
| 01 | 02/2300Z | 34.9N | 165.5E | 34.4N | 165.5E | 44.3N | 169.2E |
| 02 | 03/0500Z | 37.2N | 165.6E | 37.2N | 166.2E | - | - |
| 03 | 03/1100Z | 39.0N | 167.5E | 39.7N | 167.9E | - | - |
| 04 | 03/1700Z | 41.2N | 169.6E | 42.2N | 169.8E | - | - |
| 05 | 03/2300Z | 44.6N | 171.0E | 44.6N | 170.9E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM VIOLET
5 AUG - 9 AUG

| WARNING | | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|------------|------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| <u>NO.</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> |
| 01 | 05/2300Z | 15.7N | 124.0E | 15.0N | 124.0E | 17.0N | 123.3E |
| 02 | 06/0500Z | 15.2N | 123.6N | 15.3N | 123.6E | 16.8N | 123.0E |
| 03 | 06/1100Z | 15.7N | 123.4E | 15.7N | 123.4E | 17.0N | 122.2E |
| 04 | 06/1700Z | 15.8N | 123.1E | 16.1N | 122.6E | 17.4N | 121.8E |
| 05 | 06/2300Z | 16.6N | 122.0E | 16.6N | 121.9E | 18.7N | 120.0E |
| 06 | 07/0500Z | 17.7N | 121.0E | 17.7N | 120.9E | 20.1N | 117.7E |
| 07 | 07/1100Z | 18.3N | 120.0E | 17.9N | 119.6E | 20.6N | 116.1E |
| 08 | 07/1700Z | 18.6N | 118.7E | 18.6N | 118.7E | 20.8N | 114.1E |
| 09 | 07/2300Z | 19.2N | 117.5E | 19.3N | 117.5E | 21.3N | 112.6E |
| 10 | 08/0500Z | 19.6N | 116.7E | 19.7N | 116.8E | 21.5N | 112.2E |
| 11 | 08/1100Z | 20.2N | 115.7E | 20.3N | 115.7E | 21.8N | 111.1E |
| 12 | 08/1700Z | 20.7N | 114.6E | 20.8N | 114.6E | 22.1N | 110.0E |
| 13 | 08/2300Z | 21.1N | 113.6E | 21.1N | 113.6E | - | - |
| 14 | 09/0500Z | 21.7N | 112.5E | 21.7N | 112.5E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM ELLEN
3 SEP - 5 SEP

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 04/0500Z | 23.5N | 135.7E | 22.9N | 136.1E | 25.8N | 132.0E |
| 02 | 04/1100Z | 24.3N | 134.6E | 24.1N | 134.7E | 26.8N | 128.7E |
| 03 | 04/1700Z | 25.2N | 133.2E | 25.3N | 133.0E | 27.1N | 127.0E |
| 04 | 04/2300Z | 26.3N | 130.5E | 26.3N | 130.5E | 27.4N | 122.2E |
| 05 | 05/0500Z | 26.5N | 128.2E | 26.3N | 128.0E | - | - |
| 06 | 05/1100Z | 25.7N | 125.5E | 25.7N | 125.5E | - | - |
| 07 | 05/1700Z | 24.1N | 124.8E | 24.2N | 124.9E | - | - |
| 08 | 05/2300Z | 24.0N | 125.8E | 24.5N | 125.7E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM FRAN
4 SEP - 7 SEP

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 04/1100Z | 20.6N | 127.2E | 20.6N | 127.7E | 20.6N | 125.1E |
| 02 | 04/1700Z | 20.6N | 126.6E | 20.9N | 128.6E | 20.6N | 124.5E |
| 03 | 04/2300Z | 21.7N | 129.5E | 21.7N | 129.5E | 25.1N | 130.7E |
| 04 | 05/0500Z | 23.0N | 130.0E | 22.9N | 130.1E | 27.7N | 128.9E |
| 05 | 05/1100Z | 24.4N | 130.5E | 24.2N | 130.0E | 27.2N | 129.4E |
| 06 | 05/1700Z | 25.5N | 128.9E | 25.6N | 128.8E | 23.5N | 126.1E |
| 07 | 05/2300Z | 26.5N | 126.7E | 26.5N | 126.7E | 27.2N | 122.7E |
| 08 | 06/0500Z | 25.9N | 124.9E | 26.2N | 124.7E | 27.0N | 123.1E |
| 09 | 06/1100Z | 26.3N | 122.3E | 25.9N | 123.0E | - | - |
| 10 | 06/1700Z | 26.2N | 121.2E | 25.3N | 121.8E | - | - |
| 11 | 06/2300Z | 24.8N | 120.7E | 24.9N | 120.8E | - | - |
| 12 | 07/0500Z | 24.8N | 120.2E | 24.8N | 120.1E | - | - |
| 13 | 07/1100Z | 24.8N | 119.4E | 24.8N | 119.5E | - | - |
| 14 | 07/1700Z | 24.9N | 119.0E | 25.0N | 118.9E | - | - |
| 15 | 07/2300Z | 25.4N | 118.5E | 25.2N | 118.3E | - | - |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION 20
4 SEP

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 04/0500Z | 10.0N | 151.0E | | | 11.7N | 147.3E |
| 02 | 04/1100Z | 10.5N | 150.1E | | | 11.9N | 146.3E |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION 20 (Cont'd)
4 SEP

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 03 | 04/1700Z | 10.9N | 149.3E | | | 12.1N | 145.9E |
| 04 | 04/2300Z | 10.5N | 149.0E | | | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM MARGE
27 OCT - 6 NOV

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 28/0500Z | 12.2N | 142.2E | 12.2N | 142.0E | 13.6N | 137.5E |
| 02 | 28/1100Z | 12.5N | 140.6E | 12.4N | 140.7E | 13.1N | 135.4E |
| 03 | 28/1700Z | 12.4N | 139.3E | 12.5N | 139.2E | 12.8N | 134.4E |
| 04 | 28/2300Z | 12.6N | 137.5E | 12.7N | 137.5E | 12.8N | 131.7E |
| 05 | 29/0500Z | 13.8N | 135.7E | 13.3N | 136.7E | 15.5N | 129.3E |
| 06 | 29/1100Z | 13.3N | 134.3E | 13.3N | 134.3E | - | - |
| 07 | 30/1100Z | 14.7N | 130.5E | 14.9N | 130.2E | 14.9N | 128.4E |
| 08 | 30/1700Z | 14.8N | 130.0E | 15.2N | 129.2E | 14.9N | 127.8E |
| 09 | 30/2300Z | 14.7N | 127.8E | 15.4N | 128.1E | 14.4N | 122.9E |
| 10 | 31/0500Z | 15.6N | 127.1E | 15.5N | 127.1E | 16.5N | 123.1E |
| 11 | 31/1100Z | 15.0N | 125.6E | 15.0N | 125.6E | 13.4N | 120.2E |
| 12 | 31/1700Z | 14.4N | 124.2E | 14.3N | 124.3E | - | - |
| 13 | 31/2300Z | 13.7N | 122.9E | 13.9N | 123.1E | - | - |
| 14 | 01/0500Z | 13.7N | 122.1E | 13.7N | 122.1E | - | - |
| 15 | 02/0500Z | 14.1N | 118.1E | 14.1N | 118.4E | 13.3N | 115.2E |
| 16 | 02/1100Z | 14.1N | 117.8E | 14.2N | 117.8E | 14.1N | 115.2E |
| 17 | 02/1700Z | 14.5N | 116.9E | 14.6N | 117.2E | 14.5N | 113.9E |
| 18 | 02/2300Z | 14.7N | 116.9E | 14.7N | 116.9E | 15.2N | 115.0E |
| 19 | 03/0500Z | 14.8N | 116.6E | 14.8N | 116.8E | 15.0N | 114.8E |
| 20 | 03/1100Z | 14.9N | 116.8E | 14.4N | 116.5E | 14.7N | 115.5E |
| 21 | 03/1700Z | 14.3N | 116.4E | 14.4N | 116.5E | 13.7N | 114.6E |
| 22 | 03/2300Z | 14.3N | 116.3E | 14.4N | 116.5E | 13.6N | 114.8E |
| 23 | 04/0500Z | 14.5N | 116.6E | 14.9N | 116.3E | 14.5N | 116.6E |
| 24 | 04/1100Z | 15.3N | 115.8E | 15.3N | 115.7E | 17.2N | 115.7E |
| 25 | 04/1700Z | 15.7N | 115.0E | 15.8N | 115.0E | 16.2N | 112.1E |
| 26 | 04/2300Z | 15.9N | 114.3E | 15.7N | 114.5E | 16.2N | 111.3E |
| 27 | 05/0500Z | 15.8N | 114.5E | 15.5N | 114.5E | 15.8N | 113.9E |
| 28 | 05/1100Z | 15.4N | 114.6E | 15.6N | 114.7E | 15.4N | 114.0E |
| 29 | 05/1700Z | 15.7N | 114.0E | 15.8N | 113.9E | 15.4N | 112.7E |
| 30 | 05/2300Z | 15.8N | 113.6E | 15.8N | 113.5E | 15.3N | 112.0E |
| 31 | 06/0500Z | 15.7N | 112.8E | 15.9N | 112.9E | - | - |
| 32 | 06/1100Z | 16.1N | 112.4E | 16.1N | 112.5E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM LOUISE
27 OCT - 29 OCT

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 27/0500Z | 11.7N | 115.5E | 11.8N | 115.5E | 12.0N | 111.0E |
| 02 | 27/1100Z | 12.1N | 114.4E | 12.1N | 114.4E | 12.3N | 110.1E |
| 03 | 27/1700Z | 12.3N | 113.5E | 12.3N | 112.9E | 12.3N | 109.4E |
| 04 | 27/2300Z | 12.5N | 111.6E | 12.3N | 111.5E | - | - |
| 05 | 28/0500Z | 12.2N | 109.9E | 11.9N | 110.3E | - | - |
| 06 | 28/1100Z | 11.7N | 109.4E | 11.6N | 109.5E | - | - |
| 07 | 28/1700Z | 11.3N | 108.5E | 11.2N | 108.5E | - | - |
| 08 | 28/2300Z | 11.0N | 107.5E | 10.9N | 107.5E | - | - |
| 09 | 29/0500Z | 11.3N | 106.5E | - | - | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM NORA
2 NOV - 3 NOV

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 02/0500Z | 7.8N | 107.0E | 8.8N | 107.1E | 7.8N | 103.5E |
| 02 | 02/1100Z | 7.8N | 106.1E | 7.8N | 106.3E | 7.9N | 102.9E |
| 03 | 02/1700Z | 7.8N | 105.6E | 7.8N | 105.6E | 7.9N | 102.9E |
| 04 | 02/2300Z | 7.8N | 104.9E | 7.8N | 104.9E | 7.9N | 102.2E |
| 05 | 03/0500Z | 7.8N | 104.2E | 7.9N | 104.4E | 8.1N | 101.4E |
| 06 | 03/1100Z | 8.0N | 103.8E | 8.1N | 103.8E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM OPAL
13 NOV - 17 NOV

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 13/2300Z | 15.1N | 118.2E | 15.1N | 118.2E | 15.4N | 115.3E |
| 02 | 14/0500Z | 15.4N | 117.2E | 15.4N | 117.3E | 15.2N | 113.7E |
| 03 | 14/1100Z | 15.6N | 116.4E | 15.6N | 116.3E | 15.1N | 113.4E |
| 04 | 14/1700Z | 15.6N | 115.5E | 15.7N | 115.3E | 14.8N | 112.6E |
| 05 | 14/2300Z | 15.4N | 114.3E | 15.5N | 114.5E | 14.3N | 111.0E |
| 06 | 15/0500Z | 15.5N | 114.4E | 15.2N | 114.1E | 15.2N | 112.8E |
| 07 | 15/1100Z | 14.6N | 113.3E | 14.7N | 113.2E | 13.1N | 109.9E |
| 08 | 15/1700Z | 14.3N | 112.7E | 14.3N | 112.5E | 13.0N | 109.7E |
| 09 | 15/2300Z | 13.8N | 111.8E | 13.7N | 111.9E | 12.7N | 108.3E |
| 10 | 16/0500Z | 12.8N | 111.3E | 12.8N | 111.4E | 10.9N | 108.2E |
| 11 | 16/1100Z | 11.8N | 111.0E | 11.8N | 110.8E | 9.0N | 108.1E |
| 12 | 16/1700Z | 10.8N | 110.5E | 10.8N | 110.2E | 8.5N | 107.8E |
| 13 | 16/2300Z | 9.9N | 109.3E | 9.9N | 109.1E | - | - |
| 14 | 17/0500Z | 9.4N | 107.8E | 9.4N | 107.9E | - | - |

TROPICAL STORM RUTH
24 NOV - 29 NOV

| WARNING NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HOUR FORECAST POSIT | |
|----------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG |
| 01 | 27/0500Z | 8.7N | 108.5E | 8.8N | 108.4E | 8.2N | 105.7E |
| 02 | 27/1100Z | 8.2N | 107.7E | 8.5N | 107.2E | 7.2N | 104.6E |
| 03 | 27/1700Z | 7.8N | 106.5E | 8.4N | 106.1E | - | - |

Forecast positions for the 24, 48, and 72 hour forecasts are verified only as long as the best track analysis estimates winds in excess of 33 knots for tropical cyclones which reach typhoon intensity.

In addition to this method of verifying absolute error distance, a computation of closest distance to the best track (right angle error) has been included to indicate the demonstrated ability to forecast the path of motion without regard to speed.

The following tables and figures are presented to graphically depict the distribution of forecasting error in JTWC forecasts.

FORECAST VERIFICATION
AVERAGE ERROR (NAUTICAL MILES)

| | <u>24 HR</u> | <u>48 HR</u> | <u>72 HR</u> |
|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1950-58 | 170 | --- | --- |
| 1959 | *117 | *267 | --- |
| 1960 | 177 | 354 | --- |
| 1961 | 136 | 274 | --- |
| 1962 | 144 | 287 | 476 |
| 1963 | 127 | 246 | 374 |
| 1964 | 133 | 284 | 429 |
| 1965 | 151 | 303 | 418 |
| 1966 | 136 | 280 | 432 |
| 1967 | 125 | 276 | 414 |
| 1968 | 105 | 229 | 337 |
| 1969 | 111 | 237 | 349 |
| 1970 | 98 | 181 | 272 |

*FORECAST POSITIONS NORTH OF 35N WERE NOT VERIFIED.

TABLE 4-7

JTWC OFFICIAL FORECAST ACCURACY

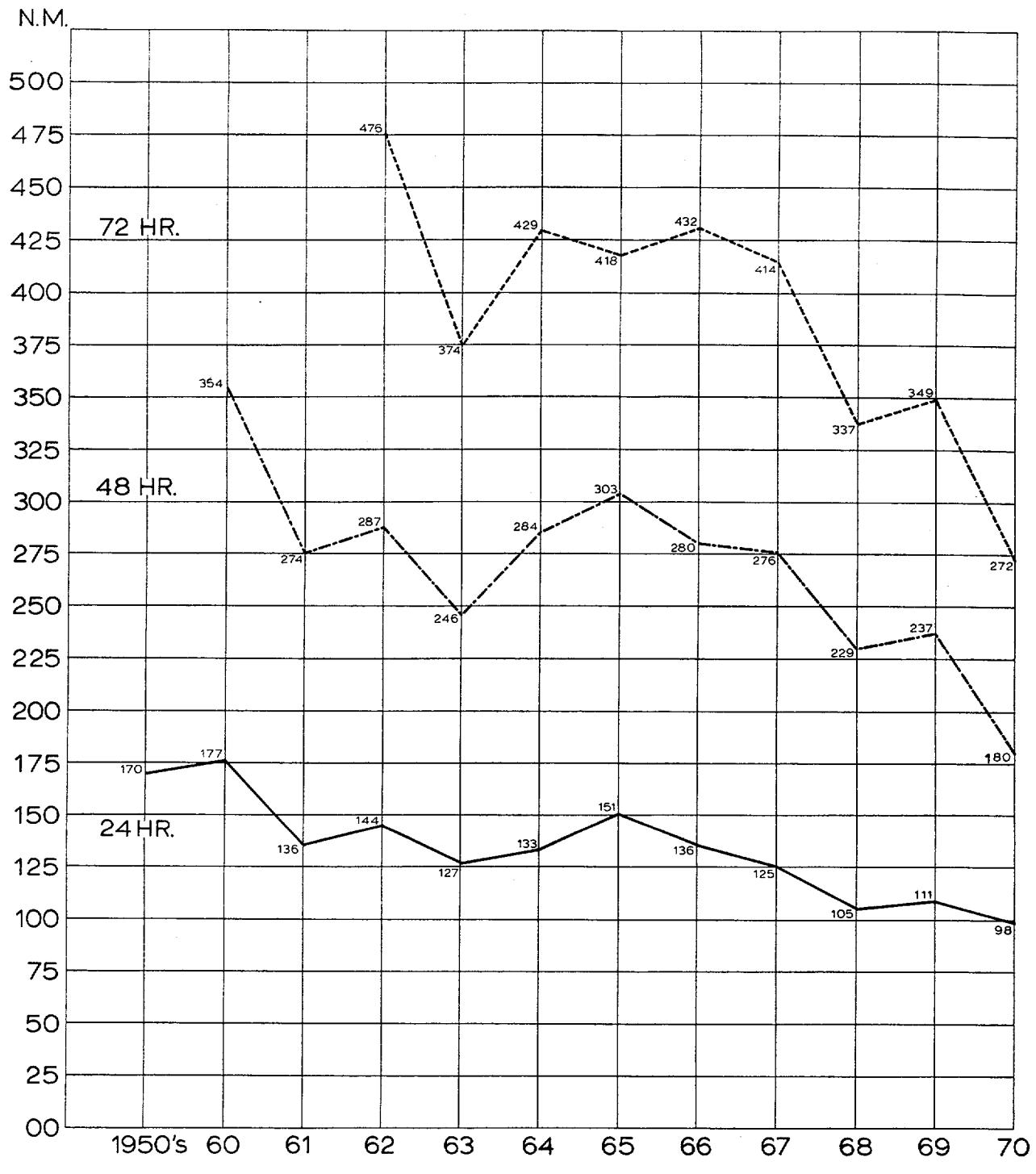


FIGURE 4-1

JOINT TYPHOON WARNING CENTER ERROR SUMMARY

(Average errors are given in nautical miles)

| CYCLONE | WRNG POSIT ERROR | # WRNGS | 24 HR | | | 48 HR | | | 72 HR | | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|---------|------------|----------------|---------|------------|----------------|---------|------------|----------------|---------|
| | | | FCST ERROR | RT ANGLE ERROR | # CASES | FCST ERROR | RT ANGLE ERROR | # CASES | FCST ERROR | RT ANGLE ERROR | # CASES |
| 1. T. NANCY | 14 | 31 | 85 | 67 | 27 | 190 | 128 | 23 | 322 | 166 | 10 |
| 2. T. OLGA | 14 | 29 | 88 | 62 | 25 | 139 | 88 | 20 | 312 | 232 | 8 |
| 3. T.S. PAMELA | 22 | 6 | 165 | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 4. T.S. RUBY | 31 | 18 | 124 | -- | 14 | 331 | -- | 6 | 228 | -- | 1 |
| 5. T.S. SALLY | 24 | 9 | 182 | -- | 5 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 6. T.D. | 24 | 13 | 99 | -- | 8 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 7. T.D. | 10 | 5 | 276 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 8. T.S. THERESE | 37 | 5 | 72 | -- | 1 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 9. T.S. VIOLET | 12 | 14 | 84 | -- | 10 | 217 | -- | 5 | -- | -- | -- |
| 10. T. WILDA | 18 | 27 | 146 | 77 | 23 | 290 | 243 | 18 | 512 | 446 | 7 |
| 11. T. ANITA | 19 | 26 | 100 | 41 | 22 | 202 | 88 | 16 | 323 | 136 | 6 |
| 12. T. BILLIE | 16 | 34 | 85 | 62 | 30 | 169 | 151 | 22 | 315 | 232 | 9 |
| 13. T. CLARA | 20 | 34 | 154 | 100 | 29 | 249 | 179 | 6 | 432 | 400 | 1 |
| 14. H. DOT | (CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15. T.S. ELLEN | 16 | 9 | 214 | -- | 4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 16. T.S. FRAN | 25 | 15 | (269) | -- | 8 | 454 | -- | 6 | 438 | -- | 2 |
| 17. T. GEORGIA | 15 | 26 | 69 | 43 | 22 | 114 | 82 | 17 | 116 | 85 | 6 |
| 18. T. HOPE | 16 | 37 | 101 | 85 | 32 | 204 | 167 | 24 | 242 | 185 | 9 |
| 19. T. IRIS | 15 | 18 | 90 | 50 | 14 | 251 | 89 | 7 | 306 | 290 | 1 |
| 20. T.D. | 30 | 4 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 21. T. JOAN | 20 | 34 | 99 | 56 | 30 | 168 | 103 | 26 | 151 | 67 | 10 |
| 22. T. KATE | 14 | 42 | 88 | 53 | 38 | 192 | 119 | 34 | 284 | 182 | 15 |
| 23. T.S. LOUISE | 13 | 9 | 54 | -- | 3 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 24. T.S. MARGE | 16 | 32 | 100 | -- | 24 | 202 | -- | 10 | 256 | -- | 4 |
| 25. T.S. NORA | 16 | 6 | 48 | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- |
| 26. T.S. OPAL | 10 | 14 | 81 | -- | 10 | 194 | -- | 5 | -- | -- | -- |
| 27. T. PATSY | 22 | 33 | (61) | 38 | 27 | 101 | 41 | 23 | 166 | 53 | 10 |
| 28. T.S. RUTH | 26 | 3 | 66 | -- | 2 | 150 | -- | 2 | -- | -- | -- |
| ALL FORECASTS | 17.7 | 533 | 104 | -- | 413 | 190 | -- | 270 | 279 | -- | 99 |
| TYPHOONS | 17.0 | 371 | 98 | 63 | 314 | 181 | 121 | 232 | 272 | 177 | 89 |

TABLE 4-8

LATITUDE STRATIFICATION OF 1970
FORECAST ERRORS

| | <u>CASES</u> | <u>MEAN ERROR (N.M.)</u> |
|----------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| <u>24 Hour</u> | | |
| Whole Sample | 314 | 98 |
| Below 20N | 158 | 84 |
| 20N-30N | 84 | 88 |
| Below 30N | 242 | 85 |
| Above 30N | 72 | 139 |
| <u>48 Hour</u> | | |
| Whole Sample | 232 | 181 |
| Below 20N | 119 | 157 |
| 20N-30N | 69 | 207 |
| Below 30N | 188 | 175 |
| Above 30N | 44 | 206 |
| <u>72 Hour</u> | | |
| Whole Sample | 89 | 272 |
| Below 20N | 46 | 221 |
| 20N-30N | 24 | 306 |
| Below 30N | 70 | 250 |
| Above 30N | 19 | 352 |

TABLE 4-9

INDIVIDUAL TYPHOONS
OF 1970
24 HOUR VERIFICATION ERROR

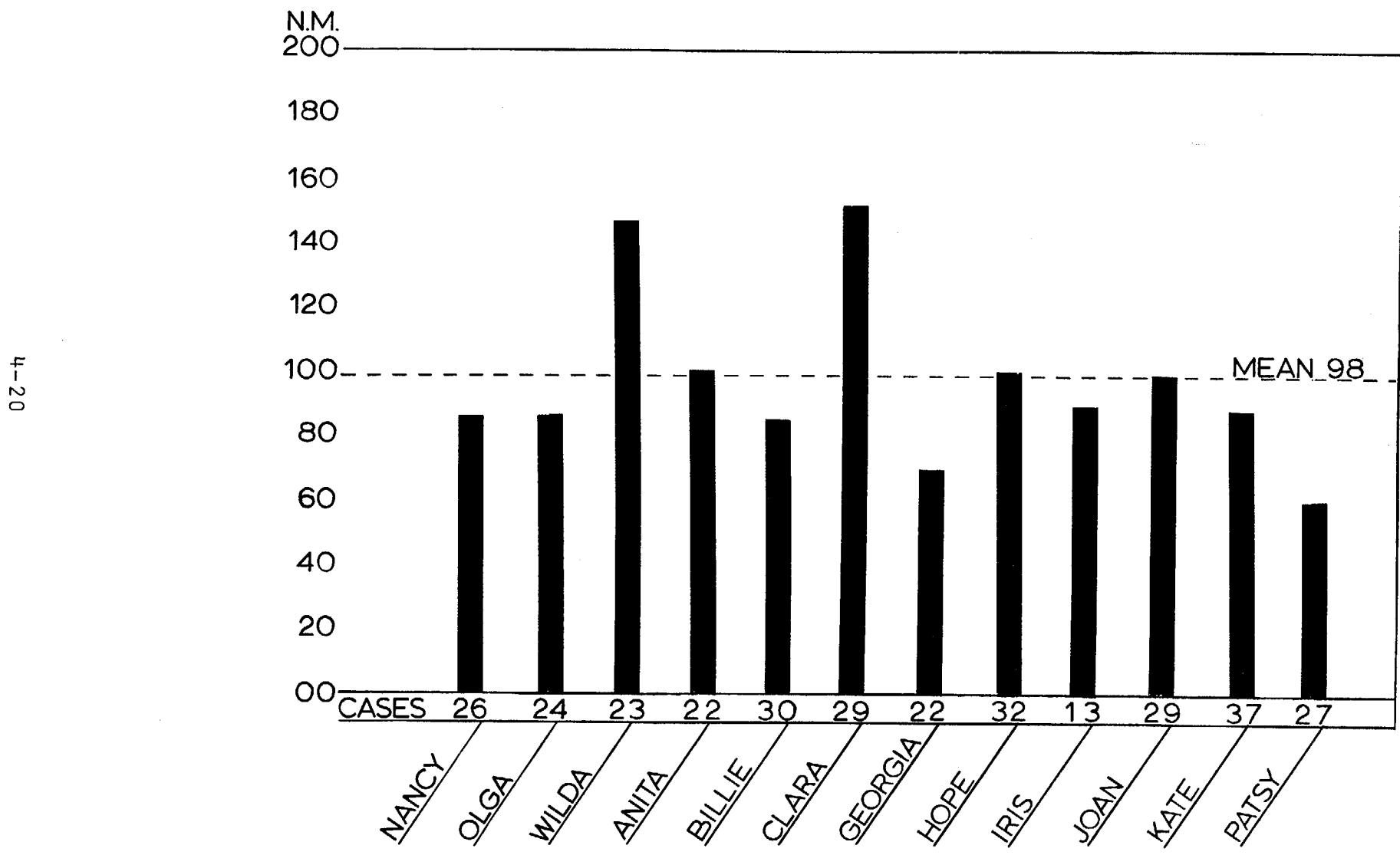


FIGURE 4-2

RIGHT ANGLE ERROR

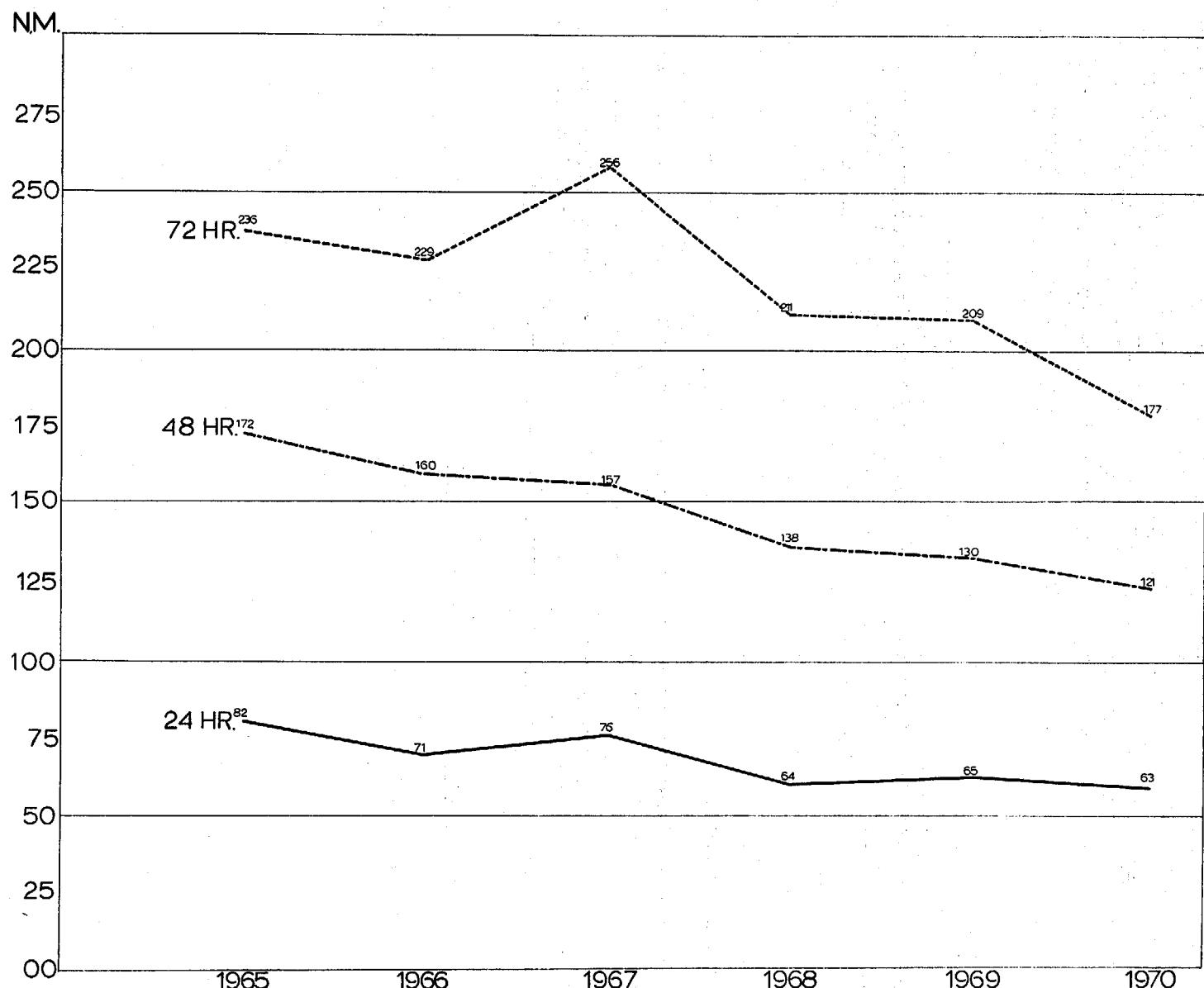


FIGURE 4-3

CONFIDENCE FORECASTING

Confidence forecasts were authorized for use during 1970. When a 24 hour vector error of over 130 miles was anticipated, a remark to this effect was included in the warning. The background and development of this method of confidence forecasting is covered in the 1969 Annual Typhoon Report (FWC/JTWC, 1969). It is felt that the use of this method of providing the user a feel for the forecaster's confidence in a particular forecast was quite useful and meaningful. Confidence statements were used 41 times during the year. Of those that verified, 25 or 68% verified with 24 hour errors over 130 miles. During the experimental stage of using this technique in 1969 (FWC/JTWC, 1969), only 47% verified. It may be that through experience and concentration, skill in recognizing the large error situations is improved.

A graphic evaluation of the results of using confidence forecasts during 1970 is contained in Figure 4-4. This graph portrays comparative cumulative percentage curves of the resultant average vector errors for normal forecasts vs. low confidence forecasts. The percentile error values for the low confidence forecasts are nearly twice those of average forecasts. Obviously all large error forecasts cannot be recognized but the data indicate that when one is recognized it is wise to include a larger margin of error in disaster preparedness planning or evasionary tactics.

These confidence forecasts will continue to be issued during 1971. Attempt will be made in-house during 1971 to refine and expand confidence forecasting in order to make them ever more meaningful and applicable to the 48 and 72 hour extended outlooks also.

A COMPARISON OF
CUMULATIVE ERROR DISTRIBUTIONS
OF ALL 1968-1970 24-HR FORECASTS
TO 1970 LOW CONFIDENCE FORECASTS

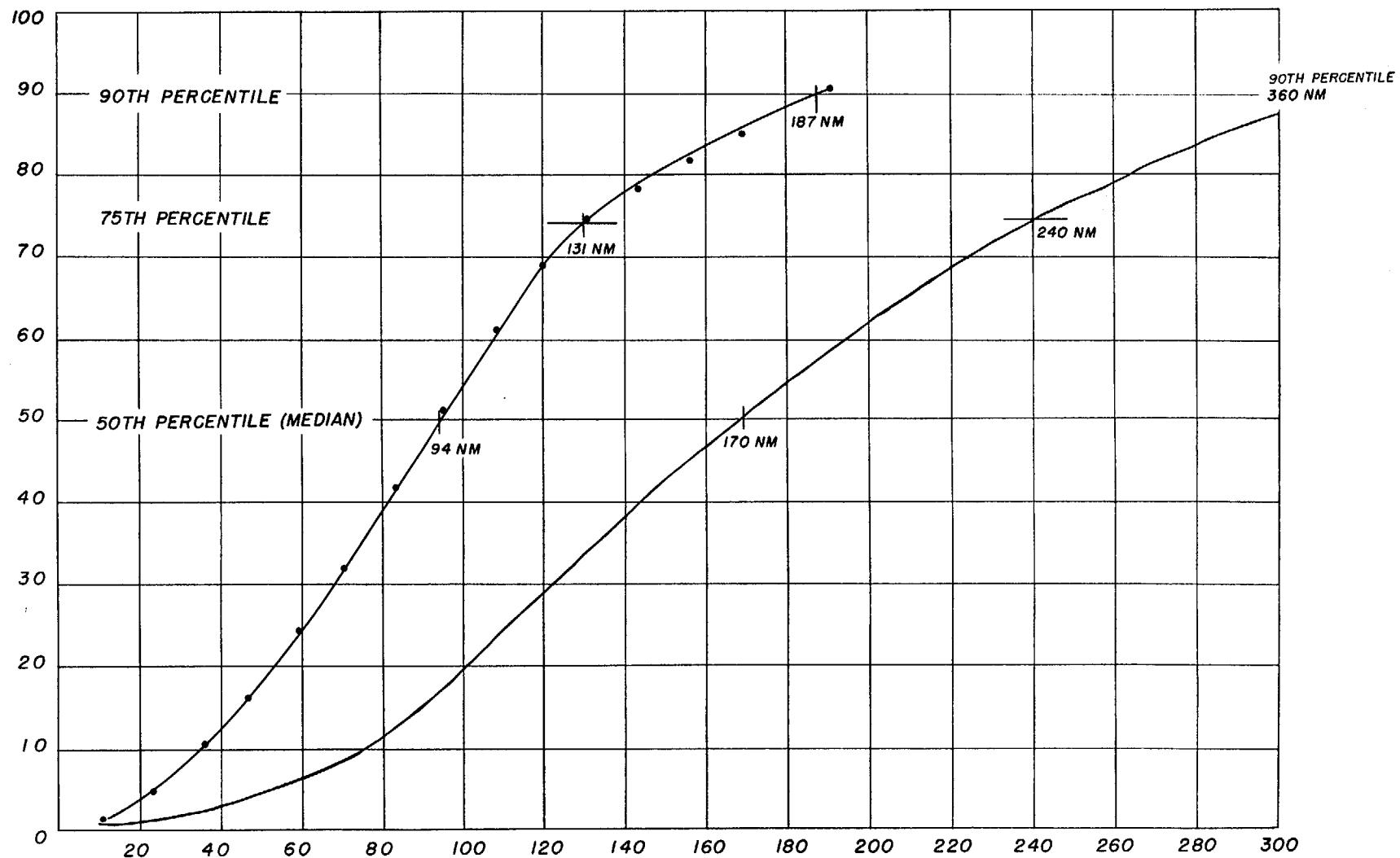


FIGURE 4-4

SUMMARY OF TROPICAL CYCLONE FORMATION ALERTS 1970

Early in 1970 CINCPAC authorized the use of the Tropical Cyclone Formation Alert message. This new message enabled JTWC to provide a form of warning in those situations in which significant tropical cyclone development was possible, but had not already taken place based on observational evidence.

During 1970 there were 32 tropical disturbances for which formation alerts were issued (Hurricane Dot excluded.) The total number of alerts, including extensions, was 57.

In summary,

1. Alerts were issued for 18 out of 27 numbered tropical cyclones.
 - a. Nine were superceded by tropical depression warnings.
 - b. Nine were superceded by tropical storm warnings.
2. Out of the 32 alert systems, 18 or 56% developed into tropical cyclones.*
3. Alerts by months.

| J | F | M | A | M | J | J | A | S | O | N | D |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 1 |

*Typhoon Patsy and Tropical Storm Ruth each had two series of alerts issued prior to the initial tropical cyclone warning.

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CHAPTER 5

INDIVIDUAL TYPHOONS OF 1970

NOTE. See last page of this chapter for definition of units and terms appearing herein.

A. TYPHOON NANCY 19 FEB 2300Z-27 FEB 1100Z*

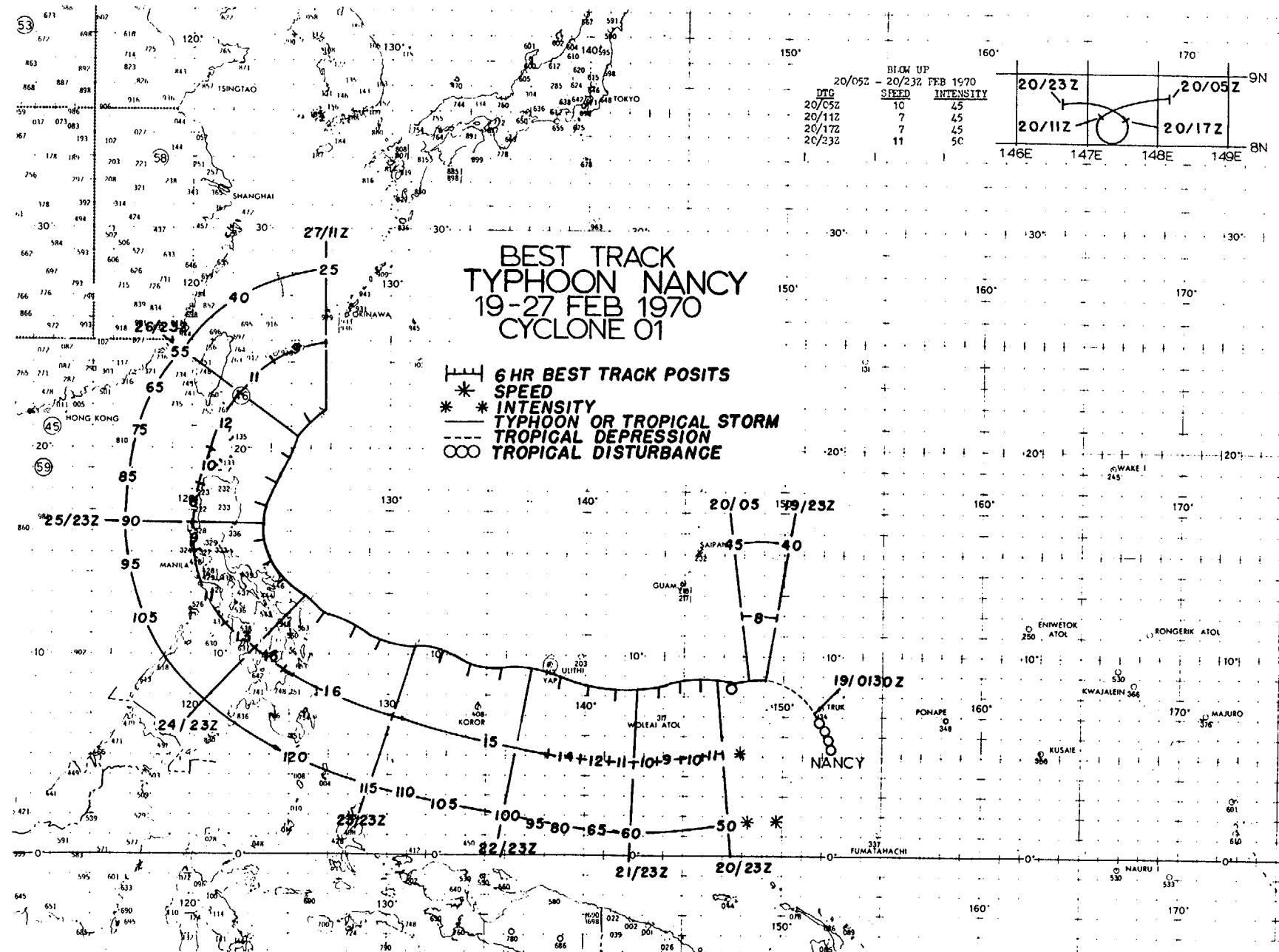
1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 31
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 19
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,148 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 949 MBS at 24/0900Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2606 M at 24/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 120 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 400 MI

*Time of First and Last Warning Issued (Followed throughout Chapter 5.)



3. TYPHOON NANCY NARRATIVE

On the 18th of February a mass of increased convective activity showing signs of organization was noted south of the Central Carolines by the ESSA-8 Satellite. A recon aircraft was dispatched to the area the following day finding a weak circulation with a 1004 mb central pressure and thus the birth of Nancy was detected just south of Truk Island.

For several days prior to the 18th, satellite pictures had shown active ITCZ cloudiness in the region between the Central Carolines and the equator. During this period a front advanced into the tropics, producing a tightening pressure gradient across the Caroline chain and increasing the horizontal shear. It is believed that this increase provided the impetus for development of a weak perturbation located in the intertropical trough. This situation is similar to events described by Fett (1968) for generation of Typhoon Marie in 1966.

The developing Nancy drifted northwestward and reached tropical storm intensity early on the 20th. Swinging on a westerly track at 10 to 12 knots, it passed through the Caroline chain as it reacted to an east-west oriented ridge line to its north. Typhoon intensity was reached mid-day of the 22nd (Figure 5-1), about 100 miles northwest of Woleai Atoll, as Nancy moved from beneath a weak 200 mb trough which had been an inhibiting feature to outflow aloft from the storm.

Development of typhoon strength is unusual for a tropical storm during February. For the past 25 year period of record only one other storm (Irma, 1953) achieved this mark.

The eye of Nancy passed 35 miles south of Yap early the following morning with the island experiencing winds of 60 knots gusting to 69 knots and a barometer reading of 988.4 mb. Fortunately, the wall cloud region did not cross over Yap, as the storm at that time had reached 95 knots in intensity. A reconnaissance aircraft shortly afterward reported a circular eye 25 miles in diameter and a central pressure of 958 mb.

Damage on Yap was estimated to be \$160,000 with no personal casualties. Major damage was caused by heavy sea action and rains resulting in erosion of roads and causeways and damage to crops and homes.

Upon movement into the Philippine Sea at a rate of 15 to 16 knots, the typhoon approached the southwestern periphery of the subtropical ridge and began to slowly change to a more northwesterly course on the 24th some 330 miles east of Leyte.

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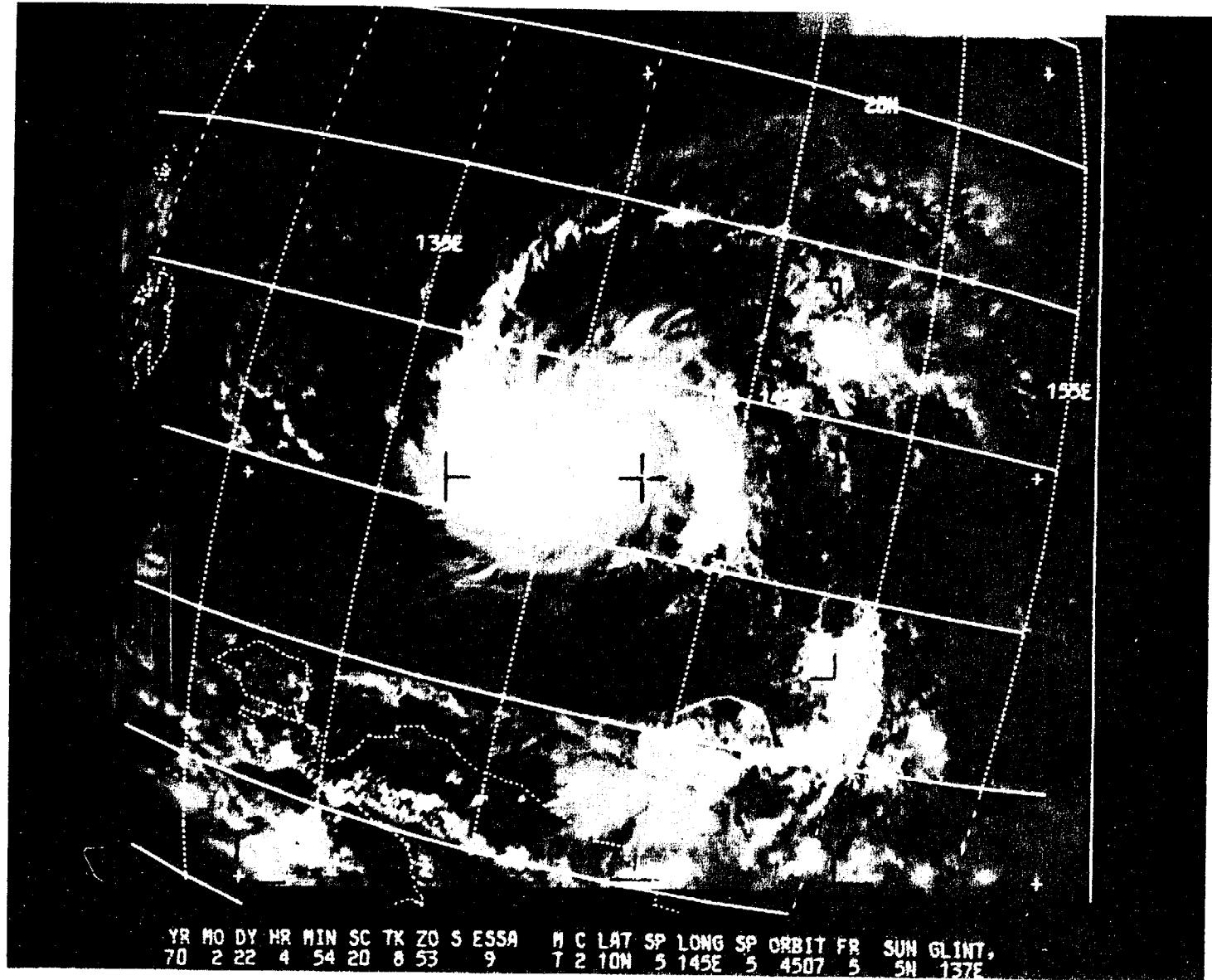


FIGURE 5-1 ESSA 9 VIEW OF NANCY TAKEN ON 22 FEBRUARY SHORTLY AFTER REACHING TYPHOON INTENSITY.

Nancy was near her peak intensity at 120 knots (Figure 5-2) when the American ship Antinous bound from Manila to Guam was caught in her eye shortly before midnight on the 24th about 90 miles east of Samar. The ship's log referred to monstrous confused seas with winds well over 100 knots and wave swell heights over 40 feet. Three large butane tanks on the main deck broke loose and carried away a large portion of the bulwark. A minimum pressure of 953 mb was recorded while in the eye. The barograph track of the Antinous is reproduced in Figure 5-3.

As the typhoon commenced to recurve, her track brought the edge of the eye over Catanduanes Island on the afternoon of the 25th. The U. S. Coast Guard loran station on the island recorded a maximum wind of 120 knots before the wind indicating equipment jammed. A duplicate of the Antinous' minimum pressure of 953 mb was logged by the station's barometer while in the eye.

Paralleling the Luzon coast some 100 miles offshore, Nancy began to slowly weaken as she approached the westerlies. Turning on a northeast course she decreased to tropical storm strength on the 26th. Becoming extratropical she was absorbed into a frontal zone late on the 27th some 240 miles southeast of Okinawa.

Property damage on the Philippine islands of Catanduanes and Samar was estimated near a million dollars (U.S.) with about 5,000 families rendered homeless.

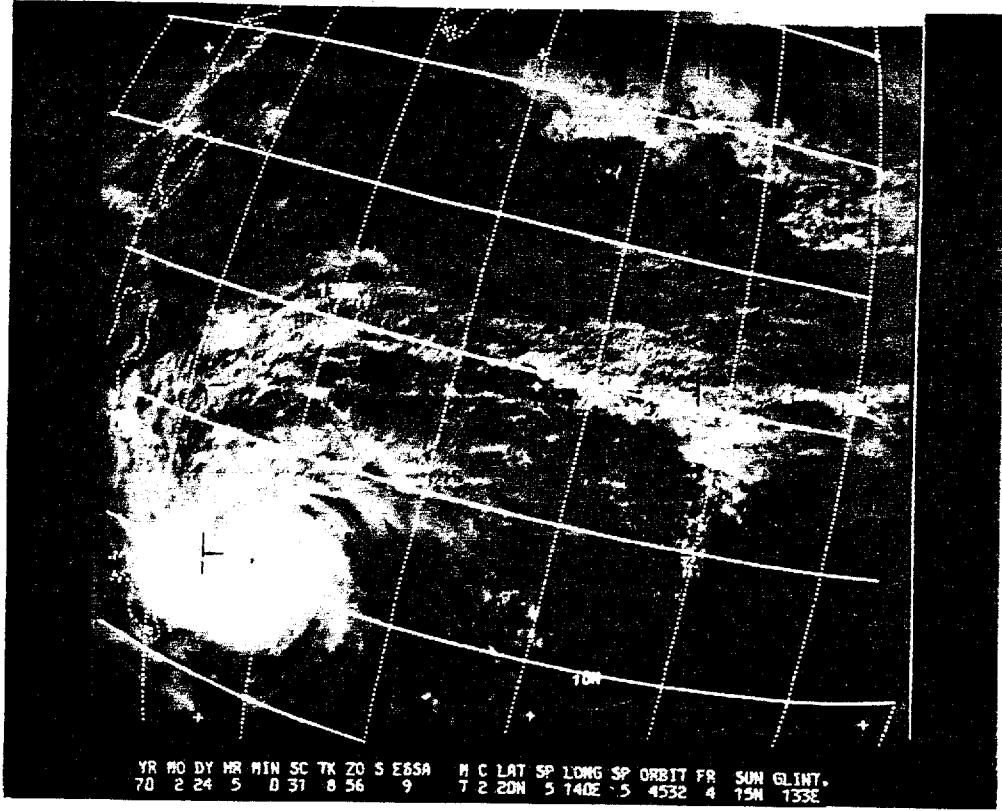


FIGURE 5-2 ESSA 9 PHOTO OF NANCY TAKEN ON 24 FEBRUARY NEAR ITS PEAK STRENGTH 120 KTS

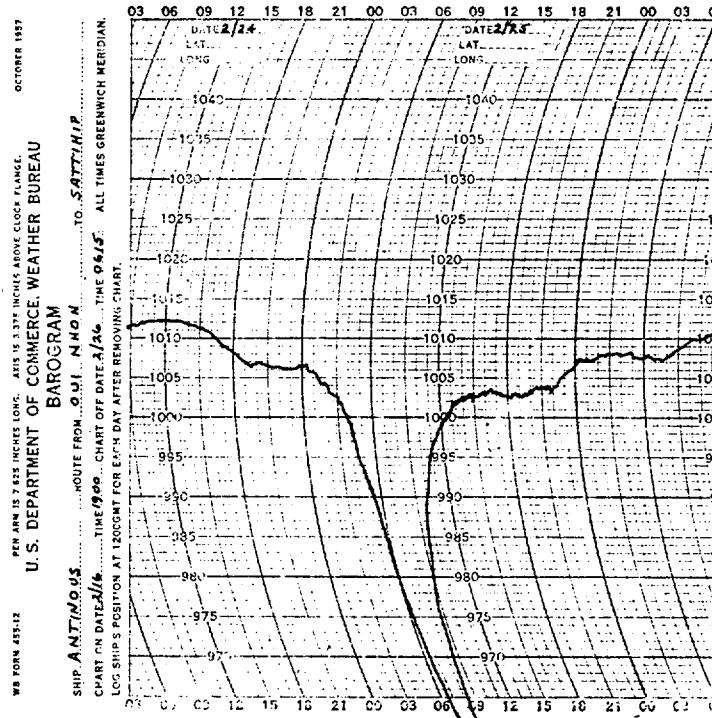


FIGURE 5-3 REPRODUCTION OF BAROGRAPH TRACE FROM THE SS ANTINOUS DURING ENCOUNTER WITH TYPHOON NANCY. TRACE WOULD HAVE BEEN LOWER BUT NEEDLE RESTING ON BASE. SHIP'S BAROMETER REACHED 28.06 IN. (953 MB) WHILE IN NANCY'S EYE.

TYPHOON NANCY

EYE FIXES CYCLONE

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSTI | UNIT- METHOD -ACCY | FLT | 01 | | MIN | FLT | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER |
|------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| | | | | | LVL | SLP | | | | | |
| 1 | 190354Z | 09.5N 152.0E | SLTLS | STG B | DIA | -- | CAT - | | | | |
| 2 | 192300Z | 08.6N 149.1E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 060 | 095 | 986 | 3011 | 18/-- | --- | |
| 3 | 200300Z | 08.7N 148.6E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 065 | 065 | 986 | 2996 | 16/12 | --- | |
| 4 | 200452Z | 09.0N 147.5E | SLTLS | STG C | DIA | -- | CAT - | | | | |
| 5 | 200900Z | 08.6N 147.5E | VW-P-03--- | 0290M | 035 | 035 | 990 | --- | 26/25 | --- | |
| 6 | 201500Z | 08.3N 147.4E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | 050 | 045 | 987 | 3048 | 26/26 | --- | |
| 7 | 202045Z | 08.6N 147.1E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 070 | 045 | 992 | 3027 | 13/12 | --- | |
| 8 | 210230Z | 08.5N 146.0E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 040 | 050 | 989 | 3005 | 12/11 | --- | |
| 9 | 210356Z | 08.6N 145.0E | SLTLS | STG C | DIA | -- | CAT - | | | | |
| 10 | 210851Z | 08.6N 145.1E | VW-P-05--- | 0290M | -- | 050 | 984 | --- | 28/23 | --- | |
| 11 | 211445Z | 08.4N 144.3E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | 040 | -- | -- | 3008 | 16/13 | --- | |
| 12 | 212100Z | 08.1N 143.1E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 047 | 030 | 980 | 2938 | 16/12 | --- | |
| 13 | 220330Z | 08.1N 141.8E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 046 | 060 | 978 | 2890 | 15/12 | --- | |
| 14 | 220454Z | 08.5N 141.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA | 02 | CAT 2 | | | | |
| 15 | 220830Z | 08.2N 140.5E | VW-P-05--- | 4500M | -- | 110 | 972 | --- | 25/24 | CIRC | ---- |
| 16 | 221200Z | 08.6N 139.9E | VW-P-04--- | 4600M | 040 | -- | -- | --- | 25/24 | CIRC | 44 |
| 17 | 221514Z | 08.7N 139.0E | VW-P-05--- | 2590M | -- | 125 | 967 | --- | 27/26 | ELIP | 42 |
| 18 | 222045Z | 09.1N 137.7E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 065 | -- | 958 | 2752 | 23/12 | CIRC | ---- |
| 19 | 230225Z | 09.2N 136.1E | 54-P-08--- | 700MB | 085 | 100 | 963 | 2786 | 22/12 | CIRC | 25 |
| 20 | 230553Z | 09.5N 135.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA | 03 | CAT 4 | | | | 10NM THK |
| 21 | 230851Z | 09.2N 135.1E | VW-P-05--- | 2440M | -- | 120 | 959 | --- | 26/24 | ELIP | OPEN NE |
| 22 | 231205Z | 09.3N 134.6E | VW-P-15--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --- | 26/24 | CIRC | 10NM THK, OPEN N |
| 23 | 231647Z | 10.2N 132.7E | VW-P-10--- | 2380M | -- | 130 | 955 | --- | 28/24 | ELIP | ---- |
| 24 | 232100Z | 10.1N 131.8E | 54-P-10--- | 700MB | 098 | -- | 950 | 2670 | 22/11 | ELIP | NW-SE |
| 25 | 240230Z | 10.4N 130.1E | 54-P-10--- | 700MB | 100 | 120 | 953 | 2707 | 22/13 | ELIP | NE-SW |
| 26 | 240501Z | 10.5N 129.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA | 03 | CAT 4 | | | CIRC | 38X30 |
| 27 | 240900Z | 11.2N 128.6E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | -- | 130 | 949 | 2758 | 26/22 | CIRC | 50NM THK-NW |
| 28 | 241430Z | 11.7N 127.0E | VW-P-02--- | 700MB | -- | -- | 953 | 2664 | 19/13 | CIRC | 28 |
| 29 | 242100Z | 12.5N 126.2E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | -- | -- | -- | 2606 | 18/12 | CIRC | 22 |
| 30 | 250300Z | 13.5N 125.2E | 54-P-10--- | 500MB | 090 | -- | 952 | --- | 05/7 | CIRC | 23 |
| 31 | 250528Z | 13.7N 124.5E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | -- | -- | -- | 2752 | 16/14 | ELIP | 7NM THK, OPEN E |
| 32 | 250559Z | 14.0N 124.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA | 03 | CAT 4 | | | N-S | 36X-- |
| 33 | 250925Z | 14.3N 124.1E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | -- | -- | 953 | 2682 | 18/13 | CIRC | CLSD, 15NM THK |
| 34 | 251445Z | 15.0N 123.9E | VW-P-02--- | 700MB | 102 | -- | 970 | 2679 | 20/14 | CIRC | 14NM THK |
| 35 | 252100Z | 15.8N 123.7E | 54-P-02--- | 500MB | -- | -- | -- | 2682 | 04/52 | CIRC | 12NM THK |
| 36 | 260215Z | 16.8N 123.8E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | -- | 080 | -- | 2713 | 18/12 | CIRC | 8NM THK, OPEN SE |
| 37 | 260303Z | 17.0N 123.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA | 03 | CAT 4 | | | CIRC | 20 |
| 38 | 260915Z | 18.1N 124.0E | VW-P-05--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --- | 26/23 | CIRC | 8NM THK |
| 39 | 261407Z | 19.0N 124.6E | VW-P-05--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --- | 36 | CIRC | OPEN SW-WSW |
| 40 | 262100Z | 20.3N 125.1E | 54-P-10--- | 700MB | 035 | -- | 992 | 3015 | 26/23 | CIRC | WK W/C |
| 41 | 270000Z | 20.5N 125.3E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 045 | -- | 992 | 3042 | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 42 | 270210Z | 20.6N 125.2E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 038 | -- | 000 | 3045 | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 43 | 271912Z | 21.5N 126.3E | VW-P-10--- | 0260M | -- | 025 | 001 | --- | 26/23 | --- | --- |

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TROPICAL CYCLONE 01 -- 2/19/2300Z TO 2/27/1100Z
 POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT LAT | WARNING POSIT LONG | BEST TRACK LAT | BEST TRACK LONG | 24 HR FCST LAT | 24 HR FCST LONG | 24 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 48 HR FCST LAT | 48 HR FCST LONG | 48 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 72 HR FCST LAT | 72 HR FCST LONG | 72 HR ERROR DEG DIST |
|----------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 01 | 19/2300Z | 8.6N | 149.1E | 8.6N | 149.1E | 10.3N | 146.2E | 346-0102 | 11.9N | 143.3E | 008-0228 | 13.5N | 140.3E | 035-0312 |
| 02 | 20/0500Z | 8.8N | 148.4E | 8.7N | 148.2E | 10.6N | 145.4E | 354-0120 | 12.3N | 142.4E | 012-0246 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 20/1100Z | 8.9N | 147.3E | 8.4N | 147.2E | 9.8N | 143.8E | 325-0090 | 10.7N | 140.4E | 005-0138 | 11.6N | 137.0E | 051-0204 |
| 04 | 20/1700Z | 8.4N | 147.2E | 8.4N | 147.6E | 8.7N | 144.5E | 057-0042 | 8.8N | 141.8E | 090-0180 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 20/2300Z | 8.6N | 146.8E | 8.6N | 146.7E | 8.8N | 144.8E | 071-0126 | 8.9N | 142.8E | 093-0330 | 9.0N | 140.8E | 097-0564 |
| 06 | 21/0500Z | 8.5N | 145.7E | 8.6N | 145.7E | 8.5N | 142.3E | 067-0042 | 8.5N | 139.0E | 102-0192 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
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| 08 | 21/1700Z | 8.5N | 144.0E | 8.3N | 143.8E | 8.5N | 140.2E | 102-0084 | 8.5N | 136.2E | 115-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 21/2300Z | 8.1N | 142.7E | 8.1N | 142.7E | 7.4N | 137.5E | 173-0108 | 7.1N | 132.3E | 162-0192 | 7.6N | 128.0E | 158-0336 |
| 10 | 22/0500Z | 8.0N | 141.5E | 8.2N | 141.5E | 7.3N | 136.4E | 162-0114 | 7.1N | 131.2E | 156-0228 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 22/1100Z | 8.1N | 140.0E | 8.4N | 140.1E | 8.1N | 134.1E | 180-0078 | 8.1N | 128.4E | 176-0192 | 8.8N | 123.7E | 184-0342 |
| 12 | 22/1700Z | 8.8N | 138.5E | 8.8N | 138.7E | 9.0N | 133.1E | 169-0066 | 9.0N | 127.4E | 170-0174 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 22/2300Z | 9.2N | 137.1E | 9.2N | 137.2E | 11.0N | 131.3E | 008-0048 | 12.7N | 125.9E | 134-0006 | 15.3N | 121.8E | 244-0120 |
| 14 | 23/0500Z | 9.5N | 135.4E | 9.2N | 135.7E | 10.9N | 129.4E | 341-0018 | 12.6N | 124.2E | 202-0060 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 23/1100Z | 9.3N | 134.6E | 9.4N | 134.2E | 9.8N | 129.8E | 134-0126 | 11.1N | 125.5E | 159-0216 | 13.1N | 122.0E | 202-0336 |
| 16 | 23/1700Z | 10.2N | 132.4E | 10.1N | 132.8E | 11.7N | 127.1E | 134-0012 | 14.2N | 122.7E | 220-0090 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 23/2300Z | 10.3N | 131.3E | 10.2N | 131.2E | 11.5N | 126.4E | 158-0078 | 13.7N | 122.6E | 202-0156 | 16.8N | 120.0E | 234-0360 |
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| 20 | 24/1700Z | 11.9N | 126.5E | 11.9N | 126.8E | 14.5N | 121.7E | 246-0126 | 18.4N | 119.9E | 258-0282 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
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| 23 | 25/1100Z | 14.5N | 123.9E | 14.5N | 124.1E | 18.4N | 122.4E | 273-0102 | 22.0N | 124.8E | ----- | 25.2N | 130.2E | ----- |
| 24 | 25/1700Z | 15.3N | 123.5E | 15.4N | 123.8E | 19.1N | 122.7E | 262-0114 | 22.9N | 126.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 25/2300Z | 16.1N | 123.4E | 16.2N | 123.7E | 19.3N | 123.0E | 242-0132 | 23.0N | 126.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 26/0500Z | 17.2N | 123.7E | 17.2N | 123.8E | 20.9N | 124.5E | 261-0072 | 24.2N | 129.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 26/1100Z | 18.4N | 123.9E | 18.3N | 124.2E | 22.9N | 127.1E | ----- | 26.5N | 133.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 26/1700Z | 19.6N | 124.7E | 19.4N | 124.8E | 22.9N | 128.9E | ----- | 26.3N | 135.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 26/2300Z | 20.6N | 125.4E | 20.4N | 125.2E | 23.9N | 129.9E | ----- | 26.7N | 137.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 27/0500Z | 20.8N | 125.4E | 21.1N | 125.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 31 | 27/1100Z | 21.7N | 126.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

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 AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0190 MI.
 AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0322 MI.

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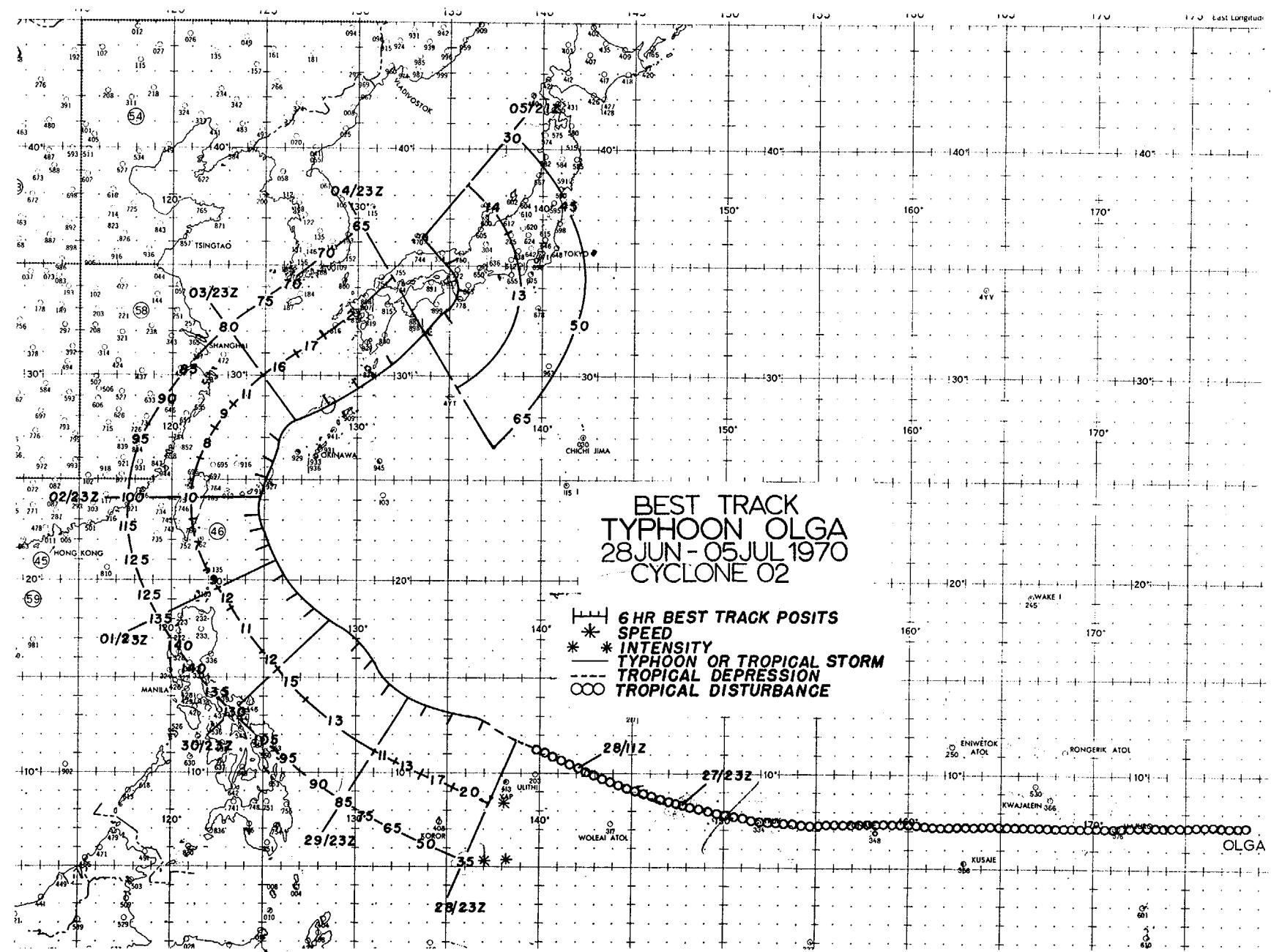
B. TYPHOON OLGA 28 JUN 2300Z-05 JUL 2300Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 29
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 22
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,382 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 904 MBS at 01/2118Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2268 M at 01/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 140 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 360 MI



3. TYPHOON OLGA NARRATIVE

After a four month lull of tropical cyclone activity, the subtropical ridge began to build in mid-June producing a broad flow of easterlies in the tropics south of 25°N and increasing tropical wave frequency.

The pre-Olga system was first noted by a wave passage at Majuro in the Marshall Island group on the 24th. Signs of a developing disturbance were detected as satellite pictures from ESSA-8 and ITOS-1 on the 26th showed considerable convective activity and evidence of banding as the wave reached the Truk-Ponape vicinity in the Central Carolines.

A tight pressure gradient existed south of the ridge line causing strong easterlies and a westward movement of the pre-Olga system in excess of 20 knots. This rate of forward speed apparently inhibited the establishment of a circulation at the surface until the system was southwest of Guam early on the 29th. Reconnaissance detected a closed center at first light just north of Ulithi Island with maximum winds of 35-40 knots (Figure 5-4).

The newly-developed storm assumed a northwest course upon entrance into the Philippine Sea as weakening occurred along the subtropical ridge line in the vicinity of the Ryukyu Islands. On this track, Olga was in a favorable region for further intensification as she approached difluent flow aloft associated with a 200 mb anticyclone south of the Ryukyu chain. The forward speed of the storm decreased to 13 knots and Olga reached typhoon strength by evening on the 29th and within 36 hours became the season's first super typhoon.

Deepening had occurred at a rapid rate during this period culminating in a 904 mb central pressure on July 1st when Olga was 300 miles due east of the northeastern tip of Luzon. This reduction of pressure represented an explosive deepening of 62 mb in 24 hours. Winds generated under the wall cloud region, surrounding a tight 6 mile diameter eye, were estimated near 140 knots at this point (Figure 5-5). The building of heights and establishment of a high cell in the vicinity of Iwo Jima created a relative weakness in the ridge line near the 125th meridian while Olga was reaching her maximum intensity. The storm reacted to this opened avenue by gradually shifting course northward on the 1st.

A short wave in the westerlies was nearing the Asian coast as the typhoon passed between Taiwan and Okinawa the following day. In response to the approach of the short wave, the typhoon took a sharp turn to the northeast while passing 100 miles abeam of Okinawa, and began to accelerate in forward

speed reaching 21 knots south of Kyushu some 12 hours later. A developing low in the short wave system moving into the Sea of Japan brought its influence on the scene by slowing and deflecting the storm's course to the northwest. The weakening Olga arrived ashore on Honshu's Kii Peninsula south of Osaka on the 5th with winds of tropical storm force.

Highest winds reported during the typhoon's transit through and west of the Ryukyu's occurred at Kume Shima which recorded 90 knots gusting to 110 knots during the early morning hours of the 4th some 50 miles east of the center.

Olga had weakened in strength considerably just before reaching the Ryukyu's early on the 3rd as dry air began to enter the system. The vertical extent of convective activity associated with the storm was markedly shallow during the period it traversed the East China Sea as reconnaissance aircraft were topping the typhoon's cloudiness at 10,000 feet.

Upon crossing Honshu and entering the Sea of Japan, Olga merged with a cold low. Heavy rains attended the system while crossing Japan and later as it drifted over South Korea. The excessive rains (up to 13 inches in Japan) caused landslides and extensive flooding in some areas which was responsible for at least 8 deaths in Japan and 29 deaths in South Korea. Damage was estimated near 10 million dollars in and around Tokyo.

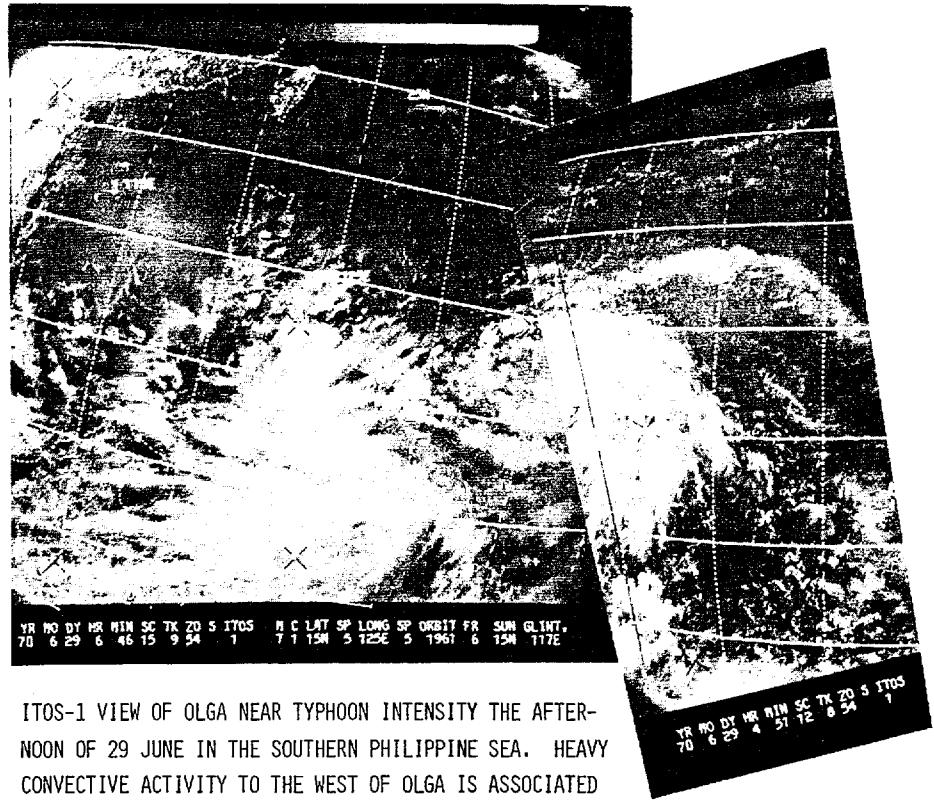


FIGURE 5-4 ITOS-1 VIEW OF OLGA NEAR TYPHOON INTENSITY THE AFTERNOON OF 29 JUNE IN THE SOUTHERN PHILIPPINE SEA. HEAVY CONVECTIVE ACTIVITY TO THE WEST OF OLGA IS ASSOCIATED WITH TROPICAL STORM PAMELA A SHORT DISTANCE EAST OF MINDANAO.

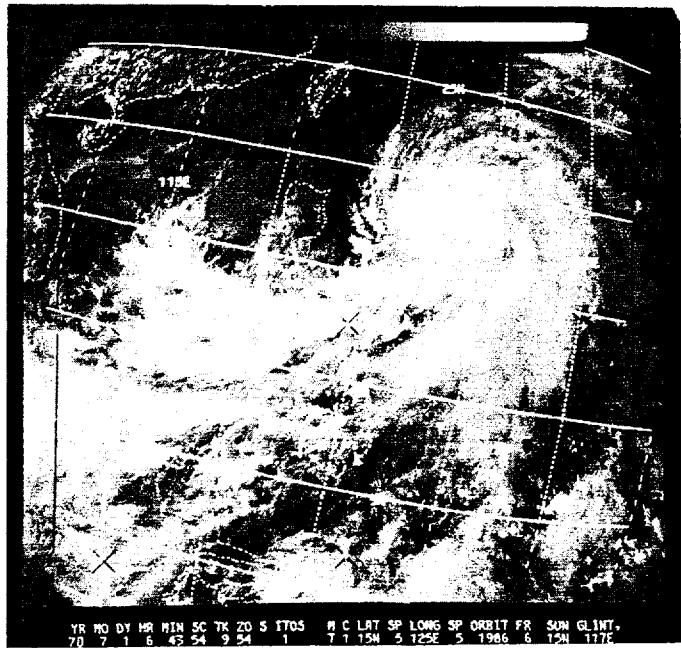


FIGURE 5-5 OLGA ON 1 JULY, OF SUPER TYPHOON INTENSITY LOCATED EAST OF NORTHERN LUZON AS SEEN BY CAMERA'S ABOARD ITOS-1.

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSII | TYPHOON OLGA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|-------|--------|------------------|-----|------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------------------|-------|--|----------------------------|-------|------|---------------------|-------|------------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| | | | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | UN: T- MET:00 | | | FLT LVL WIND | | | JDS SFC VND | | | OHS MIN 700MB HGT | | | FLT LVL TT/TO | | | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
| | | | -ACCY | FLT | LVL | WIND | SFC | VND | SIP | MIN | 700MB | HGT | TT/TO | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 290550Z | 10.0N 145.0E | SLTLS | STG S | OIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 290225Z | 12.5N 137.6E | 54--07--- | 0420M | 045 | 040 | 993 | | | | | | | | | 25/23 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | | | | | |
| 3 | 290646Z | 13.0N 137.0E | SLTLS | STG X | OIA 02 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 290646Z | 13.0N 137.0E | SLTLS | STG X | OIA 02 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 290945Z | 13.0N 135.6E | VW--10--- | 0400M | -- | 050 | -- | | | | | | | | | --/27 | CIRC | ---- | 08 | | | | | |
| 6 | 291457Z | 13.4N 134.3E | VW--10--- | 0200M | 040 | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | ELIP | NE-SW | 16x13 | | | | | |
| 7 | 292040Z | 13.7N 133.3E | 54--15--- | 700MB | 000 | 100 | 966 | 2783 | | 17/11 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 12 | 10NM THK, OPEN NW QUAD | | | | |
| 8 | 300200Z | 14.3N 132.4E | 54-P-15--- | 700MB | 080 | 110 | 964 | 2768 | | 21/11 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 12 | W/C E QUAD, 8NM THK | | | | |
| 9 | 300548Z | 14.5N 131.0E | SLTLS | STG X | OIA 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 300929Z | 15.0N 131.2E | VW--02--- | | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | 24/21 | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | 301211Z | 16.0N 130.9E | VW--03--- | 700MB | 070 | 045 | 978 | 2911 | | 15/09 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 12 | 10NM THK, OPEN NW | | | | |
| 12 | 302100Z | 17.5N 129.1E | 54--03--- | 700MB | 075 | 110 | 929 | 2481 | | 18/10 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 08 | CLSD, 10NM THK | | | | |
| 13 | 010000Z | 17.9N 128.3E | 54--03--- | 700MB | 100 | 150 | 908 | 2301 | | 24/11 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 07 | CLSD, 5NM THK | | | | |
| 14 | 010218Z | 18.2N 128.0E | 54--03--- | 700MB | 120 | 110 | 914 | 2268 | | 24/12 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 06 | CLSD, 7NM THK | | | | |
| 15 | 010644Z | 19.0N 127.5E | SLTLS | STG X | OIA 04 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 010909Z | 19.0N 127.3E | VW--03--- | 0300M | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD, 4NM THK | | | | |
| 17 | 011502Z | 20.2N 126.5E | VW--03--- | 0400M | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 07 | CLSD, 4NM THK | | | | |
| 18 | 012000Z | 20.4N 125.7E | 54--02--- | 700MB | 090 | -- | 920 | 2320 | | 18/10 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 04 | CLSD | | | | |
| 19 | 020015Z | 21.0N 125.6E | 54--02--- | 700MB | 090 | 130 | 915 | 2340 | | 25/13 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 06 | CLSD | | | | |
| 20 | 020300Z | 21.4N 125.4E | 54--02--- | 700MB | 080 | 130 | 920 | 2380 | | 19/15 | | | | | | | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD | | | | |
| 21 | 020550Z | 21.2N 124.9E | SLTLS | STG X | OIA 05 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | 020600Z | 21.9N 125.2E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 23 | 020700Z | 22.0N 125.1E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 24 | 020800Z | 22.1N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 25 | 020855Z | 22.5N 125.1E | VW--25--- | 0080M | 002 | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 09 | CLSD | | | | |
| 26 | 020900Z | 22.1N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 27 | 020900Z | 22.2N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 28 | 021000Z | 22.2N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 29 | 021100Z | 22.4N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 30 | 021200Z | 22.3N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 31 | 021300Z | 22.5N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 32 | 021400Z | 22.8N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 33 | 021500Z | 23.0N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 34 | 021515Z | 22.9N 124.7E | VW--05--- | | 070 | 080 | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 08 | 14NM THK, OPEN W | | | | |
| 35 | 021600Z | 23.0N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 36 | 021710Z | 23.2N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 021800Z | 23.3N 124.8E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 021900Z | 23.6N 124.9E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 39 | 022000Z | 23.6N 124.9E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 40 | 022045Z | 23.6N 124.9E | 54--00--- | 700MB | 075 | 075 | 950 | 2640 | | 18/12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 41 | 022100Z | 23.9N 125.1E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 42 | 030100Z | 24.5N 124.9E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 43 | 030230Z | 24.8N 125.0E | 54--02--- | 700MB | 070 | 125 | 960 | 2728 | | 17/14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 44 | 030300Z | 24.8N 125.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | 030646Z | 24.0N 125.1E | SLTLS | SIG X | OIA 0 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 46 | 030700Z | 25.2N 125.3E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 47 | 030830Z | 25.8N 125.7E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | | | | | | | | |
| 48 | 030900Z | 25.3N 125.5E | VW--03--- | 700MB | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 11 | | | | | |

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| TYPHOON OLGA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|-------|---------|-------|-----|------------|--------------|------------|-------|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Fix No. | Time | PosII | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | 02 | | SFC SLP | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL | TT/TO | Eye Form | Orien- tation | Eye Dia | Character Wall Cloud |
| | | | Unit- Method | FLT | LVL | DBS | ORS | | | | | | | | |
| | | | -ACCY | LVL | WND | WIND | SLP | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | 031030Z | 25.7N 125.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 50 | 031049Z | 25.8N 125.5E | VW--03--- | 700MB | --- | --- | 963 | 2777 | 22/13 | CIRC | --- | 05 | CLSD | ----- | |
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| 53 | 031430Z | 26.0N 125.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 54 | 031508Z | 26.4N 125.7E | VW--02--- | 700MB | --- | --- | --- | --- | 2835 | 25/14 | CIRC | --- | 12 | CLSD | ----- |
| 55 | 031630Z | 25.8N 126.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 56 | 032055Z | 27.3N 126.0E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 065 | 065 | 948 | 3088 | 21/12 | CIRC | --- | 20 | WK W/C SE QUAD | ----- | |
| 57 | 040200Z | 27.9N 127.8E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 060 | 060 | 955 | 2725 | 22/14 | CIRC | --- | --- | APRNT WK W/C SE-W | ----- | |
| 58 | 040547Z | 28.0N 128.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0.3 | CAT 2 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 59 | 040922Z | 29.0N 129.5E | VW--05--- | 700MB | 064 | 075 | --- | 2826 | 21/14 | ---- | ---- | ---- | OPEN N | ----- | |
| 60 | 041300Z | 29.7N 130.9E | VW---- | ---- | --- | --- | --- | 2896 | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 61 | 041430Z | 29.9N 131.1E | VW--05--- | 700MB | 080 | --- | 967 | 2810 | 21/15 | ---- | ---- | ---- | DIFF TO LOCATE EYE ON RDR | ----- | |
| 62 | 041800Z | 30.9N 132.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 63 | 041900Z | 30.9N 132.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 64 | 042000Z | 31.3N 133.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 65 | 042100Z | 31.4N 133.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 66 | 042104Z | 31.6N 133.3E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 065 | 075 | 959 | 2740 | 17/14 | ELIP | N-S | 30X20 | 10NM THK, OPEN N | ----- | |
| 67 | 042200Z | 31.6N 133.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 68 | 042300Z | 31.7N 133.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 69 | 050235Z | 32.3N 134.3E | 54--05--- | --- | 047 | 065 | 953 | --- | 16/14 | ELIP | N-S | 45X30 | 6NM THK, OPEN NE | ----- | |
| 70 | 050449Z | 32.0N 135.1E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0.3 | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- |
| 71 | 050750Z | 33.3N 135.1E | VW--03--- | ---- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 72 | 050800Z | 33.2N 135.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 73 | 050900Z | 33.2N 135.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 74 | 050906Z | 33.4N 135.6E | VW--03--- | ---- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | 3NM THK, OPEN S&W QUAD | ----- |
| 75 | 051200Z | 34.2N 135.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 76 | 051300Z | 34.3N 135.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 77 | 051400Z | 34.4N 135.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 78 | 051600Z | 34.8N 134.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 79 | 051700Z | 35.0N 134.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 80 | 051800Z | 35.6N 134.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 81 | 051900Z | 35.9N 134.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 82 | 052000Z | 35.9N 133.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |
| 83 | 052100Z | 36.1N 133.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ---- | ---- | ---- |

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TROPICAL CYCLONE 02 -- 6/28/2300Z TO 7/5/2300Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST | | 24 HR ERROR | | 48 HR FCST | | 48 HR ERROR | | 72 HR FCST | | 72 HR ERROR | |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|--------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 28/2300Z | 11.5N | 139.3E | 11.7N | 139.1E | 14.0N | 132.6E | 270-0012 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 29/0500Z | 12.9N | 136.9E | 12.7N | 137.0E | 15.7N | 129.2E | 089-0156 | 18.3N | 122.5E | 268-0294 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 29/1100Z | 13.1N | 135.3E | 13.1N | 135.3E | 15.0N | 129.0E | 249-0126 | 17.5N | 123.7E | 239-0204 | 20.3N | 119.2E | 247-0348 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 29/1700Z | 13.7N | 133.7E | 13.5N | 133.9E | 15.7N | 127.3E | 248-0174 | 18.3N | 122.0E | 245-0252 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 29/2300Z | 13.9N | 132.9E | 14.0N | 132.9E | 15.5N | 127.6E | 209-0150 | 17.8N | 123.2E | 217-0228 | 20.8N | 119.2E | 238-0372 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 30/0500Z | 14.3N | 131.9E | 14.8N | 131.8E | 15.9N | 127.2E | 189-0156 | 17.8N | 123.0E | 208-0270 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 30/1100Z | 15.8N | 131.0E | 15.8N | 131.1E | 18.7N | 127.1E | 161-0036 | 20.5N | 122.9E | 224-0174 | 22.7N | 118.9E | 242-0414 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 30/1700Z | 16.9N | 130.3E | 16.8N | 130.2E | 19.1N | 126.0E | 180-0060 | 21.0N | 121.9E | 230-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 30/2300Z | 18.0N | 128.8E | 17.7N | 128.9E | 21.7N | 125.1E | 327-0054 | 25.9N | 125.3E | 007-0102 | 30.2N | 133.0E | 066-0342 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 01/0500Z | 18.5N | 127.5E | 18.5N | 127.7E | 22.2N | 124.5E | 299-0048 | 26.9N | 126.4E | 280-0114 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 01/1100Z | 19.2N | 126.9E | 19.3N | 126.8E | 22.8N | 122.5E | 360-0012 | 26.7N | 126.3E | 041-0054 | 30.7N | 134.1E | 069-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 01/1700Z | 20.6N | 126.2E | 20.1N | 126.1E | 24.8N | 125.5E | 019-0090 | 28.7N | 129.6E | 061-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 01/2300Z | 20.9N | 125.7E | 20.9N | 125.7E | 24.7N | 125.2E | 022-0030 | 28.4N | 128.9E | 070-0102 | 31.5N | 137.1E | 098-0156 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 02/0500Z | 21.7N | 125.3E | 21.8N | 125.3E | 25.2N | 125.5E | 090-0012 | 29.7N | 130.5E | 052-0114 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 02/1100Z | 22.7N | 125.0E | 22.6N | 125.1E | 26.3N | 126.3E | 064-0036 | 30.6N | 132.2E | 054-0120 | 35.2N | 142.5E | 077-0342 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 02/1700Z | 23.1N | 124.9E | 23.3N | 124.9E | 26.3N | 126.3E | 161-0036 | 30.6N | 132.2E | 090-0006 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 02/2300Z | 24.1N | 125.0E | 24.2N | 125.0E | 27.6N | 127.7E | 108-0036 | 31.5N | 134.1E | 165-0024 | 36.2N | 143.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 03/0500Z | 25.1N | 125.1E | 25.2N | 125.3E | 28.8N | 128.0E | 296-0036 | 32.4N | 133.5E | 252-0072 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 03/1100Z | 25.9N | 125.5E | 26.0N | 125.6E | 29.8N | 128.8E | 287-0078 | 35.0N | 134.4E | 317-0084 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 03/1700Z | 26.7N | 126.0E | 26.9N | 126.0E | 30.3N | 129.1E | 264-0150 | 35.5N | 134.8E | 326-0018 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 03/2300Z | 27.6N | 126.2E | 27.8N | 127.0E | 31.0N | 128.4E | 260-0282 | 34.8N | 132.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 04/0500Z | 28.5N | 128.7E | 28.5N | 128.7E | 33.7N | 135.0E | 000-0054 | 39.3N | 144.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 04/1100Z | 29.5N | 130.2E | 29.4N | 130.3E | 34.4N | 137.4E | 071-0084 | 37.0N | 150.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 04/1700Z | 30.3N | 131.8E | 30.6N | 132.1E | 34.5N | 139.6E | 100-0222 | 35.6N | 150.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 04/2300Z | 31.9N | 134.0E | 31.9N | 134.0E | 35.5N | 142.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 05/0500Z | 32.7N | 135.0E | 32.8N | 135.0E | 35.7N | 142.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 05/1100Z | 33.9N | 135.5E | 33.9N | 135.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 05/1700Z | 35.0N | 135.4E | 35.2N | 135.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 05/2300Z | 36.5N | 133.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0088 MI.
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0139 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0312 MI.

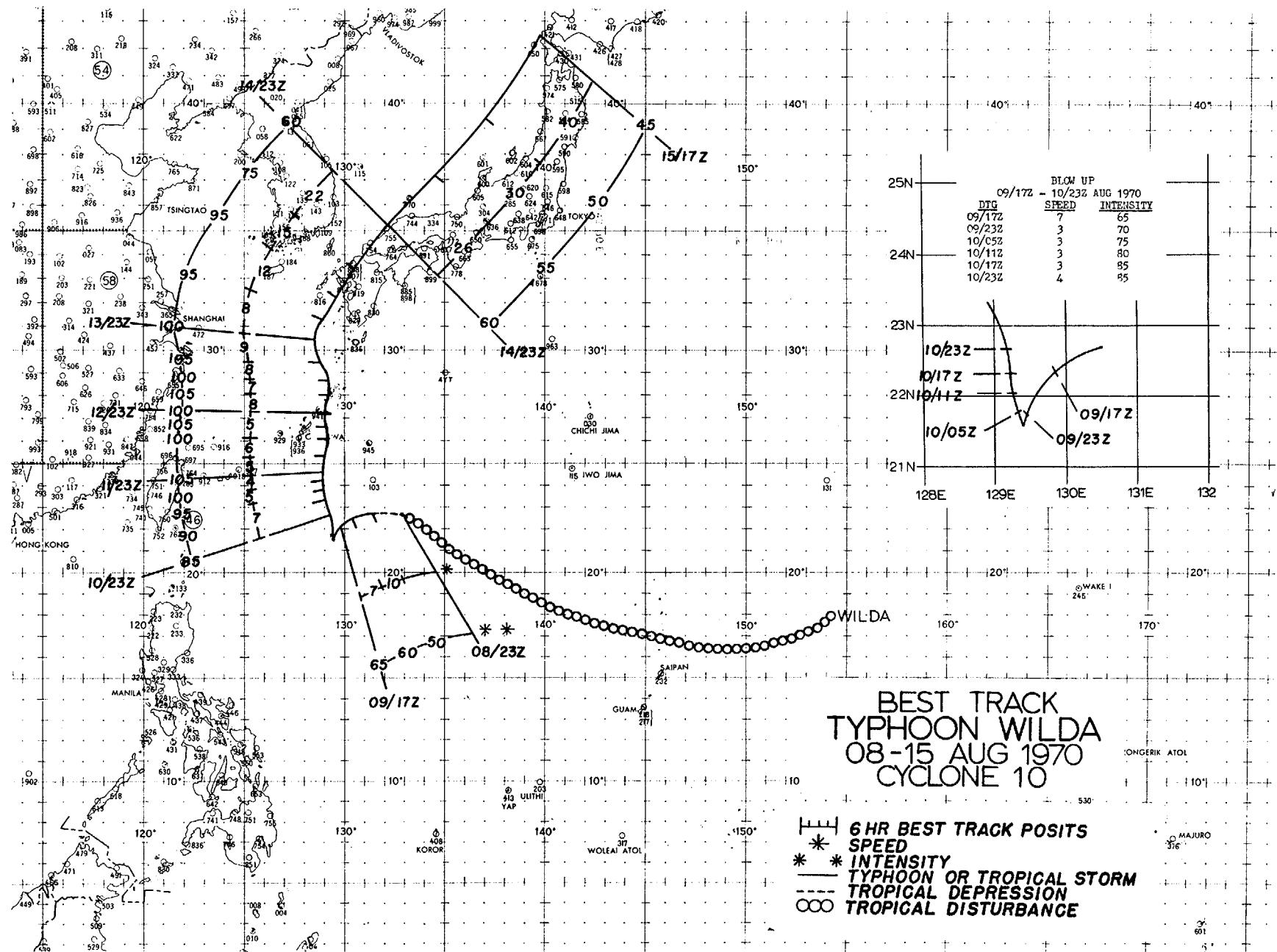
C. TYPHOON WILDA 09 AUG 0500Z-15 AUG 1700Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 27
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 19
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 1,860 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 939 MBS at 11/2100Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2585 M at 11/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 105 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 540 MI



3. TYPHOON WILDA NARRATIVE

Wilda developed from a complex system that had its origin in the region south of Marcus Island. The ITOS-1 satellite pass on the 2nd of August indicated considerable convective activity was occurring in an area between Eniwetok and Marcus Island. This was related to a developing circulation in the upper tropospheric Mid-Pacific trough which had been initially evidenced in upper air data the day before.

An induced surface trough from this system drifted west and developed into a broad circulation as it passed through the Northern Marianas chain on the 6th. The presence of a 200 mb shear line to its north prevented any mechanism for sufficient outflow from the area and stifled further development. As the system crossed into the Philippine Sea a complex situation was created as no increase in net mass inflow into the circulation was noted. The depression expanded and covered some 300 miles in radius with two to three smaller surface circulations embedded as evidenced by ship data and satellite pictures. (Figure 5-6)

By the 9th the large circulation approached a more favorable environment as it neared an area of weak anticyclonic shear at 200 mb and less tropospheric vertical wind shear. ESSA-8 displayed a horseshoe cloud band oriented toward the north surrounding most of the depression and open to the south, with maximum convective activity located in the northwest quadrant. It was from this northwest portion that Wilda rapidly developed. A reconnaissance aircraft on an investigative mission in the vicinity detected a partially developed wall cloud with a central pressure of 986 mb.

Steering forces were weak at this point and the newly formed Wilda began a southwestward drift from a position 300 miles southeast of Okinawa. This movement was largely in response to the influence of the circulation around the massive low from which she developed.

During this time frame a mid-tropospheric high cell over the northern East China Sea began to retrograde leaving a weak trough area to the north of Wilda. As the high continued to recede, the typhoon began to drift northward under its own internal forces (Cressman, 1952) at 4 to 6 knots and intensify. The generally weak gradient between the split ridge line favored a slow northward movement for 3 days.

On this track the storm passed 35 miles east of Okinawa during the night of the 12th to the 13th bringing gale force winds to the island. Naha experienced 52 knots gusting to 64 knots with lowest barometer reading at 978 mb. The eye later passed over the western edge of Amami-o-Shima the following

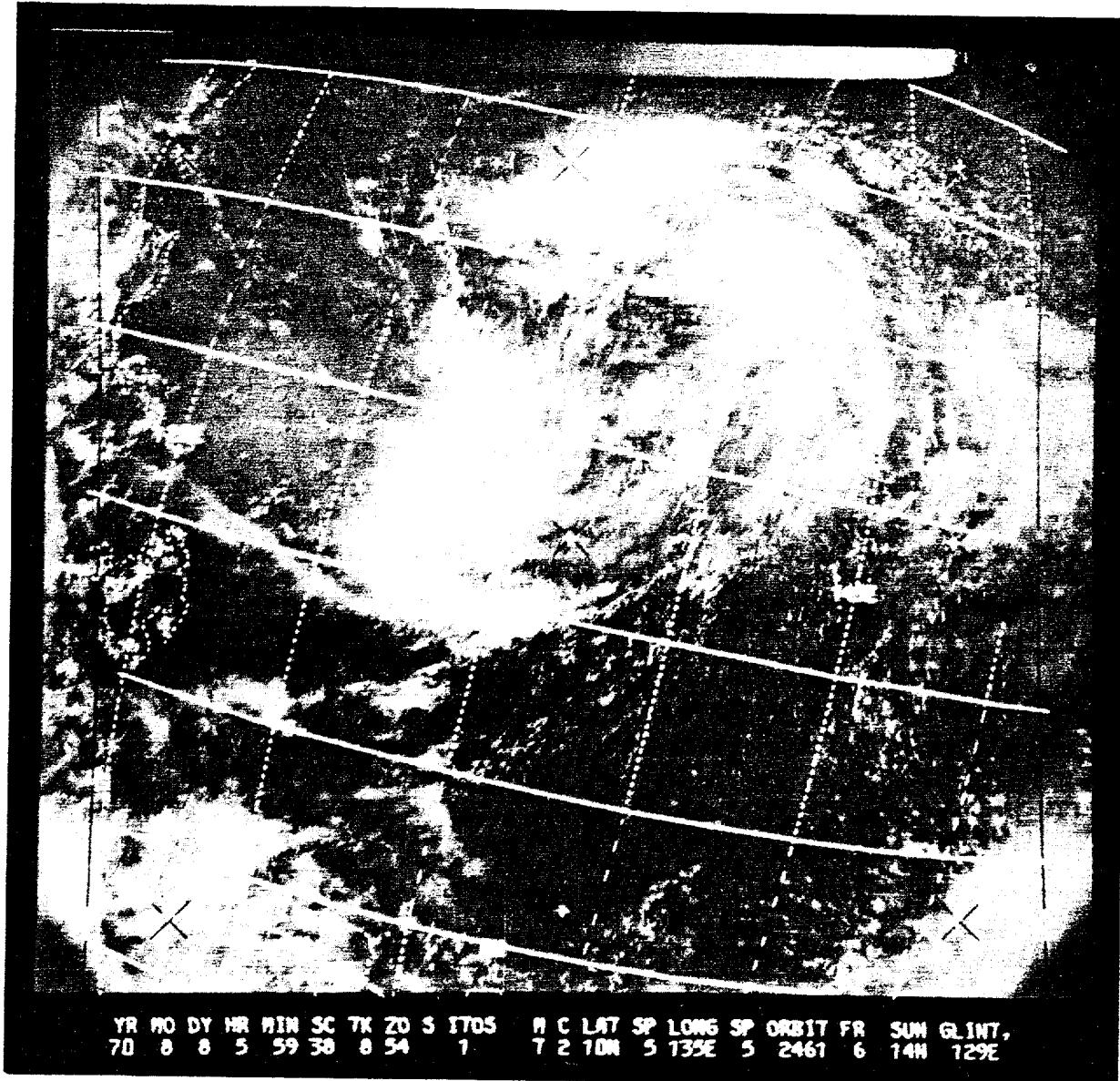


FIGURE 5-6 THE CLOUDINESS ASSOCIATED WITH THE LARGE PRE-WILDA DEPRESSION ON 8 AUGUST APPEARS AS A DISORGANIZED PATTERN TO THE ITOS-1 SATELLITE.

evening with a minimum pressure of 955.8 mb recorded at the island weather station.

In advance of an approaching trough in the westerlies moving off Manchuria, Wilda shifted to a northeast track on the afternoon of the 14th and gradually began to increase in forward speed. This course took the storm with 95 knot winds near the center over Western Kyushu near Nagasaki later that evening (Figure 5-7).

The typhoon was downgraded to a tropical storm as it entered the Sea of Japan with a rate of movement of 22 knots. Wilda started to quickly lose her tropical characteristics as she paralleled the western coast of Honshu some 120 miles offshore. After transforming to extratropical characteristics and skirting western Hokkaido on the 16th the system continued as a well-developed low after passage of the Kamchatka Peninsula on the 17th.

During its lifetime the typhoon reached its maximum strength of 105 knots while east of Okinawa and maintained itself near the 100 knot level until its landfall on the Japanese Coast. Damage reports placed at least 11 persons killed and 326 injured in Japan as the storm brought heavy rain (up to 18 inches) and strong winds to the southern portions of Japan. Over 2,800 houses were reported partially or totally destroyed and 97 vessels of various size sunk or washed away.

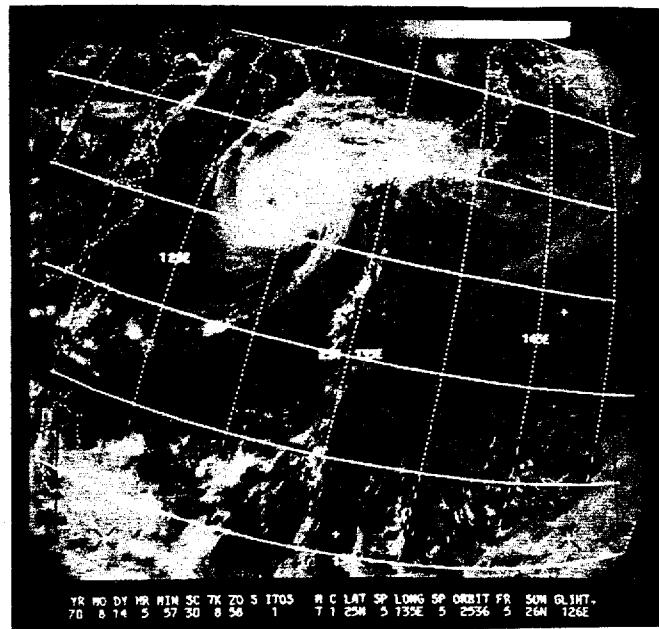


FIGURE 5-7 TYPHOON WILDA SOUTHWEST OF KYUSHU ON 14 AUGUST AS VIEWED BY ITOS-1 IN THE AFTERNOON (TOP) AND NIMBUS IV INFRA-RED (ORBIT 1716) THAT NIGHT (BOTTOM).

TYPHOON WILDA

| IX NO. | TIME | POSII | EYE F-XES CYCLONE | | | 10 | OBS | OVS | MIN | FLT | LVL | EYE | ORIEN- | EYE | CHARACTER | |
|-----------|---------|--------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------|-----|------|-------|------|-------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------|-----------|-----|
| | | | UN/T- | MET-00 | -ACCY | | FLT | LVL | SFC | MIN | 700MB | HGT | TT/TO | FORM | TATION | DIA |
| 1 | 090656Z | 23.0N 130.5E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 02 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 090700Z | 22.8N 131.1E | VW-P-05--- | 0450M | --- | 040 | 986 | --- | 27/23 | ELIO | NW-SE | 20X15 | HLF MOON NNE TO S, 4NM THK | | | |
| 3 | 090932Z | 22.5N 130.7E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | --- | 045 | 983 | 2937 | 28/24 | CIR | --- | 13 | 4NM THK, OPEN S-SE | | | |
| 4 | 091107Z | 22.6N 130.3E | VW-P----- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 100020Z | 21.7N 129.3E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 0/0 | 080 | 973 | 2893 | 20/16 | CIRC | --- | 15 | OPEN SE | | | |
| 6 | 100250Z | 21.7N 129.3E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 0/0 | 110 | 974 | 2890 | 21/11 | CIRC | --- | 10 | W/C NW-SE | | | |
| 7 | 100602Z | 21.0N 129.0E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 100903Z | 21.9N 129.3E | VW-P-05--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 9 | 100910Z | 22.0N 129.5E | VW-P-08--- | | --- | 065 | 972 | --- | 27/26 | CIRC | --- | 25 | 5NM THK, OPEN NE QUAD | | | |
| 10 | 101430Z | 22.1N 129.3E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | --- | 065 | 974 | 2810 | 27/23 | CIRC | --- | 08 | 8NM THK, OPEN NNE | | | |
| 11 | 102100Z | 22.5N 129.1E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 000 | 080 | 970 | 2795 | 17/12 | CIRC | --- | 25 | OPEN N-NE | | | |
| 12 | 110300Z | 23.1N 129.1E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 0/0 | 090 | 964 | 2800 | 21/13 | CIRC | --- | 20 | W/C N QUAD/CLOSING/WK | | | |
| 13 | 110400Z | 23.5N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 14 | 110658Z | 23.0N 128.0E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 03 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | 110853Z | 23.5N 129.1E | VW-P-05--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 110904Z | 23.4N 129.0E | VW-P-05--- | | --- | 085 | 957 | --- | 27/25 | | | | | | | |
| 17 | 111210Z | 24.0N 129.4E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 18 | 111402Z | 24.1N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 19 | 111420Z | 24.3N 128.7E | VW-P-03--- | | --- | 100 | 953 | 2679 | 27/24 | CIRC | --- | 23 | 15NM THK, OPEN NW QUAD | | | |
| 20 | 111500Z | 24.2N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 21 | 111600Z | 24.2N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 22 | 111700Z | 24.3N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 23 | 111800Z | 24.3N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 24 | 111900Z | 24.4N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 25 | 112000Z | 24.5N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 26 | 112100Z | 24.6N 128.7E | 54-P-1U--- | 700MB | 095 | --- | 944 | 2585 | 17/14 | CIRC | --- | 25 | OPEN NW | | | |
| 27 | 112200Z | 24.6N 128.8E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 28 | 120000Z | 24.8N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 29 | 120230Z | 25.1N 128.8E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 005 | 080 | 950 | 2650 | 20/14 | CIRC | --- | 20 | 5NM THK, OPEN SW-NW | | | |
| 30 | 120559Z | 25.2N 129.5E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 0 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31 | 120700Z | 25.4N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 32 | 120800Z | 25.7N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 33 | 120900Z | 25.8N 129.1E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 34 | 120925Z | 25.8N 129.2E | VW-P-15--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 35 | 121000Z | 25.9N 129.2E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 36 | 121018Z | 25.9N 129.1E | VW-P-02--- | | --- | 100 | 950 | --- | 28/23 | CIRC | --- | 22 | 5NM THK, OPEN W | | | |
| 37 | 121100Z | 26.0N 129.1E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 121300Z | 26.2N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 39 | 121400Z | 26.3N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 40 | 121445Z | 26.3N 129.0E | VW-P-02--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 41 | 121500Z | 26.4N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 42 | 121700Z | 26.0N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 43 | 121800Z | 26.7N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 44 | 121900Z | 26.8N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 45 | 122000Z | 26.9N 128.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 46 | 122100Z | 26.9N 129.0E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 085 | --- | 949 | 2682 | 17/11 | CONC | 40-20 | OUTER-CLSD, INNER-OPEN W-N | | | | |
| 47 | 122300Z | 27.0N 129.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 48 | 130030Z | 27.2N 129.2E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |

| NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE F-1ES CYCLONE | | | 10 SFC HGT | OBS MNR SFC HGT | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL IT/TO | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER |
|-------|---------|--------------|-------------------|-------|-------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|------------------------|
| | | | UV | T- | FLT | | | | | | | | |
| | | | MET | 00 | LVL | | | | | | | | |
| LACCY | LVL | WIND | -ND | SFC | HGT | IT/TO | FORM | CHARACTER | | | | | |
| 49 | 130300Z | 27.5N 129.1E | 54--U3--- | 700MB | 100 | 100 | 941 | 2594 | 18/10 | CIRC | ---- | 15 | OPEN NW-NE |
| 50 | 130500Z | 28.0N 129.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 51 | 130600Z | 28.2N 129.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 52 | 130657Z | 28.0N 129.2E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | 04 | CAT 4 | ----- | ----- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 53 | 130700Z | 28.3N 129.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 54 | 130924Z | 28.4N 129.1E | VW--U1--- | 850UM | --- | 085 | 945 | 2615 | 19/12 | CIRC | ---- | 30 | CLSD, 18NM THK |
| 55 | 131100Z | 28.5N 128.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 56 | 131200Z | 28.7N 128.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 57 | 131300Z | 28.8N 128.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 58 | 131410Z | 28.9N 129.1E | VW--U1--- | 850UM | --- | --- | 941 | 2603 | 21/12 | CIRC | ---- | 30 | 15NM THK, NW&E QUAD |
| 59 | 131500Z | 29.2N 128.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 60 | 131600Z | 29.4N 128.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 61 | 131800Z | 29.8N 128.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 62 | 132000Z | 30.1N 128.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 63 | 132200Z | 30.3N 128.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 64 | 132300Z | 30.4N 128.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 65 | 140100Z | 30.6N 128.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 66 | 140300Z | 30.9N 128.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 67 | 140300Z | 30.9N 128.7E | 54--U2--- | 700MB | 085 | 085 | 950 | 2652 | 20/- | CIRC | ---- | 35 | CLSD, 5NM THK |
| 68 | 140400Z | 31.0N 128.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 69 | 140400Z | 31.0N 128.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 70 | 140500Z | 31.2N 128.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 71 | 140500Z | 31.2N 128.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 72 | 140558Z | 31.5N 129.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | 0 | CAT 4 | ----- | ----- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 73 | 140700Z | 31.5N 129.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 74 | 140700Z | 31.6N 129.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 75 | 140800Z | 31.7N 129.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 76 | 140800Z | 31.8N 129.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 77 | 140900Z | 31.9N 129.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 78 | 140900Z | 31.9N 129.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 79 | 140901Z | 31.8N 129.4E | VW--U1--- | 700MB | --- | 075 | 941 | 2615 | 21/16 | CIRC | ---- | 23 | 4-12NM THK, OPEN SW |
| 80 | 141000Z | 32.1N 129.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 81 | 141000Z | 32.1N 129.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 82 | 141100Z | 32.2N 129.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 83 | 141100Z | 32.2N 129.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 84 | 141200Z | 32.4N 129.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 85 | 141200Z | 32.5N 129.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 86 | 141200Z | 32.7N 129.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 87 | 141300Z | 32.6N 129.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 88 | 141400Z | 32.9N 130.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 89 | 141400Z | 32.8N 129.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 90 | 141405Z | 32.6N 130.0E | VW--U1--- | 700MB | --- | --- | 946 | 2731 | 18/13 | CIRC | ---- | 30 | 12NM THK, OPEN SW QUAD |
| 91 | 141500Z | 33.1N 130.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 92 | 141500Z | 33.0N 130.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 93 | 141600Z | 33.2N 130.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 94 | 141600Z | 33.3N 130.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 95 | 141700Z | 33.4N 130.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| 96 | 141702Z | 33.5N 130.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --/- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSII | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | 10 | OBS | OHS | MIN | FLT | EYE | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| | | | UNIT- MET-HD -ACCY | FLT LVL | LVL WND | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | SFC WND | SLP | HGT | | | | | | | | | |
| 97 | 141800Z | 33.8N 130.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 98 | 141800Z | 33.8N 130.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 99 | 141900Z | 33.9N 131.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 100 | 142000Z | 34.0N 131.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 101 | 142055Z | 34.7N 131.6E | 54-/-08--- | 500MB | 051 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 102 | 142100Z | 34.5N 131.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 103 | 142200Z | 34.7N 131.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 104 | 150000Z | 35.3N 132.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 105 | 150245Z | 35.7N 131.9E | 54-/-02--- | 700MB | 045 | --- | --- | 3066 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 106 | 150800Z | 38.4N 139.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 107 | 151125Z | 39.8N 139.8E | VW- -03--- | --- | 030 | 976 | --- | 25/22 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 108 | 151300Z | 40.9N 139.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 109 | 151400Z | 41.5N 139.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |

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TROPICAL CYCLONE 10 -- 8/8/2300Z TO 8/15/1700Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT LAT | WARNING POSIT LONG | BEST TRACK LAT | BEST TRACK LONG | 24 HR FCST LAT | 24 HR FCST LONG | 24 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 48 HR FCST LAT | 48 HR FCST LONG | 48 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 72 HR FCST LAT | 72 HR FCST LONG | 72 HR ERROR DEG DIST |
|----------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 01 | 09/0500Z | 22.8N | 131.5E | 22.8N | 131.5E | 22.8N | 127.9E | 310-0102 | 22.8N | 124.4E | 264-0252 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 09/1100Z | 22.6N | 130.3E | 22.5N | 130.4E | 21.9N | 124.8E | 269-0246 | 22.2N | 118.8E | 261-0558 | 23.0N | 113.3E | 258-0822 |
| 03 | 09/1700Z | 22.3N | 129.1E | 22.2N | 129.9E | 21.9N | 123.3E | 265-0324 | 22.3N | 117.3E | 259-0642 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 09/2300Z | 21.8N | 129.5E | 21.7N | 129.4E | 20.6N | 126.6E | 228-0186 | 20.0N | 122.4E | 232-0456 | 20.6N | 118.3E | 237-0708 |
| 05 | 10/0500Z | 21.7N | 129.3E | 21.7N | 129.3E | 21.7N | 128.8E | 184-0096 | 21.9N | 127.1E | 207-0228 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 10/1100Z | 22.0N | 129.5E | 22.0N | 129.3E | 22.7N | 129.0E | 169-0066 | 27.1N | 125.0E | 202-0144 | 25.0N | 124.0E | 231-0348 |
| 07 | 10/1700Z | 22.2N | 129.3E | 22.4N | 129.2E | 23.3N | 128.0E | 211-0078 | 24.5N | 125.0E | 240-0246 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 10/2300Z | 22.6N | 129.0E | 22.7N | 129.1E | 23.7N | 127.1E | 236-0114 | 25.2N | 123.6E | 248-0312 | 27.1N | 120.3E | 246-0480 |
| 09 | 11/0500Z | 23.3N | 129.0E | 23.3N | 129.0E | 25.4N | 127.8E | 275-0060 | 28.1N | 125.1E | 271-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 11/1100Z | 23.6N | 128.9E | 23.8N | 128.8E | 25.5N | 127.7E | 211-0030 | 27.9N | 125.4E | 256-0192 | 29.8N | 122.4E | 248-0390 |
| 11 | 11/1700Z | 24.4N | 128.6E | 24.5N | 128.8E | 26.6N | 127.1E | 270-0102 | 28.7N | 124.3E | 259-0234 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 11/2300Z | 24.8N | 128.6E | 24.8N | 128.9E | 26.7N | 127.9E | 241-0060 | 29.1N | 127.4E | 218-0096 | 31.3N | 128.7E | 216-0276 |
| 13 | 12/0500Z | 25.3N | 128.8E | 25.3N | 129.0E | 27.1N | 128.6E | 204-0054 | 28.9N | 128.3E | 170-0138 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 12/1100Z | 26.0N | 129.3E | 26.0N | 128.1E | 27.6N | 132.7E | 108-0198 | 29.4N | 137.1E | 114-0426 | 32.8N | 145.3E | 134-0564 |
| 15 | 12/1700Z | 26.6N | 129.0E | 26.6N | 129.0E | 28.6N | 130.2E | 126-0090 | 30.8N | 134.7E | 125-0264 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 12/2300Z | 27.1N | 129.0E | 27.2N | 129.0E | 29.5N | 128.9E | 167-0054 | 31.9N | 128.9E | 218-0246 | 35.7N | 130.1E | ----- |
| 17 | 13/0500Z | 28.0N | 129.0E | 28.0N | 129.1E | 35.8N | 136.0E | 053-0450 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 13/1100Z | 28.7N | 129.0E | 28.7N | 129.1E | 32.9N | 129.6E | 010-0036 | 38.0N | 133.0E | 245-0204 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 13/1700Z | 29.4N | 129.0E | 29.5N | 128.8E | 33.8N | 129.9E | 314-0030 | 38.5N | 133.5E | 229-0378 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 13/2300Z | 30.4N | 128.5E | 30.4N | 128.6E | 34.1N | 130.2E | 235-0102 | 39.2N | 134.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 14/0500Z | 31.2N | 128.6E | 31.2N | 128.8E | 34.7N | 130.8E | 230-0234 | 39.9N | 134.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 14/1100Z | 32.1N | 129.5E | 32.3N | 129.5E | 36.4N | 133.1E | 226-0258 | 42.7N | 136.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 14/1700Z | 33.4N | 130.5E | 33.4N | 130.4E | 37.6N | 134.0E | 221-0402 | 43.9N | 137.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 14/2300Z | 34.9N | 132.0E | 35.1N | 132.0E | 43.0N | 136.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 15/0500Z | 37.0N | 134.9E | 37.3N | 134.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 15/1100Z | 39.9N | 138.0E | 39.5N | 137.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 15/1700Z | 42.9N | 140.8E | 42.7N | 139.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0146 MI. 146.6
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0290 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0512 MI.

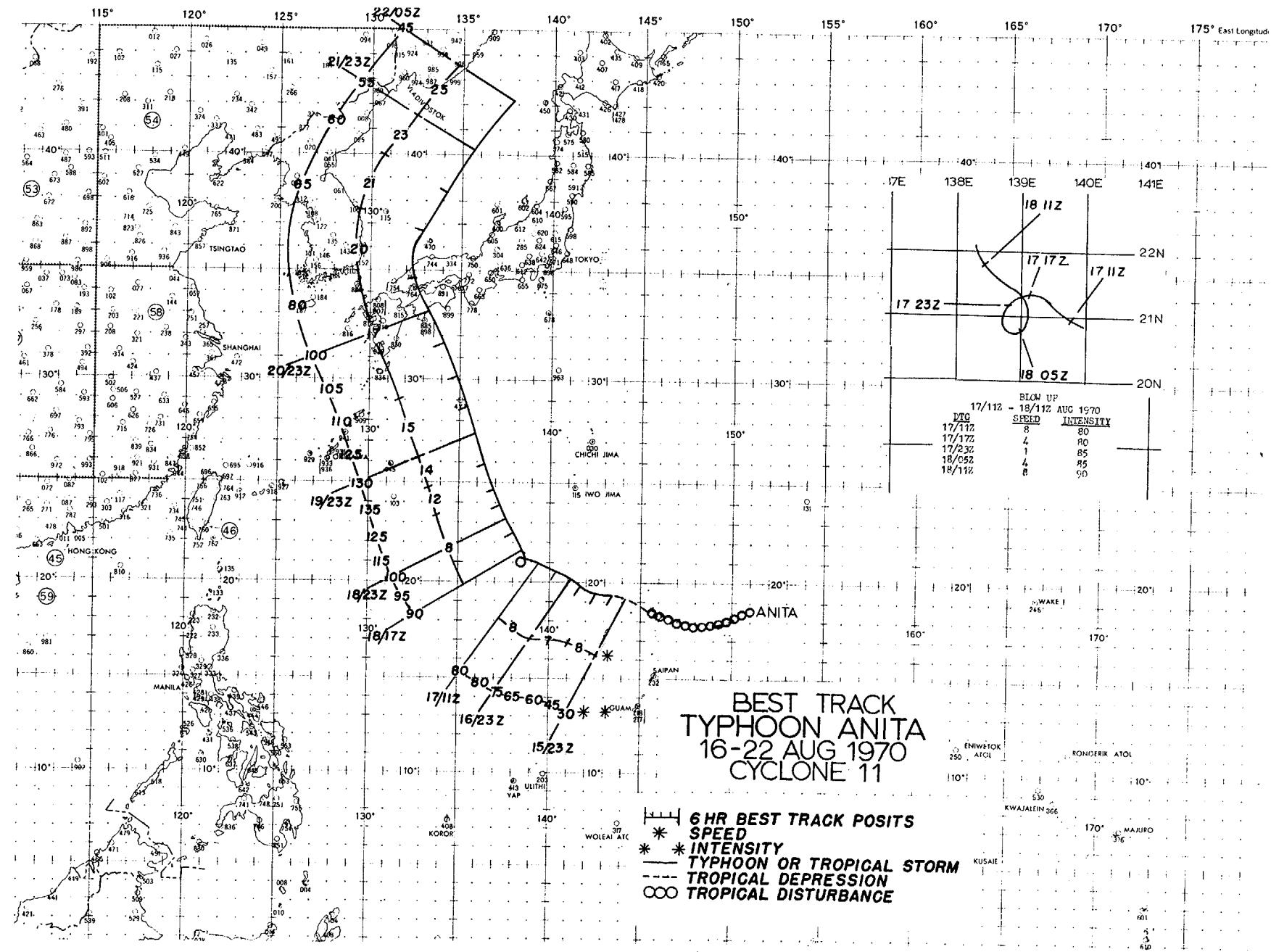
D. TYPHOON ANITA 15 AUG 2300Z-22 AUG 0500Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 26
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 19
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,001 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 912 MBS at 19/2055Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2325 M at 19/2055Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 135 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 480 MI



3. TYPHOON ANITA NARRATIVE

As early as the 11th upper air reports from Marcus and Wake Islands plus satellite pictures indicated an upper level circulation in existence between the two islands. Two days later an ESSA-8 view disclosed the system to have drifted south of Marcus and enhanced in convective activity. Ship data indicated the low aloft had reflected downward into the surface pressure pattern as an induced wave.

This wave disturbance passed through the Northern Marianas chain during the night of the 15th to 16th with evidence of a developing circulation. A reconnaissance aircraft investigated the system the following afternoon and located a closed center with 995 mb central pressure 140 miles northwest of Pagan Island and Tropical Storm Anita was named.

Anita proceeded west northwest and intensified to typhoon strength within 18 hours while shifting to a more northerly course on the 17th. The ridge line north of the typhoon began to weaken considerably between Okinawa and Iwo Jima as a reflection of a slow moving trough in the westerlies east of Korea. Meanwhile heights began to build east of Japan with the establishment of a strong center of action for the subtropical ridge to the northeast of Anita. This set up steering conditions which resulted in a northwest path towards the Japanese coastline for the next three days.

While southwest of Iwo Jima on the 18th, Anita began to approach a 200 mb trough over the Sea of Japan extending through the Northern Ryukyu's. As this trough provided an efficient evacuation mechanism for the transfer of mass to the westerlies, the central pressure began to respond. In the following 36 hours dropsonde measurements showed a progressive fall of 55 mb. Reconnaissance aircraft radar presentations and infra-red satellite view of the storm during the night of the 19-20th indicated Anita had become highly organized in character (Figure 5-8). The storm reached its peak intensity while attaining super typhoon strength during the morning hours of the 20th as aerial reconnaissance registered a 912 mb surface pressure in the eye some 270 mi northwest of Iwo Jima (Figure 5-9).

At this point Anita started to increase her forward speed to 15 knots and later to 17 knots due to the increased southerly flow created between a strong mid-tropospheric high to the northeast and a cut off low in the East China Sea. The eye of the typhoon crossed the coastline of Western Shikoku about 40 N.M. southwest of Kochi City during the late morning hours of the 21st with an accompanying storm surge of 7.7 feet flooding parts of the city. At this time Anita had filled and wind strength was near 105 knots. Maximum sustained wind



FIGURE 5-8 NIMBUS IV NIGHTTIME INFRA-RED VIEW OF TYPHOON ANITA (ORBIT 1783) 19 AUGUST.
A TROPICAL DISTURBANCE IS DEPICTED NORTHEAST OF THE TYPHOON EAST OF THE
JAPANESE ISLANDS.

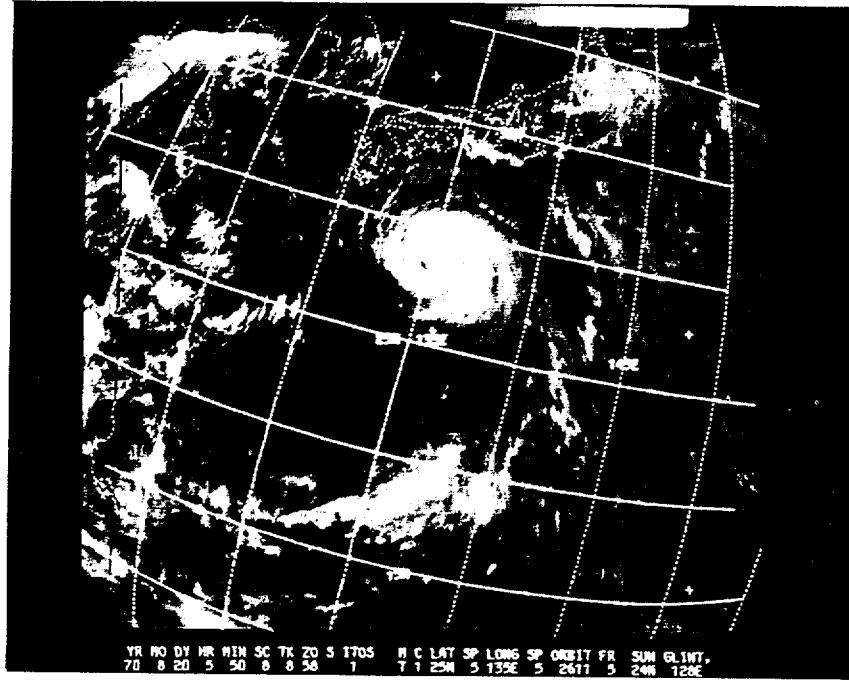


FIGURE 5-9 ANITA SOUTH OF SHIKOKU ISLAND WITH SUPER TYPHOON WINDS AS DISPLAYED TO
ITOS-1 ON THE AFTERNOON OF 20 AUGUST.

report occurred at Murotomisaki Weather Station registering 100 knots and gusts to 124 knots about 60 miles east of the center. Lowest pressure measured in the area was at Cape Ashizuri 15 miles west of the center with 962.3 mb.

At least 31 vessels were reported sunk including the 2,739 ton Japanese ship Koyo Maru along the coast of Japan while heavy rains (up to 15 inches) caused floods and landslides inland. Statistics reveal at least 23 storm-related deaths, 556 injured and over 5,000 houses partially or totally destroyed.

In response to a major trough moving off the China coast, the typhoon recurved sharply after passage over Hiroshima and entrance into the Sea of Japan. On her north-east course, at a rate greater than 20 knots, Anita quickly lost typhoon intensity late on the 21st. She transformed to an extratropical system as she passed west of Hokkaido by the 22nd.

TYPHOON ANITA

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | 11 | OBS | OBS | MIN | FLT | LVL | EYE | ORIEN- | EYE | CHARACTER |
|------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | UN-T- | MET-OB | FLT | | LVL | SFC | MTN | 700MB | TT/TO | DIA | WALL CLOUD | | |
| 1 | 160222Z | 19.3N 143.4E | 54--25-- | | 040 | 045 | 995 | --- | --- | 26/24 | --- | | | | NEG WALL |
| 2 | 160512Z | 19.5N 143.0E | SLTLS | STG 8 | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | ----- |
| 3 | 160600Z | 18.8N 142.3E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | | | | | | | | | ----- |
| 4 | 160903Z | 19.2N 142.4E | VW--10-- | 0160M | 050 | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | CIRC | --- | 10 | | OPEN TO NW |
| 5 | 161211Z | 19.3N 141.9E | VW--105-- | | -- | -- | | | | --/- | CIRC | --- | 15 | | CLSD WALL 4NM THK |
| 6 | 161405Z | 19.3N 141.7E | VW--10-- | | -- | -- | | | | --/- | CIRC | --- | 17 | | OPEN TO N |
| 7 | 162100Z | 19.7N 141.4E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 055 | 075 | 978 | 2914 | 16/12 | CIRC | --- | 22 | | 5NM THK, OPEN W QUAD | |
| 8 | 170300Z | 20.3N 140.6E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 072 | 080 | 976 | 2920 | 19/13 | CIRC | --- | 40 | | NEG W/C | |
| 9 | 170456Z | 19.5N 139.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0, | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | ----- |
| 10 | 170900Z | 20.8N 139.8E | VW--05-- | 0200M | -- | 055 | 977 | --- | 28/23 | CIRC | --- | 18 | | NEG W/C | |
| 11 | 171235Z | 21.0N 139.5E | VW--02-- | 0200M | -- | 055 | 977 | --- | 28/24 | ELIP | N-S | 36X24 | | 8NM THK N SEMICIR | |
| 12 | 171400Z | 21.0N 139.1E | VW--10-- | | -- | -- | | | --/- | ELIP | N-S | 35X25 | | ----- | |
| 13 | 172100Z | 21.1N 139.0E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 070 | 080 | 960 | 2810 | 23/15 | --- | | | | OPEN NE-NW | |
| 14 | 180430Z | 20.9N 138.9E | 54--10-- | 700MB | 060 | 075 | 962 | 2829 | 16/11 | --- | | | | CLSD | |
| 15 | 180533Z | 21.5N 138.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0, | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | ----- | |
| 16 | 180900Z | 21.4N 138.5E | VW--05-- | | 057 | -- | -- | -- | --/- | ELIP | NE-SW | 20X14 | | CLSD | |
| 17 | 181340Z | 21.9N 138.3E | VW--03-- | | 065 | 100 | 965 | --- | 27/23 | CIRC | --- | 20 | | CLSD | |
| 18 | 182020Z | 22.8N 137.8E | 54--07-- | 700MB | 067 | 070 | 947 | 2643 | 16/12 | CIRC | --- | 20 | | OPEN SSW-W | |
| 19 | 190300Z | 23.6N 137.4E | 54--08-- | 700MB | 110 | 095 | 924 | 2435 | 20/12 | CIRC | --- | 18 | | CLSD, 5NM THK | |
| 20 | 190454Z | 23.5N 137.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0, | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | ----- | |
| 21 | 190925Z | 24.5N 137.1E | VW--10-- | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | CLSD, 5NM THK | |
| 22 | 191005Z | 24.5N 137.2E | VW--05-- | 700MB | -- | -- | 921 | 2417 | --/- | CIRC | --- | 14 | | CLSD, 5NM THK | |
| 23 | 191435Z | 25.2N 136.7E | VW--10-- | | -- | -- | | | --/- | | | | | CLSD, 5NM THK | |
| 24 | 192055Z | 26.3N 136.6E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 110 | 130 | 912 | 2325 | 22/15 | CIRC | --- | 18 | | CLSD | |
| 25 | 200300Z | 28.0N 135.6E | 54--30-- | 700MB | 100 | 110 | 924 | 2430 | 20/14 | CIRC | --- | 20 | | CLSD | |
| 26 | 200425Z | 27.5N 135.5E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 27 | 200520Z | 28.5N 135.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | ----- | |
| 28 | 200800Z | 29.4N 134.9E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 29 | 200857Z | 29.5N 135.2E | VW--05-- | | 075 | -- | -- | -- | --/- | CIRC | --- | 11 | | CLSD, APRD BKN S SEMICIR | |
| 30 | 200900Z | 29.5N 134.9E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 31 | 201425Z | 30.7N 134.3E | VW--03-- | 700MB | 075 | -- | 950 | 2658 | 16/12 | CIRC | --- | 20 | | CLSD, 11NM THK | |
| 32 | 201430Z | 30.4N 134.2E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 33 | 201600Z | 31.2N 133.9E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 34 | 201658Z | 31.4N 133.7E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 35 | 201700Z | 31.4N 133.8E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 36 | 201800Z | 31.5N 133.7E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 37 | 201800Z | 31.6N 133.6E | ACFT RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 38 | 201900Z | 31.8N 133.7E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 39 | 202000Z | 32.1N 133.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 40 | 202100Z | 32.0N 134.0E | 54--105-- | 700MB | 070 | 080 | 950 | 2725 | 17/13 | CINC | | 50-20 | | OUTER-OPEN W-NW, INNER-OPEN SW-W | |
| 41 | 202100Z | 32.4N 133.3E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 42 | 202200Z | 32.5N 133.3E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 43 | 202230Z | 32.7N 133.3E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 44 | 202300Z | 33.0N 133.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 45 | 210000Z | 33.3N 132.9E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 46 | 210200Z | 34.2N 132.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |
| 47 | 210300Z | 34.2N 132.6E | 54--06-- | 500MB | 075 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 03/00 | | | | NEG W/C | |
| 48 | 210500Z | 34.9N 132.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | | | | | ----- | |

TYPHOON ANITA
EYE FIXES CYCLONE

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSII | UNIT- METHOD -ACCUY | FLT | | SFC | OBS | MIN | 700MB | FLT | EYE | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|------------|---------|--------------|---------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|-----|------|------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | FLT | LVL | | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | Z10700Z | 35.7N 132.4E | LND RDR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 50 | Z10800Z | 35.8N 132.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 51 | Z11000Z | 36.1N 132.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 52 | Z11024Z | 36.1N 132.3E | VW--03--- | 700MB | 057 | --- | 993 | 3024 | 15/09 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 53 | Z11200Z | 36.7N 132.9E | LND RDR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 54 | Z11215Z | 36.8N 132.8E | VW--04--- | 700MB | 060 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 55 | Z11300Z | 36.9N 133.1E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 56 | Z11400Z | 37.5N 133.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 57 | Z11407Z | 37.2N 133.4E | VW--01--- | 700MB | 060 | --- | 991 | 3051 | 13/11 | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 58 | Z12100Z | 39.4N 135.1E | 54--10--- | | 065 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CTRC | --- | 10 | --- |

TYPHOON ANITA

TROPICAL CYCLONE 11 -- 8/15/2300Z TO 8/22/0500Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING LAT | POSIT LONG | BEST TRACK LAT | TRACK LONG | 24 HR FCST LAT | FCST LONG | 24 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 48 HR FCST LAT | FCST LONG | 48 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 72 HR FCST LAT | FCST LONG | 72 HR ERROR DEG DIST |
|----------|----------|-------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 01 | 15/2300Z | 19.4N | 143.6E | 19.1N | 144.4E | 21.7N | 141.7E | -018-0096- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 16/0500Z | 20.1N | 143.2E | 19.3N | 143.5E | 22.2N | 141.2E | 027-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 16/1100Z | 19.2N | 142.2E | 19.3N | 142.5E | 19.4N | 138.8E | 202-0096 | 20.2N | 135.5E | 242-0186 | 21.3N | 132.8E | 229-0306 |
| 04 | 16/1700Z | 19.3N | 141.2E | 19.6N | 141.7E | 19.7N | 137.5E | 227-0120 | 20.6N | 134.2E | 244-0240 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 16/2300Z | 19.8N | 141.1E | 20.1N | 141.1E | 21.2N | 138.5E | 288-0018 | 22.7N | 135.5E | 259-0120 | 24.3N | 132.9E | 226-0252 |
| 06 | 17/0500Z | 20.5N | 140.4E | 20.6N | 140.3E | 22.6N | 137.7E | 324-0120 | 24.6N | 135.1E | 288-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 17/1100Z | 21.0N | 139.6E | 20.9N | 139.5E | 23.1N | 136.8E | 313-0120 | 25.3N | 134.3E | 283-0150 | 27.7N | 132.7E | 217-0180 |
| 08 | 17/1700Z | 21.4N | 138.9E | 21.1N | 139.1E | 23.4N | 136.2E | 300-0114 | 25.7N | 133.9E | 266-0156 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 17/2300Z | 21.2N | 138.9E | 21.1N | 138.9E | 21.9N | 137.8E | 175-0072 | 23.4N | 135.7E | 188-0234 | 25.0N | 133.9E | 175-0480 |
| 10 | 18/0500Z | 20.9N | 138.9E | 20.9N | 139.0E | 21.3N | 138.7E | 155-0168 | 22.3N | 137.2E | 167-0390 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 18/1100Z | 21.6N | 138.4E | 21.7N | 138.5E | 23.2N | 136.8E | 188-0090 | 25.8N | 134.7E | 180-0258 | 28.3N | 133.4E | 177-0492 |
| 12 | 18/1700Z | 22.1N | 138.0E | 22.4N | 138.1E | 24.0N | 136.8E | 180-0114 | 26.6N | 135.5E | 164-0300 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 18/2300Z | 23.1N | 137.7E | 23.1N | 137.7E | 26.3N | 135.9E | 197-0060 | 30.5N | 134.5E | 156-0162 | 36.5N | 136.2E | 197-0228 |
| 14 | 19/0500Z | 23.9N | 137.2E | 23.9N | 137.4E | 27.6N | 135.5E | 180-0066 | 32.6N | 134.1E | 146-0150 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 19/1100Z | 24.7N | 136.9E | 24.7N | 137.1E | 28.4N | 135.2E | 169-0102 | 33.9N | 134.0E | 160-0162 | 41.5N | 136.5E | ----- |
| 16 | 19/1700Z | 25.4N | 136.5E | 25.9N | 136.8E | 29.0N | 134.7E | 166-0150 | 33.6N | 132.1E | 200-0294 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 19/2300Z | 26.6N | 136.5E | 27.3N | 136.3E | 31.2N | 135.2E | 134-0144 | 37.8N | 134.8E | 197-0150 | 47.0N | 139.5E | ----- |
| 18 | 20/0500Z | 28.3N | 135.7E | 28.7N | 135.6E | 36.5N | 134.1E | 036-0132 | 45.0N | 137.5E | 003-0162 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 20/1100Z | 30.1N | 134.9E | 30.1N | 134.8E | 39.2N | 134.9E | 030-0180 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 20/1700Z | 31.5N | 134.3E | 31.5N | 133.9E | 38.5N | 134.5E | 046-0012 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 20/2300Z | 32.9N | 133.2E | 33.0N | 133.1E | 40.3N | 134.6E | 277-0048 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 21/0500Z | 34.8N | 132.7E | 34.7N | 132.4E | 43.7N | 136.2E | 330-0096 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 21/1100Z | 36.3N | 132.7E | 36.5N | 132.9E | 41.0N | 136.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 21/1700Z | 38.0N | 133.9E | 38.3N | 134.2E | 43.8N | 139.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 21/2300Z | 40.1N | 135.7E | 40.2N | 135.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 22/0500Z | 42.2N | 137.4E | 42.3N | 137.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0100 MI. } O/.
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0202 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0323 MI.

E. TYPHOON BILLIE 23 AUG 0500Z-31 AUG 1100Z

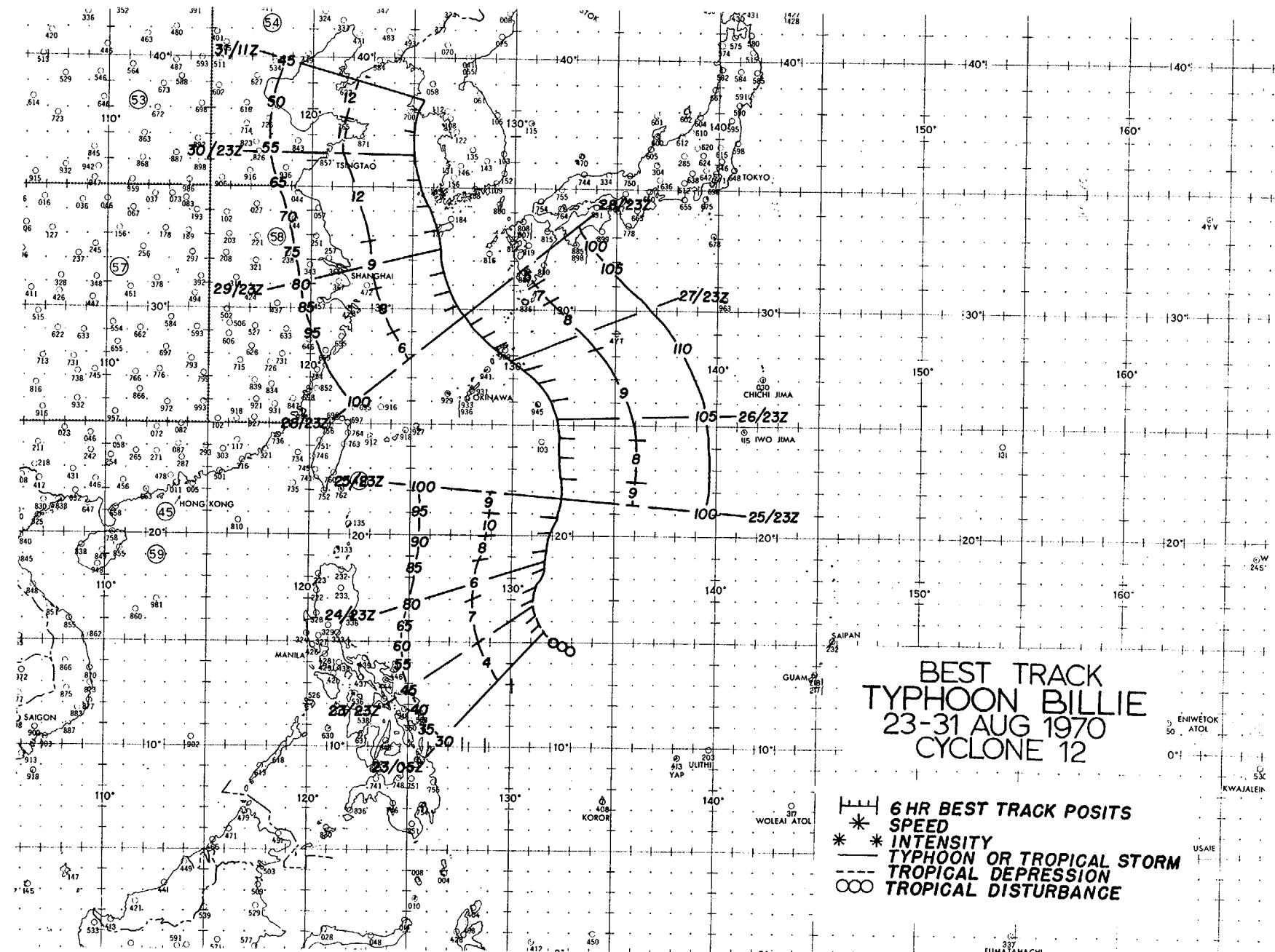
1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 34
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 24
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 1,697 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 945 MBS at 28/0000Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2624 M at 28/0000Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 110 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 600 MI

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3. TYPHOON BILLIE NARRATIVE

Billie formed in the Philippine Sea within the zone of the intertropical trough on August 22nd. Prior to this, extensive cloudiness had been depicted by satellite pictures for several days in this area. The enhanced convection appeared to be generated by increased southwest monsoon flow into the region which apparently had been triggered by the presence of Typhoon Anita in the Northern Philippine Sea.

Upon initial detection of a weak depression by reconnaissance aircraft on the 23rd the storm intensified slowly while drifting northward and reached typhoon force early on the 25th. The westerlies were displaced near 40°N during the latter part of August and steering initially was weak. However, a high cell located east of Guam provided some steering and this combined with the storm's internal steering force for a northward movement of 8 to 9 knots through the 27th.

As heights began to build slowly across Japan, Billie swung to a northwesterly course during the afternoon of the 27th which caused the track to cross through the Ryukyu chain just south of Amami-o-Shima. Prior to passage of the island, Billie reached her lowest pressure of 945 mb and maximum strength of 110 knots. (Figure 5-10)

Heights continued to build over the Sea of Japan and the ridge line receded toward a higher latitude. The typhoon began to turn more northward which eventually took the storm just west of Chiejudo Island and into the Yellow Sea where it paralleled the South Korean coastline. As drier air began to enter the typhoon's circulation, Billie was reduced to tropical storm strength early on the 31st. The storm was being approached by a westerly trough which caused the storm's center to arrive on the Korean coastline west of Kaesong. The tropical system rapidly transformed to extratropical character and accelerated into Manchuria. At least 15 persons were reported killed due to flooding and landslides associated with the storm's rainfall over South Korea.

An unusual aspect during Billie's lifetime was that on five occasions a double wall cloud or concentric eye was observed by reconnaissance crews. The first three instances occurred during the 26th with the outer wall cloud 50 miles in diameter and the inner 7 miles. Later on the 29th, as the storm crossed the East China Sea, 2 cases were observed with an outer diameter of 80 and inner of 20 miles.

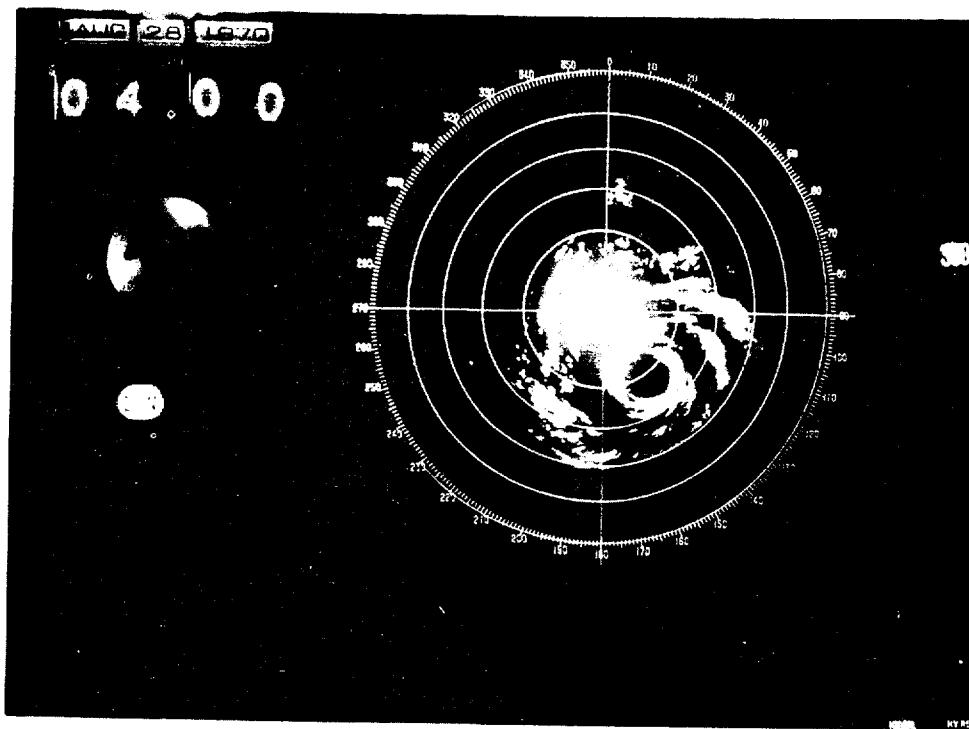
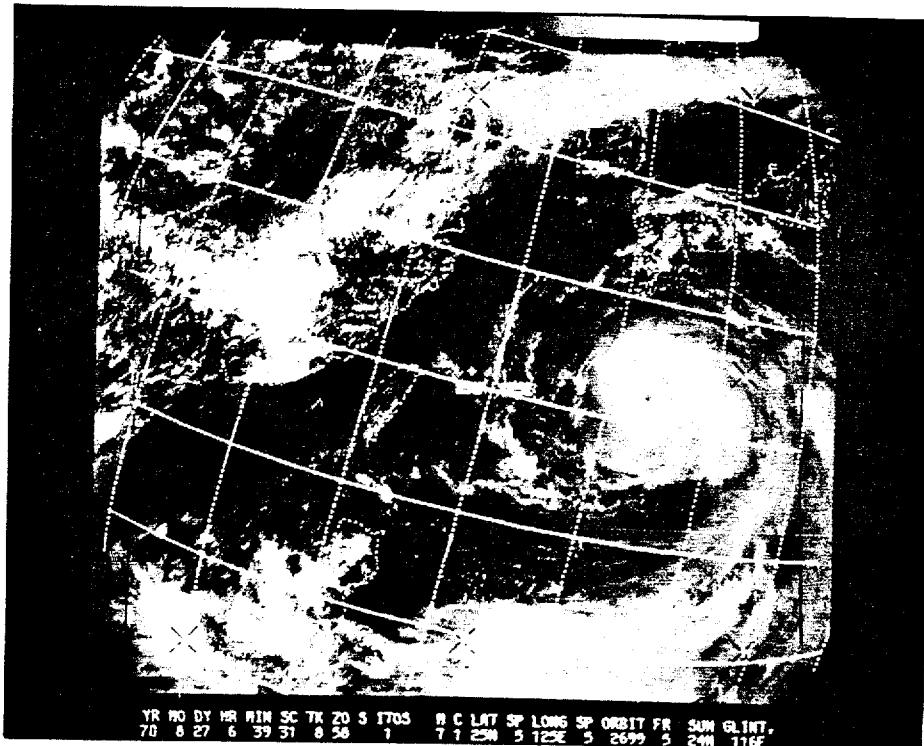


FIGURE 5-10 TOP - TYPHOON BILLIE AS SEEN BY ITOS-1 SATELLITE DURING THE AFTERNOON OF 27 AUGUST.
 BOTTOM - THE EYE OF BILLIE ON 28 AUGUST 0400 (JST) - 27/1900 GMT AS VIEWED BY THE NAZE MITSUBISHI RADAR (10.4 CM) ON AMAMI-O-SHIMA ISLAND (COURTESY JAPAN METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY). RANGE MARKS ARE AT 100 KM INTERVALS.

TYPHOON BILLIE

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE FIXES CYCLONE 12 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------|--------------|----------------------|--------|-------|-----|-----|------|-------|------|-------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|
| | | | UNIT- METHOD | FLT | | SFC | OBS | MIN | 700MB | FLT | | EYE | ORIEN- TATION | EYE |
| | | | | -ACCY | LVL | | | | | LVL | TT/TO | | | DIA |
| 49 | 280500Z | 28.2N 129.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 50 | 280514Z | 28.5N 128.5E | SLTLS STG X | DIA 04 | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 51 | 280600Z | 28.5N 129.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 52 | 280700Z | 28.5N 128.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 53 | 280840Z | 28.6N 128.7E | 54-P-02--- | 700MB | 070 | 060 | 947 | 2630 | 19/15 | CIR | --- | 28 | CLSD, SMALL OPENINGS S | --- |
| 54 | 280900Z | 28.7N 128.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 55 | 280920Z | 28.7N 128.6E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | --- | 065 | 952 | --- | 20/15 | CIR | --- | 27 | WK W/C S QUAD | --- |
| 56 | 281100Z | 28.8N 128.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 57 | 281200Z | 29.0N 128.1E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | 070 | --- | --- | 2728 | 19/15 | CIR | --- | 27 | --- | --- |
| 58 | 281200Z | 28.8N 128.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 59 | 281400Z | 28.9N 128.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 60 | 281500Z | 29.0N 128.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 61 | 281500Z | 29.2N 127.8E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | 070 | --- | 948 | 2749 | 17/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 20X17 | 6NM THK, OPEN S AND SE | --- |
| 62 | 281600Z | 29.1N 127.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 63 | 281700Z | 29.2N 127.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 64 | 281800Z | 29.3N 127.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 65 | 281900Z | 29.4N 127.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 66 | 282000Z | 29.5N 127.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 67 | 282055Z | 29.6N 127.6E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 085 | --- | 949 | 2670 | 17/11 | CONC | --- | 80-20 | OUTER-CLSD, INNER-CLSD | --- |
| 68 | 282100Z | 29.5N 127.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 69 | 282200Z | 29.6N 127.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 70 | 282300Z | 29.7N 127.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 71 | 290000Z | 29.8N 127.4E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 065 | 065 | 949 | 2679 | 17/13 | CONC | --- | 80-20 | WALL DETERG | --- |
| 72 | 290200Z | 29.9N 127.2E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 075 | 080 | 950 | 2676 | 18/13 | CIR | --- | 20 | OPEN W | --- |
| 73 | 290637Z | 30.5N 127.2E | SLTLS STG X | DIA 0 | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 74 | 290815Z | 30.6N 127.0E | VW-P-03--- | --- | 080 | 951 | --- | 2725 | CIR | --- | 30 | OPEN S SEMICIR, NO SEP WALL | --- | --- |
| 75 | 291130Z | 31.1N 127.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 76 | 291230Z | 31.2N 127.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 77 | 291330Z | 31.4N 126.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 78 | 291400Z | 31.0N 127.0E | VW-P--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIR | --- | 25 | --- | --- |
| 79 | 291430Z | 31.6N 126.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 80 | 292100Z | 32.3N 126.3E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 085 | --- | 958 | 2768 | 17/13 | CIR | --- | 80 | OPEN W-NW, RDR PRESENT POOR | --- |
| 81 | 292100Z | 32.4N 126.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 82 | 292155Z | 32.3N 126.4E | 54-P--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 83 | 292200Z | 32.6N 126.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 84 | 292300Z | 32.8N 126.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 85 | 300000Z | 32.9N 126.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 86 | 300100Z | 33.1N 126.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 87 | 300200Z | 33.2N 126.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 88 | 300300Z | 32.9N 126.2E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 062 | --- | 970 | 2798 | 16/13 | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C | --- |
| 89 | 300300Z | 33.4N 126.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 90 | 300543Z | 33.0N 126.0E | SLTLS STG X | DIA 0 | CAT 2 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 91 | 300600Z | 33.7N 126.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 92 | 300700Z | 33.8N 126.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 93 | 300900Z | 34.2N 125.8E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 94 | 301210Z | 34.7N 125.9E | VW-P-25--- | 3050M | 030 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C | --- |
| 95 | 302100Z | 35.3N 125.0E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 045 | --- | 977 | 2887 | 12/09 | CIR | --- | 05 | NEG W/C | --- |

TYPHOON BILLIE

TROPICAL CYCLONE 12 -- 8/23/0500Z TO 8/31/1100Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST LAT | 24 HR FCST LONG | 24 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 48 HR FCST LAT | 48 HR FCST LONG | 48 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 72 HR FCST LAT | 72 HR FCST LONG | 72 HR ERROR DEG DIST |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | | | | | | | | | |
| 01 | 23/0500Z | 15.8N | 131.5E | 15.5N | 131.8E | 17.3N | 129.0E | 281-0120 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 23/1100Z | 16.2N | 130.9E | 15.8N | 131.4E | 17.6N | 128.3E | 270-0162 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 23/1700Z | 16.1N | 131.3E | 16.1N | 131.2E | 16.9N | 129.8E | 229-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 23/2300Z | 16.3N | 131.5E | 16.5N | 131.1E | 17.7N | 130.7E | 217-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 24/0500Z | 17.1N | 131.0E | 16.9N | 131.1E | 19.8N | 128.8E | 280-0168 | 22.8N | 125.9E | 270-0354 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 24/1100Z | 17.4N | 131.0E | 17.6N | 131.2E | 19.7N | 129.6E | 237-0150 | 22.0N | 127.3E | 252-0282 | 24.4N | 124.3E | 250-0402 |
| 07 | 24/1700Z | 18.2N | 131.4E | 18.3N | 131.5E | 20.5N | 130.7E | 258-0084 | 22.7N | 128.8E | 243-0204 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 24/2300Z | 19.0N | 131.6E | 18.8N | 131.6E | 22.0N | 131.8E | 296-0024 | 24.8N | 131.4E | 241-0048 | 27.6N | 130.7E | 104-0048 |
| 09 | 25/0500Z | 19.0N | 131.7E | 19.3N | 131.8E | 20.6N | 131.9E | 189-0126 | 23.4N | 131.7E | 180-0156 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 25/1100Z | 20.1N | 132.0E | 21.1N | 131.9E | 22.4N | 132.1E | 180-0086 | 25.9N | 131.2E | 180-0048 | 29.4N | 130.0E | 067-0090 |
| 11 | 25/1700Z | 20.6N | 131.8E | 20.8N | 132.2E | 23.3N | 131.8E | 197-0060 | 26.8N | 130.8E | 161-0036 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 25/2300Z | 21.9N | 132.4E | 21.8N | 132.3E | 25.1N | 132.6E | 108-0018 | 28.5N | 131.3E | 062-0084 | 31.9N | 130.0E | 044-0186 |
| 13 | 26/0500Z | 22.9N | 132.3E | 22.7N | 132.3E | 26.5N | 131.8E | 000-0030 | 29.9N | 130.6E | 042-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 26/1100Z | 23.7N | 132.1E | 23.5N | 132.2E | 27.3N | 131.4E | 010-0036 | 30.7N | 130.2E | 039-0144 | 35.8N | 130.4E | 031-0354 |
| 15 | 26/1700Z | 24.2N | 132.1E | 24.3N | 132.2E | 27.2N | 131.4E | 104-0048 | 30.6N | 130.3E | 059-0144 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 26/2300Z | 25.3N | 132.2E | 25.2N | 132.2E | 28.5N | 132.0E | 070-0120 | 31.6N | 132.0E | 063-0258 | 36.5N | 132.8E | 053-0402 |
| 17 | 27/0500Z | 26.3N | 132.0E | 26.0N | 131.8E | 29.9N | 131.7E | 056-0168 | 33.5N | 131.8E | 051-0306 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 27/1100Z | 27.0N | 131.3E | 26.7N | 131.3E | 30.4N | 130.2E | 044-0126 | 34.4N | 130.0E | 037-0270 | 39.9N | 133.1E | 047-0486 |
| 19 | 27/1700Z | 27.6N | 130.3E | 27.4N | 130.5E | 30.5N | 128.1E | 010-0072 | 34.4N | 128.9E | 035-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 27/2300Z | 28.0N | 129.7E | 27.8N | 129.8E | 31.5N | 127.8E | 009-0114 | 36.1N | 129.1E | 032-0258 | 41.8N | 135.0E | 055-0576 |
| 21 | 28/0500Z | 28.2N | 128.9E | 28.3N | 129.0E | 30.9N | 127.4E | 016-0042 | 35.5N | 129.5E | 052-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 28/1100Z | 28.9N | 128.4E | 28.8N | 128.4E | 31.7N | 127.3E | 022-0060 | 35.3N | 127.7E | 058-0108 | 40.6N | 131.3E | 064-0294 |
| 23 | 28/1700Z | 29.4N | 127.6E | 29.3N | 127.8E | 32.5N | 126.3E | 354-0060 | 36.7N | 127.5E | 051-0138 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 28/2300Z | 29.7N | 127.4E | 29.6N | 127.4E | 32.2N | 126.3E | 180-0012 | 36.1N | 127.2E | 093-0102 | 41.0N | 131.8E | ----- |
| 25 | 29/0500Z | 30.2N | 127.1E | 30.2N | 127.1E | 32.7N | 126.2E | 170-0036 | 36.6N | 127.5E | 106-0120 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 29/1100Z | 30.8N | 126.8E | 30.7N | 126.8E | 33.9N | 126.3E | 128-0066 | 37.7N | 127.9E | 110-0120 | 42.1N | 130.9E | ----- |
| 27 | 29/1700Z | 31.6N | 126.7E | 31.5N | 126.5E | 35.0N | 126.9E | 098-0078 | 38.6N | 128.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 29/2300Z | 32.6N | 126.4E | 32.4N | 126.3E | 36.8N | 128.1E | 077-0150 | 42.3N | 130.9E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 30/0500Z | 33.2N | 126.3E | 33.3N | 126.1E | 36.9N | 127.5E | 098-0120 | 41.5N | 130.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 30/1100Z | 34.5N | 126.0E | 34.3N | 125.7E | 38.9N | 127.3E | 071-0034 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 31 | 30/1700Z | 35.7N | 126.1E | 35.2N | 125.3E | 40.2N | 128.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 32 | 30/2300Z | 36.2N | 125.1E | 36.2N | 125.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 33 | 31/0500Z | 37.2N | 125.0E | 37.2N | 125.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 34 | 31/1100Z | 38.4N | 125.6E | 38.4N | 125.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0085 MI.
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0169 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0315 MI.

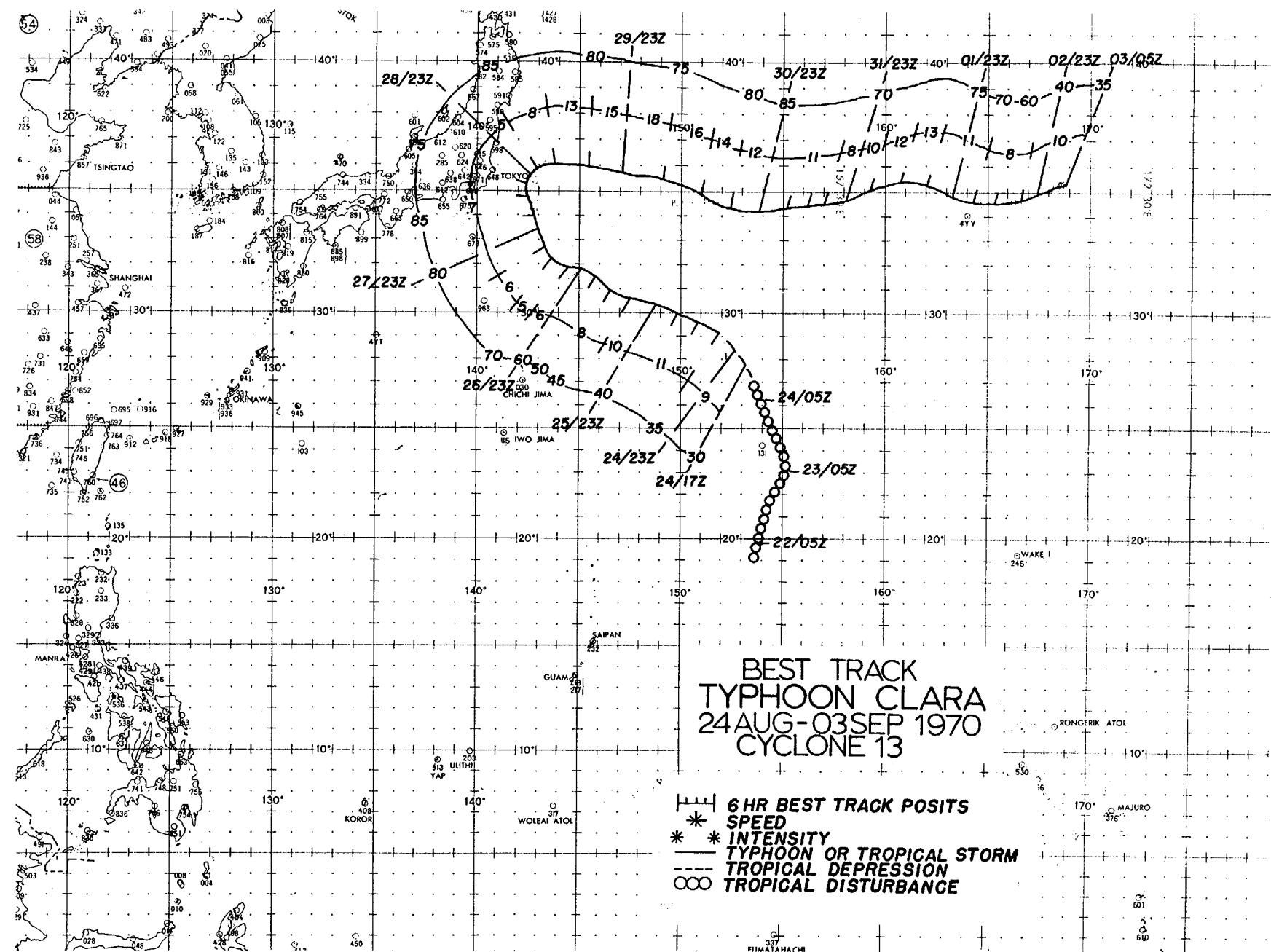
F. TYPHOON CLARA 26 AUG 0500Z-03 SEP 1100Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warning Issued - 34
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 13
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,449 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 965 MBS at 30/2100Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2789 M at 30/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 85 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 420 MI



3. TYPHOON CLARA NARRATIVE

The fourth typhoon of August appeared on the scene in its early stages as Billie was churning the waters of the Philippine Sea east of Okinawa. Clara developed to typhoon force at an unusually high latitude of 32°N. This was the 5th storm on record to reach typhoon intensity north of the 30th parallel since 1945.

The pre-Clara system was first noted by the ITOS-1 satellite on the 21st south of Marcus Island. The disturbance was related to an upper tropospheric circulation which had separated from the Mid-Pacific trough. The system drifted in a generally northward direction for the next two days and gradually attained a warm core.

On passage of Marcus on the 24th, the island's sounding indicated warming greater than one degree at all levels from 850 to 300 mb. After passage of Marcus a weak surface circulation developed.

The depression, not more than a degree and a half in diameter, reacted to a blocking ridge line to its north by commencing a more westerly track at 9-11 knots.

During the period of the 25th to the 26th the Clara circulation passed under a 200 mb shear line which acted as a hostile environment for further development as mass outflow from the system was retarded. Thus Clara barely attained minimum tropical storm strength during this portion of her track.

Later on the 26th, the system moved from beneath the shear line aloft, slowly strengthened and reached typhoon force the following day although its circulation remained small. Clara shifted to a northeast course 300 miles southeast of Tokyo late on the 27th and came under surveillance of the radar atop Mount Fuji (See Figure 5-11).

The typhoon missed connections with a short wave in the westerlies passing to the north. It instead took a sharp turn to the east on the 29th 120 mi abeam of Tokyo (Figure 5-12) as flow to the rear of the trough forced the storm on an abrupt change of course. For the next five days, Clara was effectively cut off from the westerlies and maintained her typhoon intensity along a 1,200 mile sinusoidal path towards Ocean Station Victor.

Late on the 2nd, Clara began to turn to the northeast and weaken along the periphery of the westward extension of the subtropical high system centered near the Hawaiian Islands. As increasing vertical shear was encountered and drier and

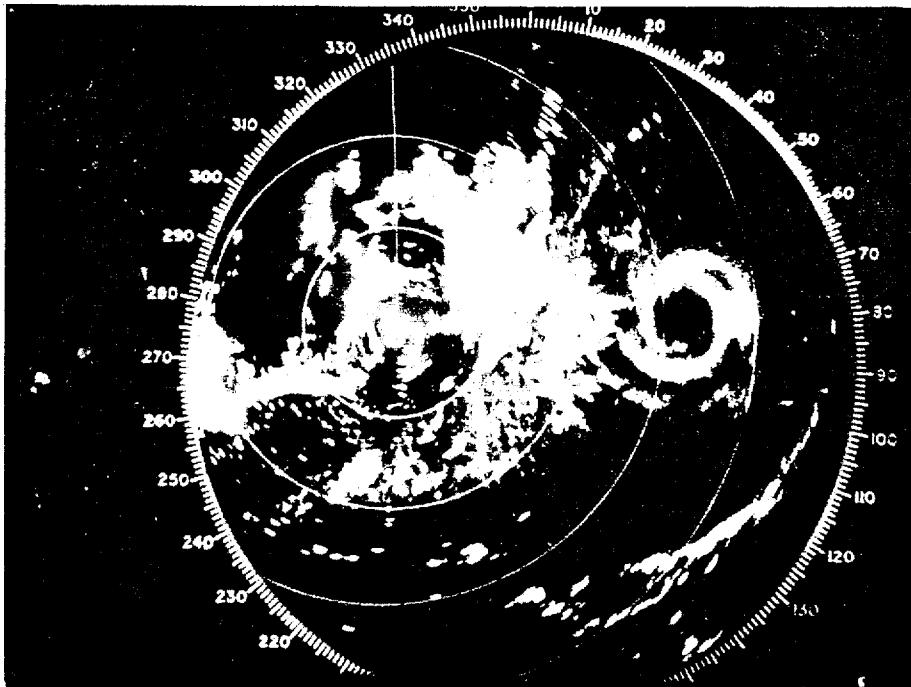


FIGURE 5-11 RADAR SCOPE PHOTOGRAPH OF TYPHOON CLARA AS VIEWED BY MT. FUJI MITSUBISHI RADAR (10.4 CM) ON 29 AUGUST AT 0417 GMT (COURTESY JAPAN METEOROLOGICAL AGENCY, TOKYO DISTRICT OBSERVATORY). RANGE MARKS ARE AT 100 KM INTERVALS. MUCH OF THE ECHO RETURN OUTSIDE THE WALL CLOUD AREA IS DUE TO GROUND CLUTTER AND SEA RETURN.

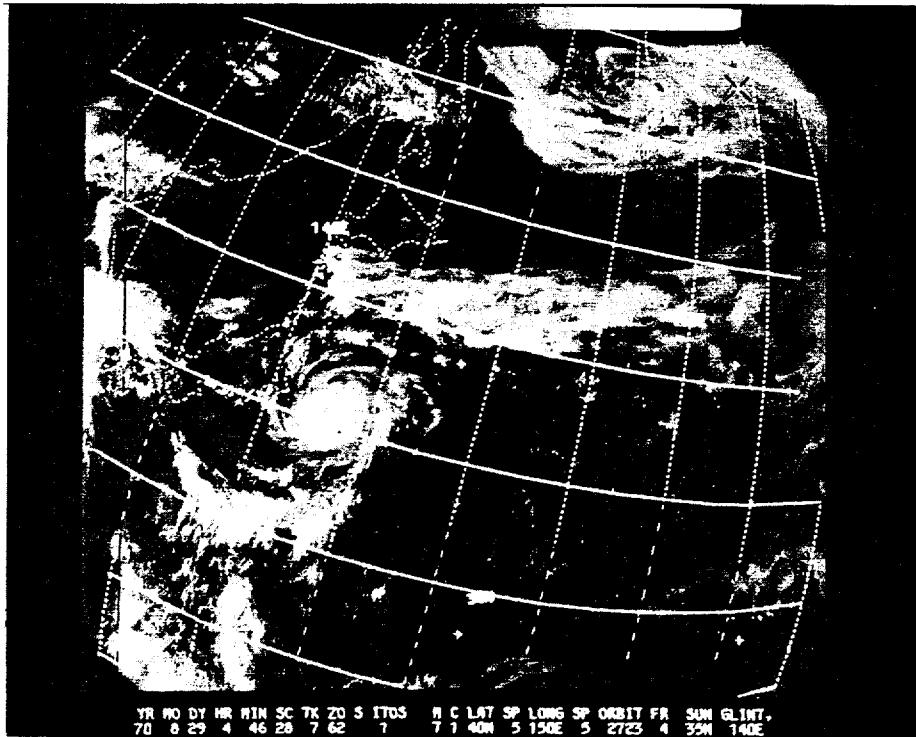


FIGURE 5-12 TYPHOON CLARA AS SEEN BY ITOS-1 ON 29 AUGUST DUE EAST OF TOKYO.

cooler air entrained into the circulation the storm gradually weakened until it was absorbed by a frontal system on the 4th.

During her eastward trek across the West Pacific, Clara affected numerous vessels in the shipping lanes. The Swedish vessel Sonette along with the Netherlands vessel Precent estimated winds of 80 knots on their close encounters with the storm respectively on the 30th of August and the 1st of September.

An interesting sidenote was that Hurricane Dot in the Central Pacific¹ formed on the 1st of September and was recurving close to the International Date Line on the 2nd and 3rd. Reconnaissance planes that were fixing Clara from Wake Island were called upon to position Dot before landing at Midway Island. An unusual accomplishment thus took place on the 3rd of September as reconnaissance aircraft fixed both a typhoon and a hurricane on the same mission.

¹Dot was the forecast responsibility of the Central Pacific Hurricane Center, Honolulu.

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| -IX NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | 13 | O-S | MIN | FLT | LVL | EYE | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER |
|------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|---------------|---------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|-----|------------------|----------------|-----------|
| | | | UN T- ACCY | MET O- LVL | FLT LVL | | SFC | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 230449Z | 23.0N 155.5E | SLTLS | STG C | 01A -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 240350Z | 25.0N 154.5E | SLTLS | STG C | 01A -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 250447Z | 29.0N 152.0E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 02 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 260543Z | 30.5N 148.0E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 02 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 262100Z | 31.0N 145.0E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 055 050 | 945 | 2908 | 12/07 | CIRC | -- | 22 | CLSD | 12-15NM THK | |
| 6 | 270300Z | 31.0N 144.0E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 055 070 | 976 | 2893 | 14/07 | CIRC | -- | 15 | OPEN | NE QUAD | |
| 7 | 271449Z | 31.0N 144.0E | SLTLS | STG C | 01A -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 270950Z | 31.0N 144.5E | VW--20-- | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 9 | 271000Z | 32.0N 142.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 10 | 271050Z | 32.0N 143.0E | VW--10-- | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | CLSD | 9-27NM THK | |
| 11 | 271140Z | 32.0N 143.0E | VW--05-- | | 045 | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | -- | 09 | CLSD | | |
| 12 | 271500Z | 32.5N 143.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 13 | 271700Z | 32.0N 143.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 14 | 271800Z | 32.0N 143.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 15 | 271900Z | 33.0N 143.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 16 | 272100Z | 33.1N 143.2E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 055 080 | 971 | 2850 | 15/08 | CIRC | -- | 10 | SNM | THK, OPEN SE-S | |
| 17 | 272300Z | 33.1N 143.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 18 | 280041Z | 33.2N 143.0E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 055 085 | 96.9 | 2853 | 14/07 | CIRC | -- | 19 | OPEN | SE-S-W | |
| 19 | 280300Z | 33.8N 142.9E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 057 085 | 968 | 2865 | 17/07 | CIRC | -- | 20 | OPEN | SE-SW | |
| 20 | 280500Z | 33.9N 142.8E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 21 | 280545Z | 33.0N 142.5E | SLTLS | STG C | 01A -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | |
| 22 | 280600Z | 34.0N 142.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 23 | 280700Z | 34.2N 142.7E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 24 | 280830Z | 34.4N 142.5E | VW--05-- | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | -- | 35 | OPEN | S | |
| 25 | 280900Z | 34.3N 142.7E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 26 | 281100Z | 34.5N 142.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 27 | 281200Z | 34.8N 142.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 28 | 281401Z | 34.9N 142.5E | VW--10-- | 700MB | 055 | 978 | 2975 | 16/09 | CIRC | -- | 25 | OPEN | S QUAD | |
| 29 | 281500Z | 35.0N 142.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 30 | 281600Z | 35.1N 142.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 31 | 281700Z | 35.3N 142.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 32 | 281800Z | 35.3N 142.1E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 33 | 282000Z | 35.5N 142.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 34 | 282100Z | 35.5N 142.2E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 075 075 | 973 | 2862 | 15/08 | CTRC | -- | 35 | CLSD | | |
| 35 | 282100Z | 35.7N 142.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 36 | 282100Z | 35.5N 142.3E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 37 | 282200Z | 35.6N 142.4E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 38 | 282300Z | 35.6N 142.4E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 39 | 280000Z | 35.6N 142.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 40 | 280100Z | 35.6N 142.6E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 41 | 280200Z | 35.6N 142.8E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 42 | 280300Z | 35.9N 142.7E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 065 120 | 975 | 2841 | 17/14 | CTRC | -- | 20 | OPEN | SSW | |
| 43 | 280446Z | 35.8N 142.5E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 01 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | |
| 44 | 280600Z | 36.1N 143.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 45 | 280600Z | 35.8N 143.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 46 | 280804Z | 36.1N 143.4E | VW--05-- | | -- | 100 | 977 | --/28 | CTRC | -- | 28 | OPEN | W | |
| 47 | 281200Z | 35.0N 144.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | | |
| 48 | 281400Z | 35.1N 144.3E | VW--08-- | | -- | 100 | 945 | 2990 | --/-- | CTRC | -- | 20 | OPEN | W |

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| Fix No. | TIME | POS(1) | EYE F/XES CYCLONE 13 | | | | | | | | | | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| | | | UN-I- MET-DU -ACLY | FLT LVL | LVL WND | SFC RHO | MIN SLP | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL FR/TU | EYF FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | |
| 43 | 292115Z | 36.0N 146.7E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 0/2 | 050 | 975 | 2883 | 15/14 | ELIP | NW-SE | 25X18 | CLSD |
| 50 | 300000Z | 35.0N 147.5E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 0/3 | 080 | 974 | 2868 | 16/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 12X-- | CLSD, APRS BRKG UP |
| 51 | 300215Z | 35.0N 148.3E | 54--08--- | 700MB | 0/0 | 000 | 959 | 2832 | 16/11 | ELIP | NW-SE | 28X22 | OPEN NW, BRKG UP |
| 52 | 300543Z | 34.5N 150.5E | SLTS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 53 | 300926Z | 35.0N 151.2E | VW--02--- | 3080M | 068 | -- | 943 | 2929 | 17/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 38X28 | OPEN W |
| 54 | 301405Z | 34.0N 151.9E | VW--10--- | 3000M | 065 | -- | 973 | 2911 | 16/10 | CTRC | ---- | 30 | OPEN NE-SW, BRKG UP NE |
| 55 | 302100Z | 34.0N 153.4E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 000 | 085 | 945 | 2789 | 13/08 | CTRC | ---- | 30 | CLSD |
| 56 | 310200Z | 34.2N 154.7E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 000 | 090 | 940 | 2800 | 18/07 | CTRC | ---- | 30 | CLSD, ILL DEF S QUAD |
| 57 | 310444Z | 34.5N 155.0E | SLTS | STG X | DIA 04 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 58 | 310915Z | 34.5N 156.1E | VW--05--- | 3000M | 0/0 | 060 | 973 | 2853 | 13/18 | CTRC | ---- | 28 | CLSD, 15NM THK N SEMICIR |
| 59 | 311130Z | 34.7N 156.6E | VW--11--- | 3000M | 045 | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 28 | CLSD |
| 60 | 010300Z | 35.0N 158.0E | 54--30--- | 700MB | 000 | 100 | 975 | 2893 | 17/10 | CTRC | ---- | 15 | NOT WELL DEF, OPEN S |
| 61 | 010405Z | 35.0N 158.5E | SLTS | STG X | DIA 05 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 62 | 011004Z | 35.0N 160.3E | VW--120--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | ---- | | | ----- |
| 63 | 011114Z | 35.4N 160.9E | VW--105--- | 700MB | 005 | -- | 979 | 2963 | 16/12 | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD |
| 64 | 011230Z | 35.5N 161.3E | VW--120--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | ---- | | | ----- |
| 65 | 012056Z | 35.1N 163.1E | 54--15--- | 700MB | 052 | 085 | 943 | 2935 | 18/10 | CTRC | ---- | 30 | OPEN SSW-NNE |
| 66 | 020300Z | 34.8N 163.7E | 54--20--- | 700MB | 000 | 090 | 979 | 2941 | 17/12 | CTRC | ---- | 15 | OPEN NE |
| 67 | 020440Z | 34.0N 165.0E | SLTS | SIG X | DIA 07 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 68 | 021230Z | 34.7N 165.1E | VW--115--- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | ---- | | | W/C S SEMICIR, 6NM THK |
| 69 | 021250Z | 34.0N 165.4E | VW--105--- | -- | 045 | 991 | -- | 24/24 | -- | | | | ----- |
| 70 | 022015Z | 34.4N 166.4E | 54--15--- | 700MB | 039 | 040 | 992 | 3021 | 15/- | ---- | | | NEG W/C |
| 71 | 030340Z | 34.0N 168.0E | SLTS | SIG C | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | ----- |
| 72 | 030400Z | 35.2N 168.4E | 54--10--- | 700MB | 035 | 030 | 943 | 3030 | 11/09 | ---- | | | NEG W/C |
| 73 | 040242Z | 34.0N 169.0E | SLTS | SIG C | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | ----- |

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TROPICAL CYCLONE 13 -- 8/24/1700Z TO 9/3/0500Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST | | 24 HR ERROR | | 48 HR FCST | | 48 HR ERROR | | 72 HR FCST | | 72 HR ERROR | |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|--------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 26/0500Z | 30.5N | 147.5E | 30.6N | 147.5E | 31.7N | 142.1E | 264-0108 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 26/1100Z | 30.8N | 146.3E | 31.0N | 146.6E | 32.0N | 140.6E | 266-0162 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 26/1700Z | 31.0N | 145.3E | 31.5N | 145.9E | 32.1N | 140.3E | 258-0156 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 26/2300Z | 32.0N | 145.1E | 31.9N | 145.0E | 34.1N | 141.6E | 298-0072 | 36.8N | 139.6E | 296-0144 | 42.7N | 144.6E | 345-0432 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 27/0500Z | 32.0N | 144.3E | 31.9N | 144.3E | 33.8N | 138.4E | 266-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 27/1100Z | 32.0N | 143.9E | 32.2N | 143.8E | 33.8N | 138.5E | 255-0198 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 27/1700Z | 32.8N | 143.5E | 32.7N | 143.4E | 35.7N | 142.0E | 338-0030 | 39.7N | 142.4E | 327-0252 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 27/2300Z | 33.1N | 143.1E | 33.5N | 143.0E | 35.8N | 141.9E | 284-0024 | 40.0N | 145.0E | 340-0270 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 28/0500Z | 34.0N | 142.8E | 34.1N | 142.7E | 36.2N | 141.8E | 284-0048 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 28/1100Z | 34.6N | 142.4E | 34.7N | 142.4E | 37.4N | 141.8E | 306-0120 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 28/1700Z | 35.3N | 142.3E | 35.2N | 142.3E | 38.1N | 142.8E | 314-0168 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 28/2300Z | 35.8N | 142.2E | 35.7N | 142.4E | 38.5N | 143.1E | 312-0246 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 29/0500Z | 36.0N | 142.9E | 36.0N | 142.8E | 37.6N | 146.6E | 314-0174 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 29/1100Z | 36.3N | 143.8E | 36.2N | 143.8E | 37.4N | 147.9E | 313-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 29/1700Z | 36.3N | 144.8E | 36.1N | 145.4E | 36.7N | 149.1E | 310-0210 | 37.0N | 155.0E | 324-0174 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 29/2300Z | 35.8N | 147.2E | 35.7N | 147.0E | 35.4N | 156.1E | 060-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 30/0500Z | 35.6N | 149.4E | 35.5N | 149.2E | 39.4N | 157.9E | 024-0330 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 30/1100Z | 35.6N | 151.8E | 34.9N | 151.1E | 36.9N | 159.7E | 049-0222 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 30/1700Z | 34.6N | 152.8E | 34.4N | 152.4E | 36.0N | 158.4E | 036-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 30/2300Z | 34.3N | 153.9E | 34.3N | 153.8E | 35.7N | 159.7E | 058-0096 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 31/0500Z | 34.2N | 155.2E | 34.3N | 155.1E | 34.7N | 160.8E | 112-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 31/1100Z | 36.2N | 156.5E | 34.4N | 156.2E | 36.2N | 162.3E | 059-0090 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 31/1700Z | 34.8N | 157.9E | 34.6N | 157.1E | 36.7N | 163.7E | 043-0114 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 31/2300Z | 34.9N | 157.8E | 34.8N | 158.0E | 35.6N | 159.5E | 282-0186 | 37.2N | 161.7E | 295-0300 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 01/0500Z | 35.0N | 158.1E | 35.2N | 159.3E | 35.9N | 159.9E | 288-0222 | 37.6N | 162.2E | 293-0352 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 01/1100Z | 35.4N | 160.7E | 35.4N | 160.7E | 38.6N | 165.8E | 000-0234 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 01/1700Z | 35.9N | 161.9E | 35.3N | 162.0E | 39.6N | 167.0E | 006-0288 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 01/2300Z | 35.1N | 163.8E | 34.9N | 163.3E | 35.8N | 170.5E | 072-0150 | 38.3N | 178.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 02/0500Z | 34.8N | 164.0E | 34.7N | 164.3E | 34.4N | 167.8E | 222-0075 | 35.6N | 173.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 02/1100Z | 34.5N | 165.2E | 34.7N | 165.8E | 34.7N | 169.6E | ----- | 36.4N | 175.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 31 | 02/1700Z | 34.8N | 166.3E | 34.8N | 166.3E | 36.2N | 171.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 32 | 02/2300Z | 35.0N | 167.3E | 35.0N | 167.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 33 | 03/0500Z | 35.3N | 168.5E | 35.4N | 168.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 34 | 03/1100Z | 35.4N | 169.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROP - 0153 MI.

AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0249 MI.

AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0432 MI.

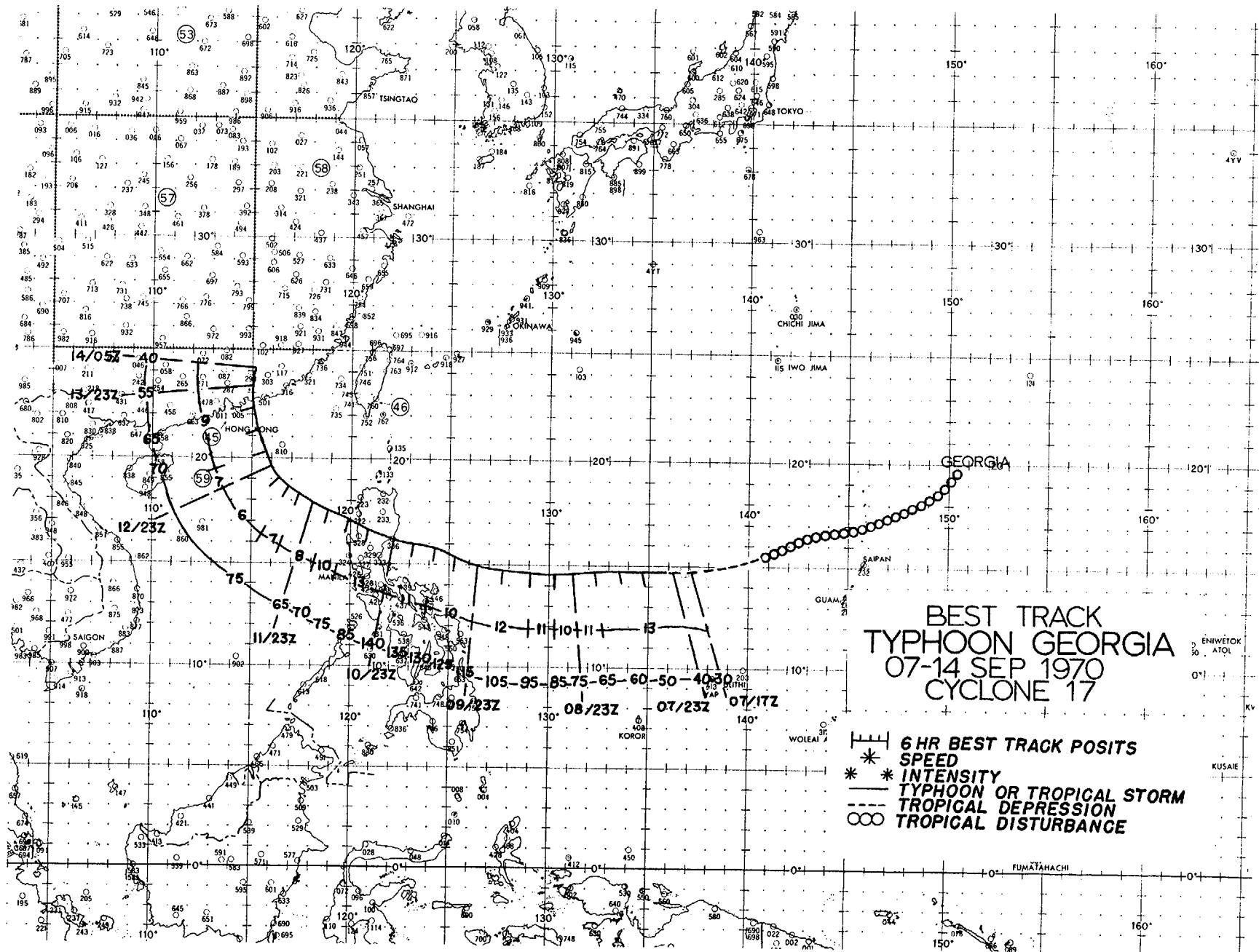
G. TYPHOON GEORGIA 07 SEP 2300Z-14 SEP 2300Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 26
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 19
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 1,718 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 904 MBS at 10/2040Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2390 M at 10/0600Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 140 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 360 MI



3. TYPHOON GEORGIA NARRATIVE

An ITOS-1 photograph on the 4th indicated that an upper tropospheric circulation in existence west of Marcus Island had developed a significant increase in convective activity along its southern periphery. The disturbance drifted southwestward toward the northern Marianas with an induced trough appearing on the 0000GMT surface chart on September 5th. The system continued on its southwestward track with a small surface circulation forming west of the Marianas a day later. An aerial reconnaissance investigation on the 8th revealed that tropical storm force had been reached and the first warning on Georgia was issued (Figure 5-13).

The storm began a westward march at 11 to 13 knots across the Philippine Sea as guided by the southern boundary of the subtropical ridge. Typhoon force was achieved early the next morning as difluent equatorward flow over the storm, from the 200 mb ridge extension south of Japan, favored further deepening.

Early on the 10th Georgia began to shift to a slightly more west northwest track, and that evening, as she neared the Luzon coastline, maximum winds occurring near the center reached super typhoon force near 140 knots. The ITOS-1 satellite showed a tightly organized ring of convective activity surrounding the storm near this time (Figure 5-14). This was further evidenced in the fact that Casiguran Weather Bureau Station on the Luzon coast, 90 miles from the center, had yet to experience gale force winds although the typhoon was only 6 hours from landfall. A reconnaissance aircraft in the 10 mile diameter eye of Georgia, a few hours before she struck shore, recorded an extremely warm 500 mb temperature of 14.5°C and indicated the deepening trend had reached 904 mb.

The typhoon slammed into North Central Luzon during the early morning hours of the 11th near Cape San Ildefonso. Extensive damage was suffered at Casiguran, which was 15 N.M. north of the center at landfall, and several surrounding small villages along the coastline. Minimum pressure at Casiguran was reported at 977.5 mb with winds estimated at 120 knots. By contrast the storm did not produce excessive torrential rains but was relatively dry with only 5.44 inches recorded during its passage at the weather station. Ninety-five persons were killed during the onslaught and an additional 80 people reported missing. Property damage was fixed near 1.4 million dollars.

The storm continued on a west northwest track across Luzon and emerged into the South China Sea 12 hours later of minimum typhoon strength due to the disrupting mountainous terrain of the island. A weakness in the ridgeline over China

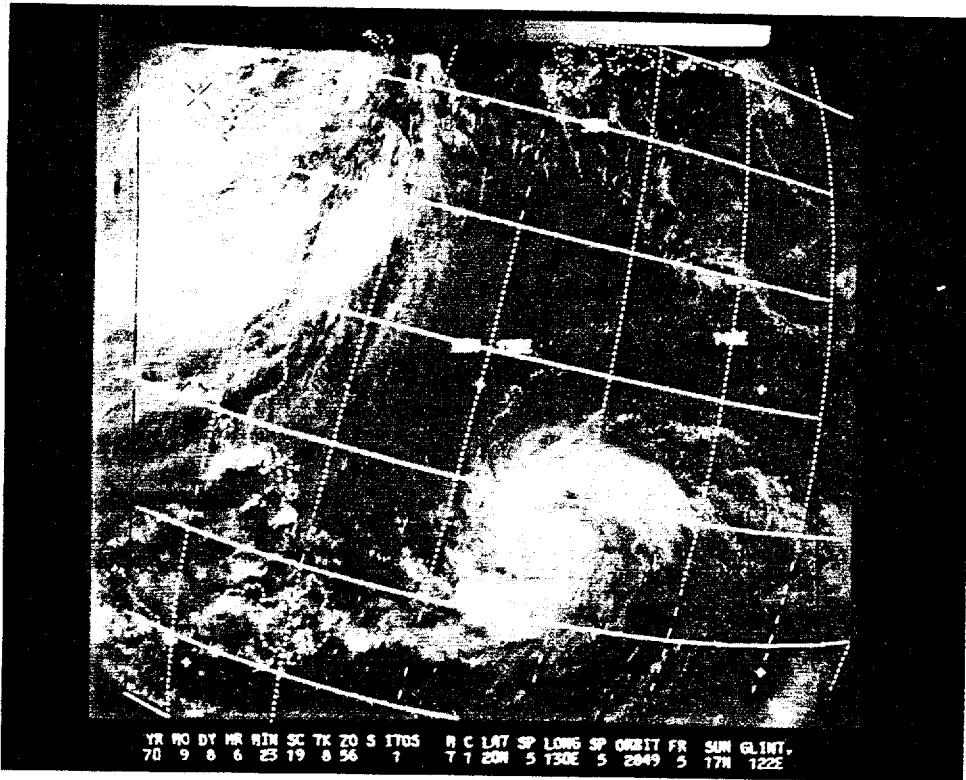


FIGURE 5-13 ITOS-1 PHOTO OF GEORGIA AS A DEVELOPING TROPICAL STORM ON 8 SEPTEMBER.

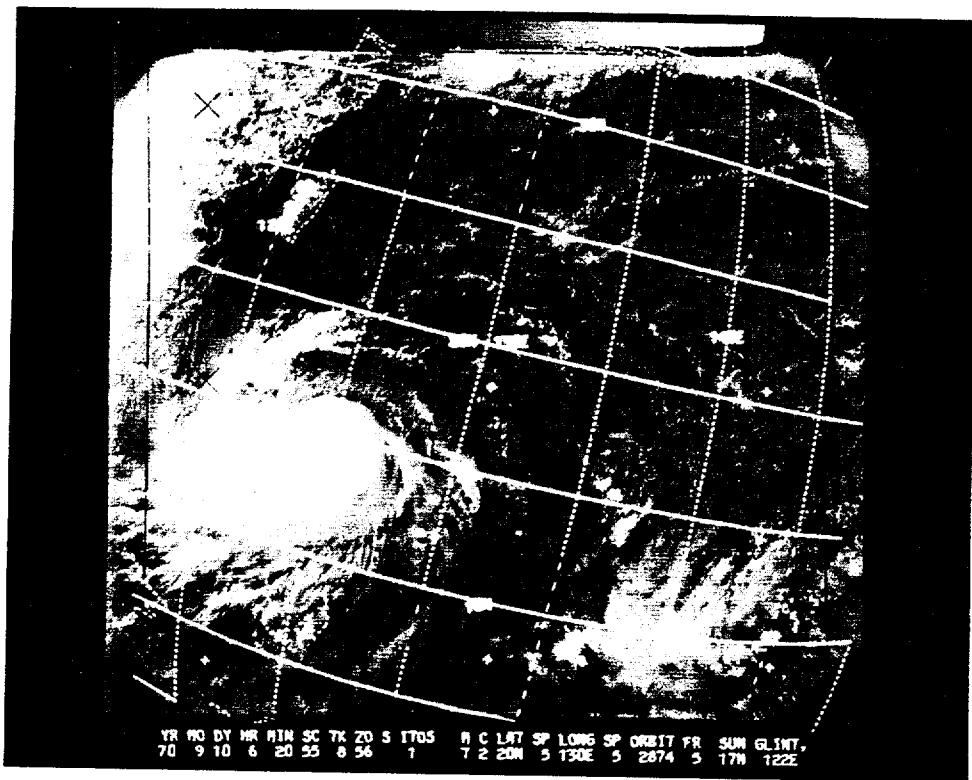


FIGURE 5-14 SUPER TYPHOON GEORGIA AS VIEWED BY ITOS-1 ON 10 SEPTEMBER JUST EAST OF LUZON.

provided a path for Georgia to recurve on a northward course with ultimate landfall occurring some 70 miles east of Hong Kong on the 14th.

The storm's intensity remained near 70 to 75 knots during its trek across the South China Sea while its eye was noted by reconnaissance crews to have expanded to some 70 miles in diameter.

By the 13th the storm came under surveillance of the radar at the Royal Observatory at Hong Kong and was later observed to cross the South China coast the following morning. Maximum gusts of 59 knots occurred at the Hong Kong International Airport while peak gusts of 56 knots were registered at the Royal Observatory. Georgia weakened rapidly after landfall and dissipated over land.

TYPHOON GEORGIA

EYE FIXES CYCLONE 17

| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | UNIT- MET- ACCY | FLT LVL | LVL WIND | SFC SLP IND | 04S MIN | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL TT/10 | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|------------|---------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | 070526Z | 14.0N 139.5E | SLTLS | SIG 3 | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 080130Z | 14.7N 135.6E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 030 | 040 000 | 3057 | 11/09 | CIRC | ---- | -- | W/C N-SE | |
| 3 | 080330Z | 14.6N 135.1E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 040 | 025 995 | 3057 | 13/08 | CIRC | ---- | -- | W/C N-SE | |
| 4 | 080623Z | 14.5N 135.0E | SLTLS | STG C | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 081015Z | 14.7N 133.9E | VW--03--- | 700MB | 042 | -- 000 | 3066 | 14/09 | ELIP | N-S | --x-- | W/C NW-S | |
| 6 | 081402Z | 14.8N 132.9E | VW--05--- | 700MB | 055 | -- 993 | 3039 | 16/09 | ELIP | ---- | 5-7NM THK, OPEN E-W | | |
| 7 | 081700Z | 14.7N 131.5E | 54--20--- | 700MB | 050 | -- 943 | 2978 | 14/10 | CIRC | ---- | 24 | CLSD, SML BRKS N QUAD | |
| 8 | 080300Z | 14.3N 130.7E | 54--10--- | 700MB | 070 | 090 975 | 2908 | 16/09 | CIRC | ---- | 14 | CLSD 4NM THK | |
| 9 | 090715Z | 14.5N 130.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 07 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 091335Z | 14.0N 128.6E | VW-- | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 11 | 091438Z | 14.7N 128.1E | VW--05--- | | -- 080 | -- | -- | --/24 | CIRC | ---- | 19 | 4NM THK, OPEN NW QUAD | |
| 12 | 091535Z | 14.7N 127.8E | VW--05--- | 700MB | -- | -- 976 | 2728 | 21/13 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | 3NM THK, OPEN N QUAD | |
| 13 | 092100Z | 14.8N 126.7E | 54--03--- | 700MB | 10 | -- 110 | 937 | 2554 | 22/09 | CIRC | ---- | 16 | CLSD 3NM THK |
| 14 | 100000Z | 15.2N 126.4E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 15 | 100105Z | 14.8N 126.2E | ACFI RDR | 300MB | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CONC | 40-20 | OUTER-CLSD, INNER-CLSD | |
| 16 | 100300Z | 15.2N 125.5E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 040 | -- 130 | 927 | 2451 | 19/09 | CIRC | ---- | 14 | CLSD 3NM THK |
| 17 | 100600Z | 15.2N 125.2E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 095 | -- 130 | 920 | 2390 | 17/11 | CIRC | ---- | 12 | CLSD 3NM THK |
| 18 | 100621Z | 15.0N 124.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | |
| 19 | 100830Z | 15.5N 124.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 20 | 100906Z | 15.6N 124.6E | 54--05--- | 400MB | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD 3NM THK |
| 21 | 100908Z | 15.5N 124.6E | VW--10--- | | 050 | 085 | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 12 | CLSD 4NM THK |
| 22 | 101030Z | 15.7N 124.5E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 23 | 101110Z | 15.6N 124.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 24 | 101200Z | 15.5N 124.3E | VW--10--- | | 045 | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 12 | CLSD 4NM THK |
| 25 | 101230Z | 15.7N 124.2E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 26 | 101530Z | 15.8N 123.4E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 27 | 101600Z | 15.8N 123.3E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 28 | 101630Z | 15.9N 123.3E | VW--02--- | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 12 | CLSD 4NM THK |
| 29 | 101725Z | 15.9N 123.1E | VW--03--- | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 12 | CLSD |
| 30 | 101730Z | 15.0N 123.0E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 31 | 101830Z | 15.0N 122.8E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 32 | 101900Z | 15.0N 122.7E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 33 | 102000Z | 15.0N 122.6E | LND RUR | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |
| 34 | 102040Z | 15.9N 122.4E | 54--03--- | 500MB | 080 | -- | -- | -- | 15/01 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD |
| 35 | 110245Z | 16.6N 121.3E | 54--10--- | 500MB | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | CIRC | ---- | 5 | CLSD ON RDR |
| 36 | 110717Z | 17.5N 120.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 110930Z | 17.3N 119.9E | VW--25--- | | -- 055 | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | NEG WALL |
| 38 | 111400Z | 17.6N 119.1E | VW--20--- | | -- 060 | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | | ILL DEFINED |
| 39 | 112100Z | 17.5N 117.8E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 055 | -- 984 | 2984 | 15/13 | CIRC | ---- | 25 | CLSD | |
| 40 | 120100Z | 18.0N 117.4E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 065 | -- 040 | 983 | 2957 | 15/13 | ---- | | | NEG W/C |
| 41 | 120619Z | 18.0N 116.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | |
| 42 | 120910Z | 18.5N 117.1E | VW--03--- | | -- 080 | 975 | -- | 26/23 | CIRC | ---- | 75 | NEG W/C | |
| 43 | 121515Z | 19.3N 116.3E | VW--06--- | | 080 | -- 982 | 2969 | 23/18 | ELIP | NW-SE | 85x70 | NEG W/C | |
| 44 | 122110Z | 19.8N 116.1E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 065 | -- 973 | 2890 | 18/13 | CIRC | ---- | 45 | OPEN S | |
| 45 | 130010Z | 19.6N 116.0E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 065 | -- 974 | 2887 | 17/12 | CIRC | ---- | 40 | OPEN NE 8NM THK | |
| 46 | 130240Z | 20.0N 115.9E | 54--05--- | 700MB | 085 | -- 950 | 974 | 2987 | 17/12 | CIRC | ---- | 60 | CENTER OPEN NE |
| 47 | 130715Z | 20.5N 115.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | |
| 48 | 130905Z | 20.7N 115.5E | VW--15--- | | 05 | -- 155 | -- | -- | --/-- | ELIP | NW-SE | 99x58 | CENTER OPEN NW |
| 49 | 131200Z | 21.5N 115.7E | VW-- | | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/-- | | | | |

TYPHOON GEORGIA

TROPICAL CYCLONE 17 -- 9/7/1700Z TO 9/14/0500Z
 POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST | | 24 HR ERROR | | 48 HR FCST | | 48 HR ERROR | | 72 HR FCST | | 72 HR ERROR | |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|--------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 07/2300Z | 14.5N | 136.0E | 14.6N | 136.1E | 15.7N | 132.9E | 054-0120 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 08/0500Z | 14.7N | 134.9E | 14.6N | 134.8E | 15.8N | 131.0E | 027-0090 | 17.5N | 128.2E | 049-0204 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 08/1100Z | 14.7N | 133.7E | 14.6N | 133.6E | 14.9N | 129.3E | 027-0024 | 16.4N | 125.5E | 051-0084 | 18.8N | 122.2E | 051-0168 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 08/1700Z | 14.7N | 132.2E | 14.7N | 132.3E | 15.4N | 127.6E | 360-0042 | 17.3N | 124.0E | 026-0096 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 08/2300Z | 14.7N | 131.1E | 14.5N | 131.2E | 15.2N | 126.3E | 360-0018 | 16.8N | 122.5E | 021-0048 | 19.2N | 119.2E | 036-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 09/0500Z | 14.4N | 130.3E | 14.4N | 130.2E | 14.5N | 126.0E | 144-0048 | 15.8N | 122.1E | 126-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 09/1100Z | 14.3N | 129.3E | 14.5N | 129.0E | 14.6N | 125.4E | 131-0078 | 15.7N | 121.8E | 124-0138 | 17.1N | 118.3E | 138-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 09/1700Z | 14.7N | 127.6E | 14.7N | 127.7E | 15.2N | 123.3E | 170-0036 | 16.4N | 119.9E | 134-0084 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 09/2300Z | 14.8N | 126.3E | 14.9N | 126.4E | 15.7N | 121.7E | 226-0024 | 17.4N | 118.0E | 180-0024 | 20.0N | 114.8E | 289-0066 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 10/0500Z | 15.2N | 125.1E | 15.2N | 125.4E | 17.5N | 120.9E | 000-0054 | 19.4N | 117.3E | 000-0066 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 10/1100Z | 15.7N | 124.3E | 15.5N | 124.3E | 17.6N | 120.7E | 054-0060 | 19.6N | 117.0E | 013-0054 | 22.2N | 113.8E | 305-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 10/1700Z | 16.2N | 123.4E | 15.8N | 123.2E | 18.1N | 119.7E | 049-0060 | 20.2N | 116.1E | 349-0066 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 10/2300Z | 16.2N | 122.1E | 16.0N | 122.1E | 18.3N | 118.3E | 022-0030 | 21.1N | 115.2E | 334-0096 | 24.6N | 113.3E | 309-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 11/0500Z | 16.7N | 121.0E | 16.6N | 120.9E | 18.7N | 117.1E | 345-0024 | 21.2N | 113.9E | 299-0108 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 11/1100Z | 17.3N | 119.9E | 17.0N | 119.8E | 19.3N | 116.3E | 326-0042 | 22.0N | 113.1E | 290-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 11/1700Z | 17.9N | 118.6E | 17.4N | 118.8E | 20.3N | 115.0E | 312-0102 | 23.2N | 112.0E | 289-0180 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 11/2300Z | 17.9N | 118.1E | 17.8N | 118.1E | 19.4N | 114.6E | 262-0078 | 21.5N | 111.4E | 245-0228 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 12/0500Z | 18.2N | 117.3E | 18.3N | 117.3E | 19.6N | 114.2E | 244-0090 | 21.7N | 111.1E | 238-0264 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 12/1100Z | 18.4N | 116.9E | 18.7N | 116.8E | 19.7N | 114.2E | 217-0108 | 21.5N | 111.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 12/1700Z | 19.0N | 116.2E | 19.1N | 116.4E | 20.8N | 113.4E | 229-0126 | 23.4N | 110.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 12/2300Z | 19.7N | 116.1E | 19.6N | 116.0E | 20.8N | 115.5E | 175-0144 | 22.9N | 114.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 13/0500Z | 20.1N | 115.8E | 20.3N | 115.7E | 22.0N | 115.1E | 180-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 13/1100Z | 20.7N | 115.5E | 21.2N | 115.4E | 23.1N | 114.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 13/1700Z | 21.5N | 115.3E | 22.2N | 115.2E | 24.8N | 115.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 13/2300Z | 22.9N | 115.2E | 23.2N | 115.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 14/0500Z | 23.6N | 115.1E | 24.1N | 115.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0069 MI.
 AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0114 MI.
 AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0116 MI.

H. TYPHOON HOPE 20 SEP 0500Z-29 SEP 0500Z

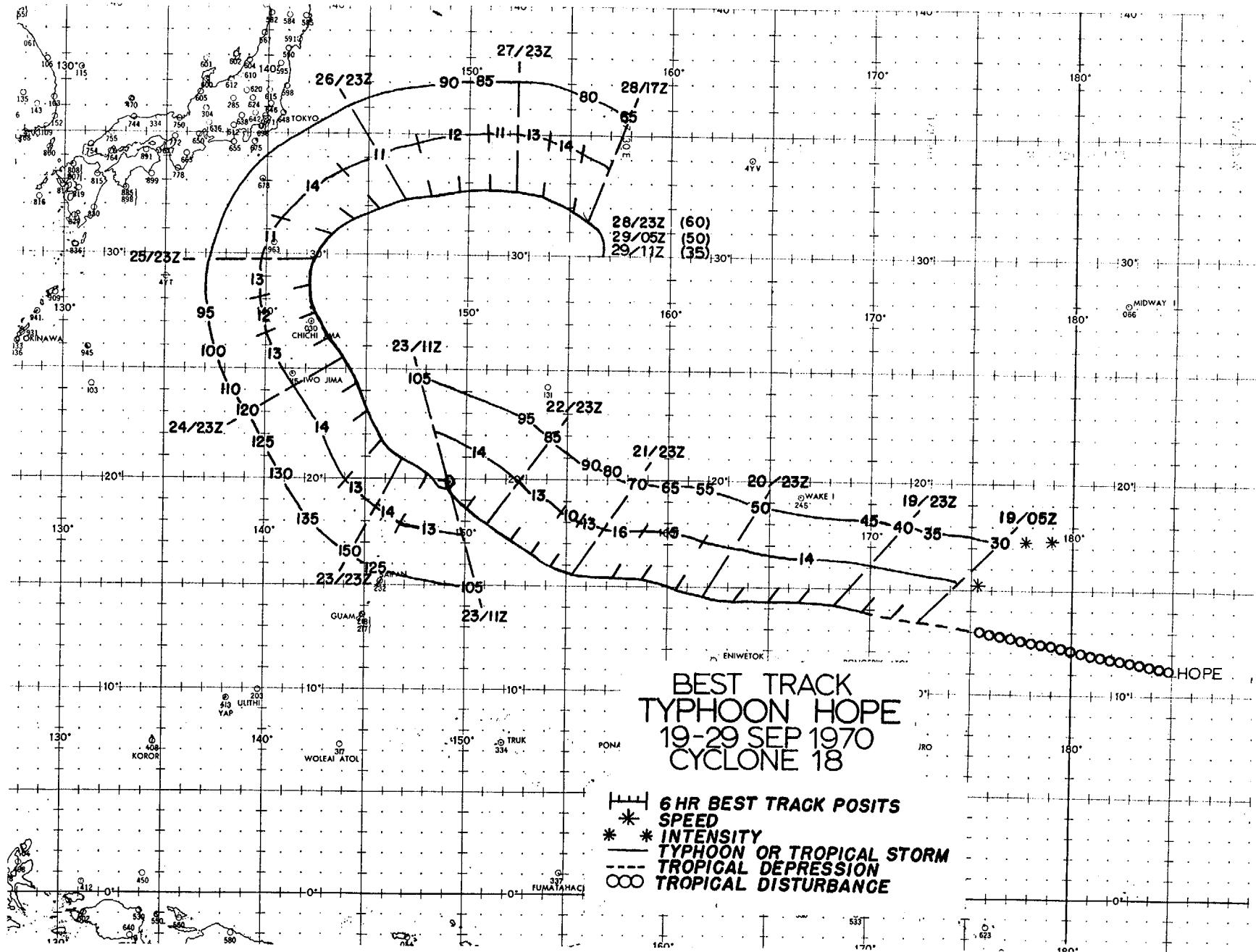
1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 37
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 27
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 3,034 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 895 MBS at 23/2100Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2219 M at 23/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 150 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 180 MI

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3. TYPHOON HOPE NARRATIVE

Hope spent her seven day period of typhoon intensity describing a parabolic track around the September mean position of the subtropical high pressure system in the West Pacific.

Digitized ITOS-1 mosaics indicate that the initial disturbance can be tracked back to the Central Pacific south of Johnston Island as early as the 14th. Successive mosaics showed the system to move westward about 5 degrees of longitude per day with an apparent slowdown on crossing the International Date Line. On the 19th a reconnaissance aircraft was dispatched from Wake Island to the suspect area and located a weak circulation north of the Marshall Islands with a 1007 mb central pressure.

The tropical cyclone progressed on a west northwest course north of the Caroline Islands at 14 to 15 knots for the next two days. Upon reaching typhoon intensity early on the 22nd, Hope changed to a northwestward course as the ridge line weakened in the vicinity of 145-150°E. The storm moved on this heading for two days and continued to deepen reaching super typhoon force during the night of the 23rd to 24th. (See Figure 5-15.)

The 200 mb pattern at this time resembled that described by Miller (1957) as favorable for maximum intensity for hurricanes. An upper tropospheric trough extending from Southern Japan and west of Iwo Jima was stationed to the northwest of the typhoon. This combined with Hope's already large upper level anticyclone, provided considerable evacuation of mass outflow to the westerlies.

Aerial reconnaissance at daybreak on the 24th logged a central pressure of 895 mb, the lowest to occur in the Northern Hemisphere during 1970. When compared with the dropsonde reading 24 hours earlier of 979 mb, this represented a phenomenal drop of some 84 mb². A 14.5°C rise in temperature was noted on penetration at the 700 mb level with 27°C recorded inside the eight mile diameter eye. Maximum winds at this time were estimated to be 150 knots.

The typhoon dropped below super status the following morning as it neared the Volcano Island group on a slightly more northward course. The center passed 30 miles east of Chi Chi Jima the evening of the 25th with the island reporting

⁴A drop of 87 mb in 24 hours was observed in IDA-1958, as the typhoon reached a record low central pressure of 877 mb (see Jordan, 1959).

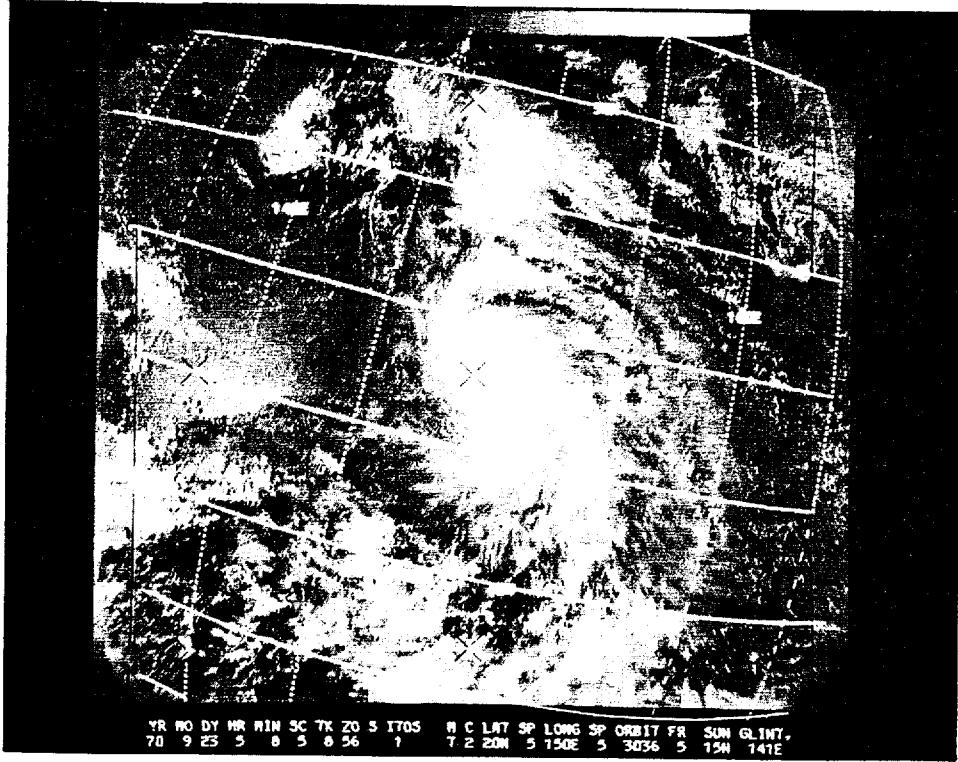


FIGURE 5-15 ITOS-1 VIEW OF SUPER TYPHOON HOPE ON THE AFTERNOON OF 23 SEPTEMBER DURING PERIOD OF MAXIMUM DEEPENING.

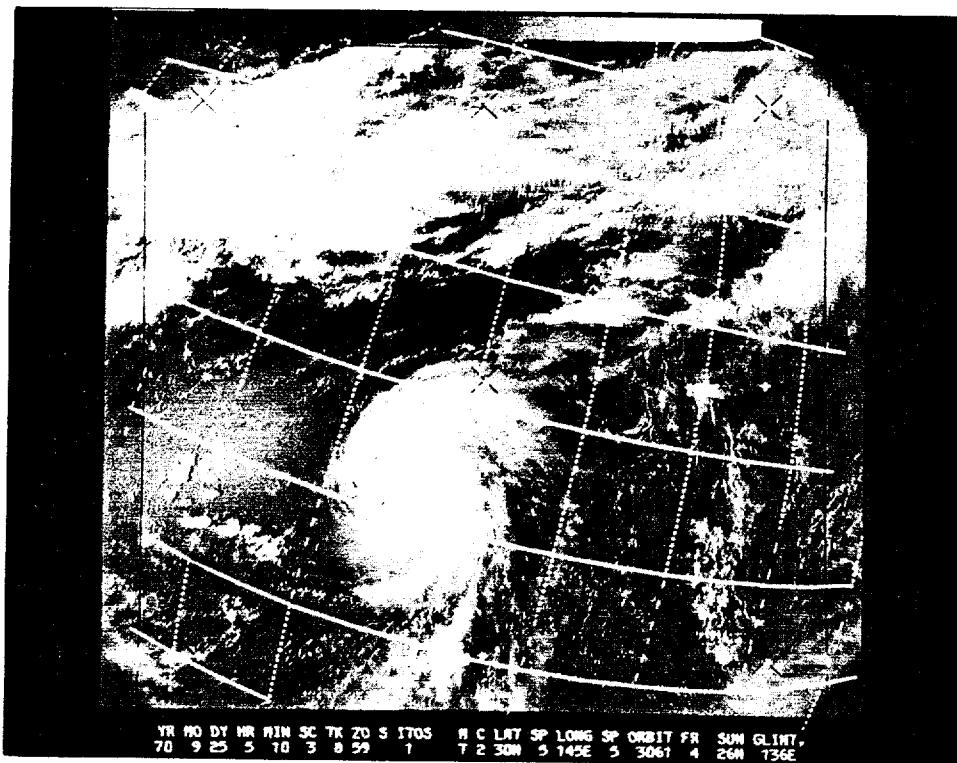


FIGURE 5-16 TYPHOON HOPE AS SEEN BY ITOS-1 ON 25 AUGUST A SHORT DISTANCE FROM CHI JIMA ISLAND.

45 knot sustained and wind gusts to 89 knots with a barometer reading of 972.5 mb (Figure 5-16).

Hope shortly thereafter began to recurve and shift to a northeastward heading on the 26th. Like Clara, the storm was too far south to be accelerated northeast by an approaching short wave in the westerlies. By the next day it was forced on an easterly track by the northerly component behind this trough. However, the steering eventually pushed Hope south of east on the 28th toward the Mid-Pacific 200 mb shear line. This effectively reduced Hope to less than typhoon intensity in a 12 hour period as outflow from the system was impeded. As the storm drifted further south and under the shear aloft, it weakened to depression status and began to describe an anti-cyclonic hook to the west as it slowly dissipated.

The marked demise of a developed typhoon remaining over warm waters is an unusual event in the West Pacific, however, a not too infrequent occurrence in the Atlantic. Similar cases are mentioned by Sugg and Pelisser (1968) in discussion of Hurricane Beulah in the Western Caribbean in 1967 and Simpson, Sugg and Staff (1970) for Hurricane Holly in the Atlantic in 1969.

TYPHOON HOPE

TYphoon HOPE

| FLX NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | | 19 | PBS | 04S | MIN | FLT | DRIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER |
|------------|---------|--------------|--------------------------|------------|-------------|------------|-----|------|-------|------|------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | UNIT- MET-O. -ACCY | FLT LVL | LVL WIND | SFC IND | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | 271530Z | 32.5N 150.9E | VW-->10--- | | 0d5 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | ---- | 42 | OPEN 12NM THK, OPEN S-W |
| 50 | 272100Z | 32.7N 151.7E | 54-->05--- | 700mb | 0d7 | 100 | 968 | 2847 | 23/17 | CIRC | ---- | 40 | POORLY DEF, OPEN S & W | |
| 51 | 280409Z | 32.5N 153.5E | SLT+S | STG X | 01A 0.3 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | ----- |
| 52 | 280440Z | 32.3N 153.5E | 54-->03--- | 700mb | 0d5 | 120 | 968 | 2902 | 26/23 | CIRC | ---- | 40 | W/C NE QUAD | |
| 53 | 280900Z | 31.9N 154.8E | VW-->15--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | ---- | 70 | OPEN S, DISORG | |
| 54 | 281935Z | 32.1N 155.1E | VW-->07--- | | --- | 000 | 977 | --- | 25/21 | CIRC | ---- | 60 | OPEN S W/C NE QUAD | |
| 55 | 281400Z | 32.0N 155.6E | VW-->30--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | NEG W/C | |
| 56 | 290030Z | 30.9N 156.6E | 54-->30--- | 700mb | --- | 060 | 997 | 3091 | 17/14 | --- | | | NEG W/C | |
| 57 | 290300Z | 30.9N 156.5E | 54-->20--- | 450mb | --- | 060 | 996 | --- | 24/- | --- | | | NEG W/C | |
| 58 | 290505Z | 30.3N 156.5E | SLT+S | STG - | 01A -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | ----- |

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TYPHOON HOPE

TROPICAL CYCLONE 18 -- 9/19/1700Z TO 9/29/0500Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | BEST TRACK | 24 HR FCST | 24 HR ERROR | 48 HR FCST | 48 HR ERROR | 72 HR FCST | 72 HR ERROR |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| | | LAT LONG | LAT LONG | LAT LONG | DEG DIST | LAT LONG | DEG DIST | LAT LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 20/0500Z | 14.1N 166.6E | 14.2N 166.5E | 15.5N 161.4E | 057-0060 | 17.1N 157.2E | 066-0180 | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 20/1100Z | 14.4N 165.3E | 14.2N 164.9E | 15.8N 160.2E | 062-0084 | 17.6N 156.1E | 066-0168 | 19.0N 152.2E | 104-0186 |
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| 07 | 21/1700Z | 15.2N 157.3E | 15.3N 157.3E | 16.2N 151.8E | 204-0054 | 17.8N 147.2E | 202-0144 | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 21/2300Z | 15.5N 155.4E | 15.5N 155.3E | 16.5N 148.9E | 241-0144 | 18.4N 143.4E | 234-0240 | 20.5N 138.8E | 226-0402 |
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| 13 | 23/0500Z | 18.4N 150.2E | 18.8N 150.0E | 21.1N 146.1E | 171-0042 | 23.7N 142.3E | 196-0156 | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 23/1100Z | 19.8N 149.1E | 19.8N 149.0E | 25.2N 147.0E | 036-0150 | 28.9N 144.4E | 047-0138 | 33.5N 145.4E | 023-0138 |
| 15 | 23/1700Z | 20.1N 148.4E | 20.1N 148.2E | 23.7N 145.6E | 116-0066 | 27.3N 143.8E | 132-0114 | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 23/2300Z | 20.9N 147.1E | 20.8N 146.9E | 24.2N 143.0E | 220-0084 | 28.0N 140.8E | 220-0132 | 32.9N 143.4E | 281-0174 |
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| 18 | 24/1100Z | 22.4N 145.2E | 23.1N 145.3E | 26.5N 142.0E | 201-0048 | 30.9N 142.1E | 259-0114 | 36.3N 147.3E | 334-0246 |
| 19 | 24/1700Z | 24.0N 144.4E | 24.2N 144.5E | 29.6N 143.0E | 035-0072 | 35.0N 146.8E | 017-0204 | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 24/2300Z | 25.2N 144.0E | 25.3N 144.0E | 30.3N 143.2E | 046-0048 | 36.9N 148.6E | 017-0288 | ----- | ----- |
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| 25 | 26/0500Z | 30.7N 143.0E | 30.6N 143.1E | 36.2N 150.2E | 024-0252 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 26/1100Z | 31.2N 144.2E | 31.3N 144.3E | 37.3N 153.6E | 036-0342 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 26/1700Z | 31.8N 145.6E | 31.7N 145.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 26/2300Z | 32.3N 146.8E | 32.3N 146.9E | 33.9N 152.2E | 360-0084 | 33.7N 159.3E | 040-0204 | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 27/0500Z | 32.3N 147.9E | 32.3N 148.1E | 32.3N 152.5E | 270-0060 | 31.8N 158.6E | 061-0120 | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 27/1100Z | 32.5N 149.6E | 32.6N 149.5E | 32.5N 155.5E | 019-0036 | 32.8N 162.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 31 | 27/1700Z | 32.5N 151.5E | 32.6N 151.0E | 32.5N 157.8E | 058-0108 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
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| 33 | 28/0500Z | 32.4N 153.6E | 32.3N 153.7E | 32.3N 159.3E | 057-0162 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
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| 35 | 28/1700Z | 32.0N 156.3E | 31.5N 155.9E | 32.1N 161.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 36 | 28/2300Z | 31.2N 156.5E | 31.0N 156.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 37 | 29/0500Z | 30.9N 156.5E | 30.8N 156.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0101 MI.
 AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0204 MI.
 AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0242 MI.

I. TYPHOON IRIS 03 OCT 2300Z-08 OCT 0500Z

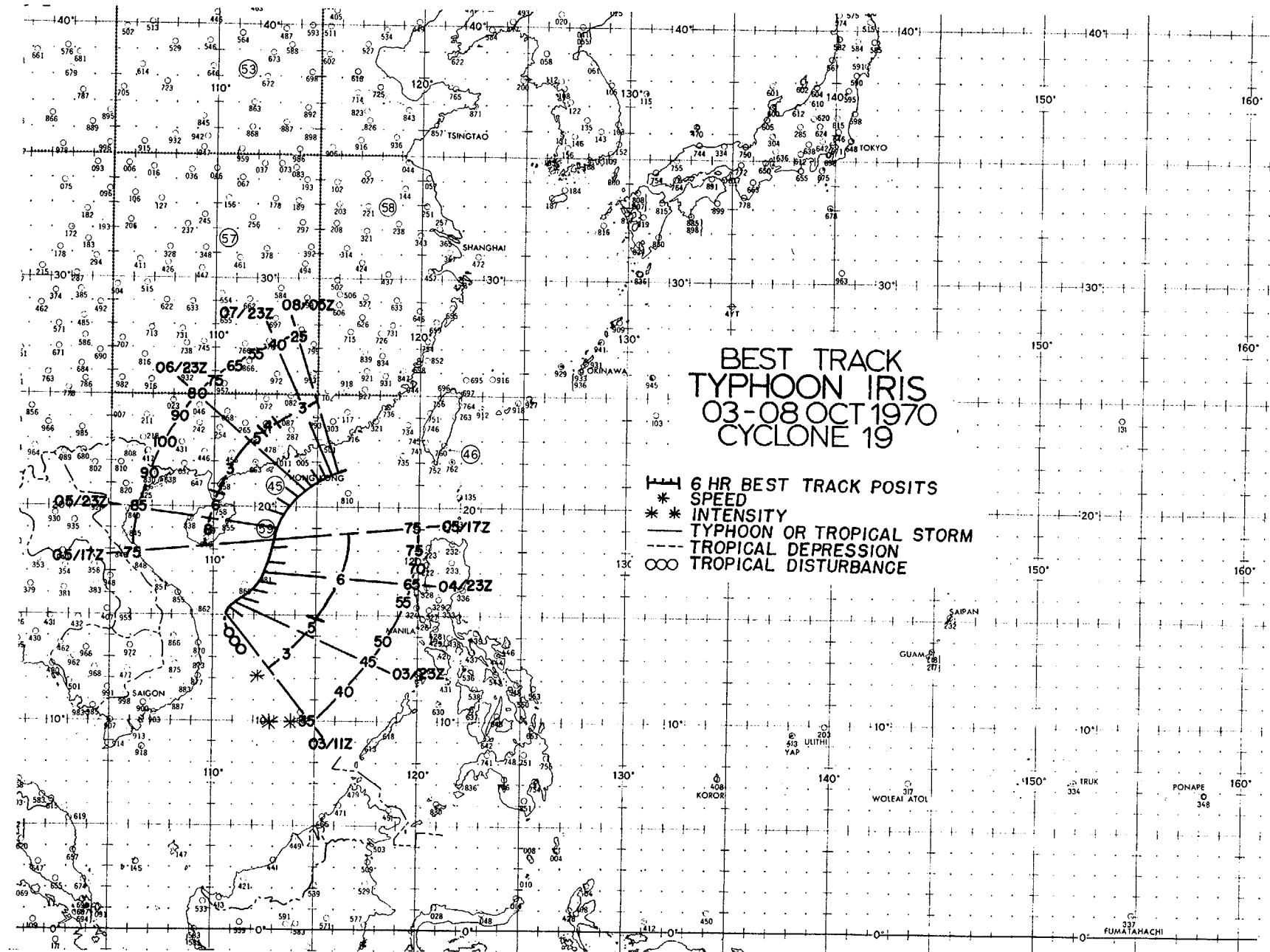
1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 18
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 11
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 492 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 944 MBS at 06/0902Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2743 M at 06/0315Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 100 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 180 MI

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3. TYPHOON IRIS NARRATIVE

Iris was the first tropical storm in the waters of the South China Sea to develop to typhoon strength in the month of October since 1957.

A surge in the northeast monsoon late in September created a rather sharp northeast to southwest shear line across the South China Sea by early October. This intensified the lower tropospheric cyclonic shear in the western portion of the area and as the surge began to recede on the 2nd, a small weak circulation remained off the Vietnam Coast.

Evidence of a developing storm became apparent on the 3rd as gradient level winds (3,000 feet) along the central Vietnam Coast ran as high as 46 knots while showing a sharp cyclonic curvature. An aerial reconnaissance investigation on the 4th located Iris 135 miles east of Quang Ngai with maximum winds of 45 knots, a weak wall cloud, and a central pressure of 992 mb.

With the presence of a southern extension of a mid-tropospheric ridge to the east of the storm and a weak trough to the northwest, Iris moved at a rate of 5 to 6 knots towards the northeast. Evidence of further deepening was noted during the morning of the 5th (Figure 5-17) as the USS Chipola passed within 3 miles of the eye recording a barometer drop to 985 mb, while the Chinese weather station in the Parce Island group, 10 miles west of the center, reported winds of 68 knots.

A jet max associated with a 200 mb trough in central China provided the main mechanism for outflow from the system as Iris reached its maximum intensity the afternoon of the 6th about 140 miles south of Hong Kong. Aerial reconnaissance at this time observed a central pressure of 944 mb and winds estimated near 100 knots.

The eye of Iris came under surveillance of the Hong Kong Royal Observatory radar early on the 7th (Figure 5-18) and commenced to slow to a forward speed of 3 knots. The system completely collapsed in less than a 24 hour period as a 200 mb short wave emerging from the Gulf of Tonkin arrived in the vicinity on the 7th. Upon drifting over the storm the confluent pattern aloft inhibited any further outflow from the storm and by the following afternoon the typhoon was reduced to little more than a depression. All traces of Iris had disappeared by the 9th.

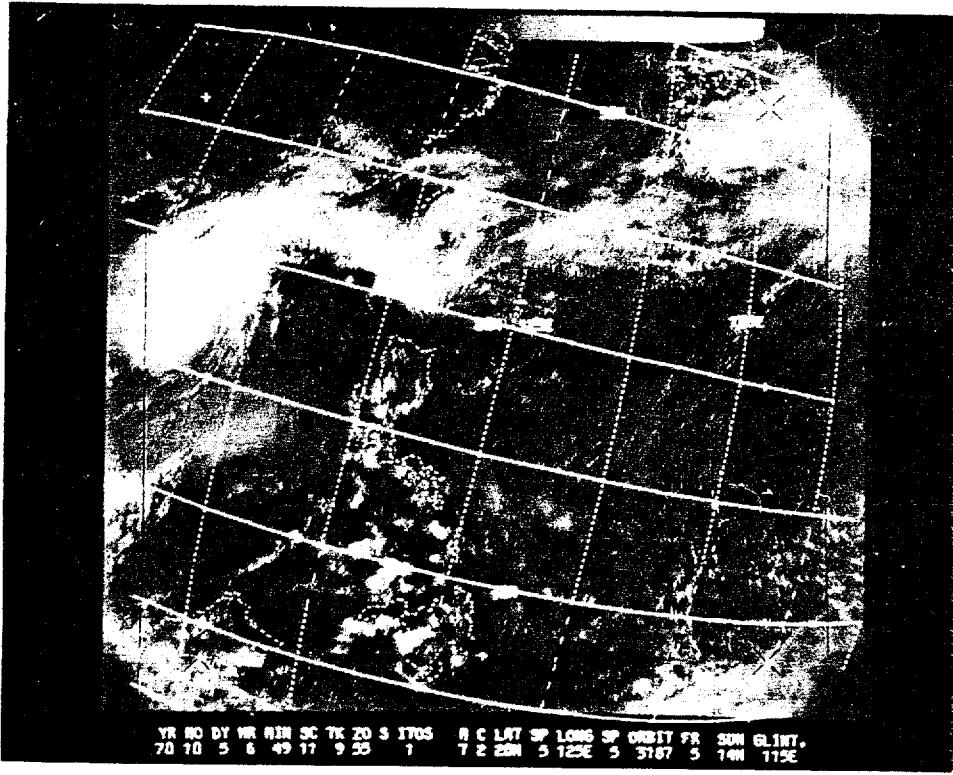


FIGURE 5-17 ITOS-1 PHOTO OF IRIS THE AFTERNOON OF 5 OCTOBER AS A NEWLY DEVELOPED TYPHOON.

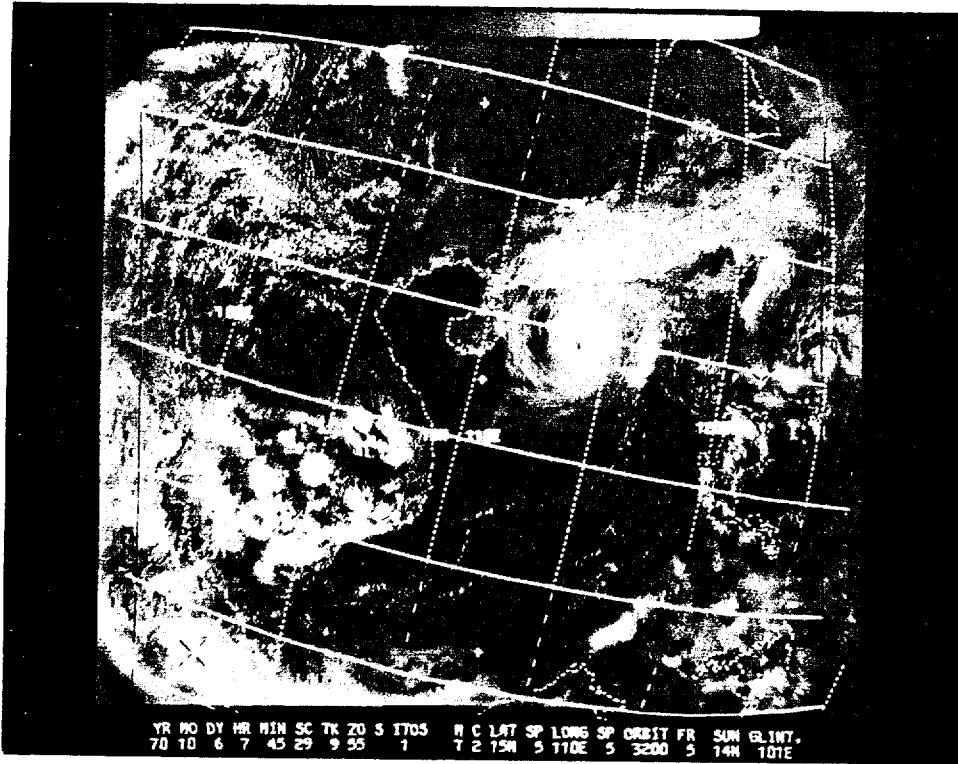


FIGURE 5-18 TYPHOON IRIS LOCATED SOUTH OF HONG KONG ON 7 OCTOBER.

| TYPHOON IRIS EYE FIXES CYCLONE 19 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|--------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------|------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | UNIT- MET- TAC | FLT LVL | LVL WIND | SFC AND | DBS SLP | DHS MIN | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL | TT/T0 | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
| 1 | 040012Z | 15.5N 111.4E | VW-->10--- | --- | 045 | 992 | --- | 26/24 | CIRC | --- | 29 | WK W/C CLOSED | | | |
| 2 | 040200Z | 15.9N 111.2E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 3 | 040315Z | 15.6N 111.3E | VW-->05--- | --- | 050 | 990 | --- | 26/23 | CIRC | --- | | CLSD 8-15NM THK | | | |
| 4 | 040400Z | 16.0N 111.3E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 5 | 040610Z | 15.7N 111.6E | 54-->05--- 700MB | 045 | 045 | 994 | 3027 | 15/10 | CIRC | --- | 40 | APRNT CLSD W/C | | | |
| 6 | 040748Z | 15.5N 111.5E | SLTLS STG C | 01A | -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | 050130Z | 17.4N 112.6E | SHR RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 8 | 050320Z | 17.3N 112.5E | VW-->03--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CLSD | | | |
| 9 | 050649Z | 17.5N 112.5E | SLTLS STG X | 01A 02 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | 050801Z | 17.8N 112.9E | VW-->05--- 700MB | 090 | 075 | 973 | 2911 | 26/23 | ELIP | NW-SE | 18X-- | CLSD ALQUADS 5-7NM THK | | | |
| 11 | 051440Z | 18.4N 113.0E | VW-->07--- | 015 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CLSD | | | |
| 12 | 052031Z | 19.0N 113.0E | VW-->10--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CLSD 5-7NM THK | | | |
| 13 | 052200Z | 19.0N 113.1E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 14 | 060100Z | 19.4N 113.2E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 15 | 060315Z | 19.6N 113.4E | 54-->07--- 700MB | 070 | 080 | 960 | 2743 | 16/09 | CIRC | --- | 21 | CLSD | | | |
| 16 | 060535Z | 19.8N 113.7E | 54-->05--- 700MB | 080 | 090 | 960 | 2749 | 15/09 | CIRC | --- | 18 | CLSD | | | |
| 17 | 060600Z | 19.7N 113.5E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 18 | 060746Z | 19.5N 113.5E | SLTLS STG X | 01A 01 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 | 060900Z | 19.7N 113.7E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 20 | 060902Z | 19.9N 113.9E | VW-->10--- | 100 | 944 | --- | 24/23 | CIRC | --- | 23 | CLSD | | | | |
| 21 | 061000Z | 19.9N 113.7E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 22 | 061200Z | 20.0N 113.9E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 23 | 061400Z | 20.3N 114.4E | VW-->20--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ELIP | NW-SE | 25X12 | 12NM THK, OPEN S | | |
| 24 | 061900Z | 20.3N 113.9E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 25 | 062200Z | 20.4N 114.0E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 42 | | | |
| 26 | 062300Z | 20.4N 114.1E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 42 | | | |
| 27 | 070000Z | 20.5N 114.2E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 34 | | | |
| 28 | 070125Z | 20.6N 114.5E | 54-->03--- 700MB | 090 | 090 | 975 | 2896 | 18/09 | CIRC | --- | 20 | CLSD | | | |
| 29 | 070400Z | 20.7N 114.6E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 30 | | | |
| 30 | 070425Z | 20.8N 114.7E | 54-->03--- 700MB | 085 | 080 | 980 | 2920 | 17/08 | CIRC | --- | 20 | | W/C DSPTG SE QUAD | | |
| 31 | 070600Z | 20.8N 114.7E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 32 | | | |
| 32 | 070647Z | 22.0N 115.5E | SLTLS STG X | 01A 01 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 33 | 070800Z | 20.8N 114.8E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 34 | 071000Z | 20.9N 115.2E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 35 | 071100Z | 20.8N 115.2E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |
| 36 | 071400Z | 21.1N 115.7E | LND RVR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | |

TYPHOON IRIS

TROPICAL CYCLONE 19 -- 10/3/1100Z TO 10/8/0500Z
 POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST | | 24 HR ERROR | | 48 HR FCST | | 48 HR ERROR | | 72 HR FCST | | 72 HR ERROR | |
|----------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|--------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 03/2300Z | 15.5N | 111.3E | 15.4N | 111.0E | 15.5N | 111.3E | 217-0108 | 15.1N | 109.7E | 219-0324 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 04/0500Z | 15.6N | 111.3E | 15.6N | 111.4E | 15.6N | 111.3E | 215-0138 | 15.2N | 109.7E | 221-0360 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 04/1100Z | 15.7N | 111.6E | 16.0N | 111.8E | 15.7N | 111.6E | 208-0150 | 15.3N | 109.5E | 222-0378 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 04/1700Z | 16.2N | 112.5E | 16.4N | 112.2E | 17.4N | 114.1E | 140-0090 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 04/2300Z | 17.0N | 112.4E | 17.0N | 112.5E | 18.9N | 114.3E | 113-0054 | 20.9N | 117.1E | 084-0150 | 22.7N | 121.0E | 075-0306 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 05/0500Z | 17.5N | 112.8E | 17.5N | 112.7E | 19.4N | 114.7E | 116-0048 | 21.1N | 116.8E | 082-0114 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 05/1100Z | 18.0N | 113.2E | 18.0N | 112.9E | 20.1N | 115.4E | 086-0084 | 22.6N | 118.9E | 067-0234 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 05/1700Z | 18.5N | 113.3E | 18.6N | 113.0E | 20.3N | 115.5E | 090-0078 | 22.4N | 118.7E | 068-0198 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 05/2300Z | 19.3N | 113.1E | 19.3N | 113.3E | 22.1N | 113.4E | 329-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 06/0500Z | 19.8N | 113.8E | 19.8N | 113.8E | 22.4N | 114.1E | 342-0096 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 06/1100Z | 20.1N | 114.1E | 20.0N | 113.9E | 21.8N | 116.2E | 054-0078 | 23.9N | 118.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 06/1700Z | 20.6N | 114.7E | 20.3N | 114.1E | 22.3N | 116.7E | 048-0102 | 24.4N | 118.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 06/2300Z | 20.5N | 114.4E | 20.6N | 114.4E | 21.9N | 115.1E | 326-0042 | 23.3N | 115.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 07/0500Z | 20.8N | 114.6E | 20.8N | 114.7E | 22.2N | 115.3E | ----- | 23.7N | 115.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 07/1100Z | 21.1N | 114.9E | 21.0N | 115.0E | 22.2N | 115.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 07/1700Z | 21.6N | 115.0E | 21.1N | 115.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 07/2300Z | 21.1N | 115.5E | 21.3N | 115.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 08/0500Z | 21.3N | 115.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0090 MI.
 AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0251 MI.
 AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0306 MI.

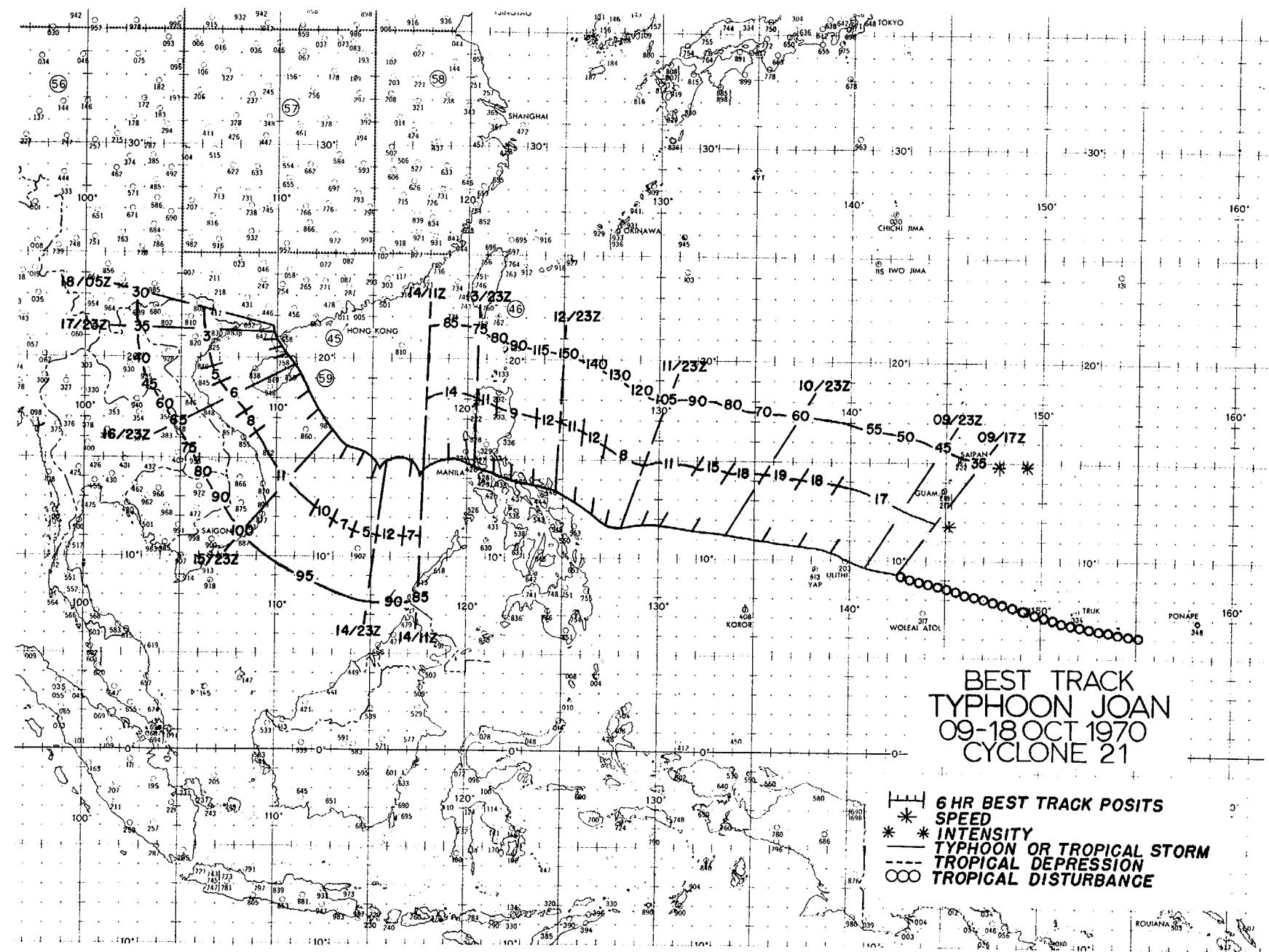
J. TYPHOON JOAN 09 OCT 2300Z-18 OCT 0500Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 34
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 25
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,254 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 901 MBS at 12/2100Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2332 M at 12/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 150 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 720 MI



3. TYPHOON JOAN NARRATIVE

Joan was the first of two sister super typhoons to strike the Republic of the Philippines within a period of a week.

The disturbance which was to become Joan entered on stage in the Truk-Ponape area of the Caroline Islands on the 8th of October. Upper air data revealed the existence of a 200 mb circulation two days earlier and by the 8th a downward reflection of the system appeared as a wave in the surface pressure pattern. Meanwhile, the subtropical ridge was strengthening, producing a tightening pressure gradient and resulting in favorable relative vorticity pattern for increasing mass inflow into the system. As a consequence of the strong easterly trades the wave disturbance began a westward movement of 17 knots. A surface circulation developed by the morning of the 9th and that afternoon, Joan passed Ulithi Atoll having reached tropical storm force.

Upon achieving typhoon intensity by noon the 11th, the storm's forward speed reduced to 11 knots while it moved within the southern periphery of a 200 mb anticyclone situated 300 miles southeast of Okinawa. In response to the increasing divergence pattern aloft, the central pressure began to drop steadily from 976 to 924 mb by late the following afternoon. As Joan approached super typhoon intensity, she reacted to a weakness in the ridge line and shifted to a more northwesterly component, thus aiming the storm at the southeastern peninsula of Luzon.

The cooler upper tropospheric environment of westerlies surrounding the typhoon's northern periphery served as a marked zone of contrast to the vast quantities of warm air being pumped out from the wall cloud region during this deepening period. The strong thermal wind effect in this area of merging air contributed to the production of an upper jet of westerly winds extending over a considerable distance. Evidence of the extensive outflow in existence on October 12th is depicted by the generation of a long band of cirrus stretching some 1,200 miles from Manila to Guam (see Figure 5-19). The narrow jet along the northern and eastern periphery of Joan was present as far east as Guam which reported at 200 mb west northwesterly winds of 50 knots.

The severity the typhoon had attained was testified to by an aerial reconnaissance crew which entered Joan before daybreak on the 13th. Upon penetration of the wall cloud region, the aircraft encountered severe turbulence accompanied by a "g" load force of 2.5. Once in the eye, the closed wall cloud topping above 35,000 feet gave a stadium bowl effect as revealed

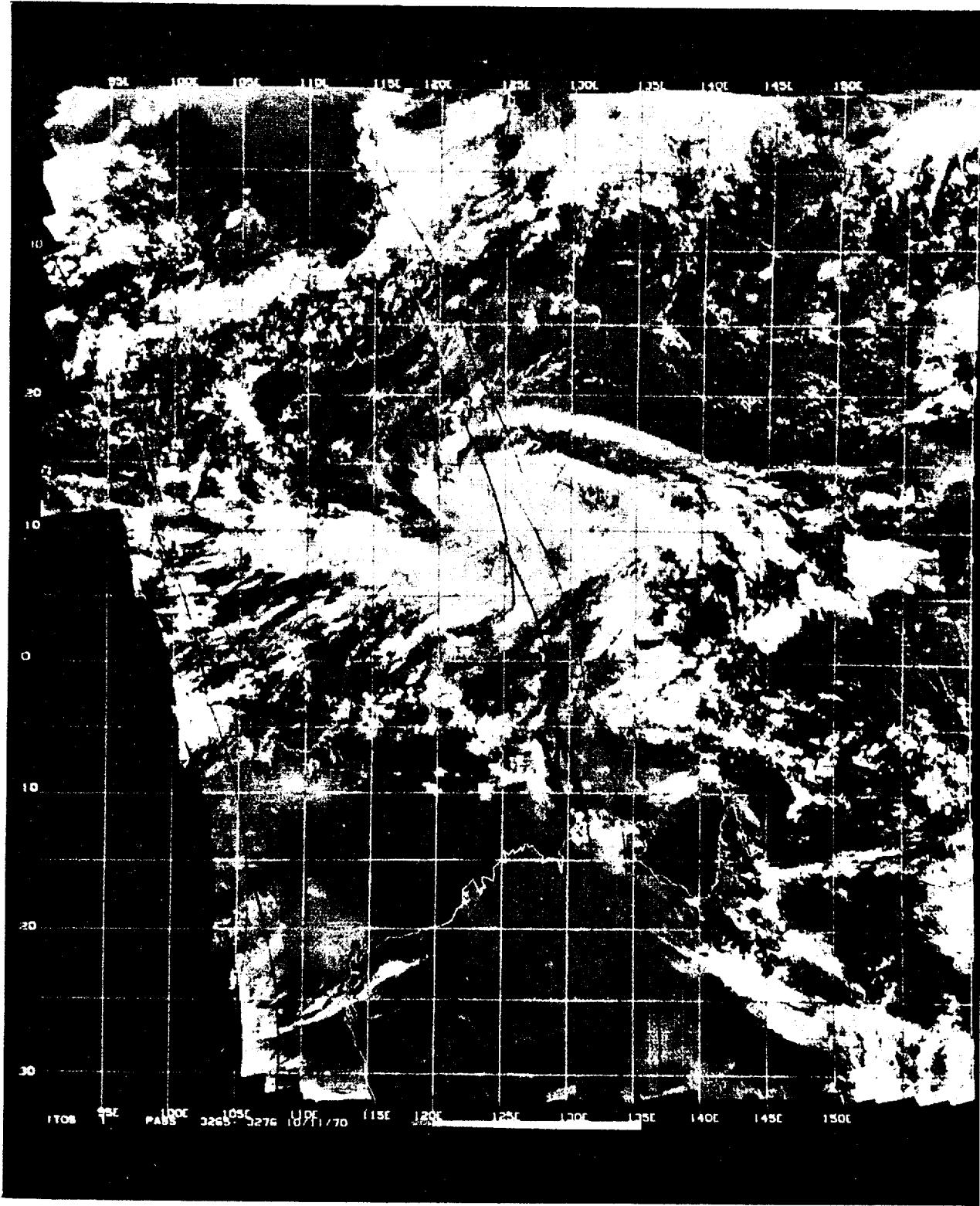


FIGURE 5-19 ITOS-1 MOSAIC ON 12 OCTOBER (LOCAL SUN TIME) DEPICTING EXTENSIVE CIRRUS BAND ON THE PERIPHERY OF TYPHOON JOAN'S OUTFLOW REGION.

by the continuous lightning occurring in all quadrants of the encircling coliseum. A dropsonde reading of 901 mb and max 700 mb temperature of 23.5°C was obtained while orbiting in the 25 mile diameter eye. Maximum surface wind occurring under the wall cloud region was estimated at 150 knots as daylight began. Looking for a weakness in the radar return to avoid further encounters with severe turbulence, the aircraft was forced to climb to 22,000 feet before exit was made. The temperature recorded at 500 mb during this climb was measured at +8.4°C.

Joan made landfall near noon in the Lagonoy Gulf region of southeastern Luzon after skirting the southern coast of Catanduanes Island. The U. S. Coast Guard loran station on the island, 30 miles north of the center, registered winds of 90 knots gusting to 110 knots before the anemometer failed. Lowest barometer reading was 973 mb. On the southern portion of the island the Philippine Weather Bureau station at Virac was heavily damaged but recorded a minimum sea level pressure of 950.7 mb and winds estimated near 150 knots.

The typhoon swept through the southern extent of Luzon moving across Bicol and Tagalog provinces and gradually losing strength. Passing some 20 miles south of Manila on the morning of the 14th, the International airport reported peak gusts of 84 knots and a 976.9 mb pressure reading while the Coast Guard vessel USCGC Blackhawk anchored in Manila Bay sustained gusts of 75 knots.

Upon her entrance in the South China Sea, aircraft fixes traced a cycloidal track during the 14th and 15th. The trajectory over rugged terrain of Luzon had disorganized the vertical structure around the central eye region of Joan. Apparently, the surface center was showing an oscillating behavior while embedded within a more stable upper center describing a uniform westerly track.

During this time frame, the area of gale force winds grew in size to more than 250 miles in radius from the center while the eye diameter expanded to some 80 miles. This area filled almost the entire northern half of the South China Sea ranking Joan as the largest typhoon in size in 1970 (Figure 5-20). The shipping traffic in this region felt its fury as at least one 390-foot vessel was in distress for over 24 hours.

A slow moving trough in the westerlies over Central China began to weaken the ridge line along 105-115°E on the 15th. This provided a path for a more northward component and Joan headed on a course toward the northeastern tip of Hainan on the morning of the 17th. It was of minimal typhoon strength and weakened considerably on passage up the Luichow Peninsula

slowly dissipating further inland over South China.

The typhoon left in its wake some 575 people dead and 1,590 injured, plus an additional 193 missing in the Republic of the Philippines. Damage was estimated near 74 million dollars (U.S.) with at least 80,000 people reported to be homeless and an agricultural crop loss of 92 percent in the region affected. These figures rank the storm high on the list of most destructive to affect that country.

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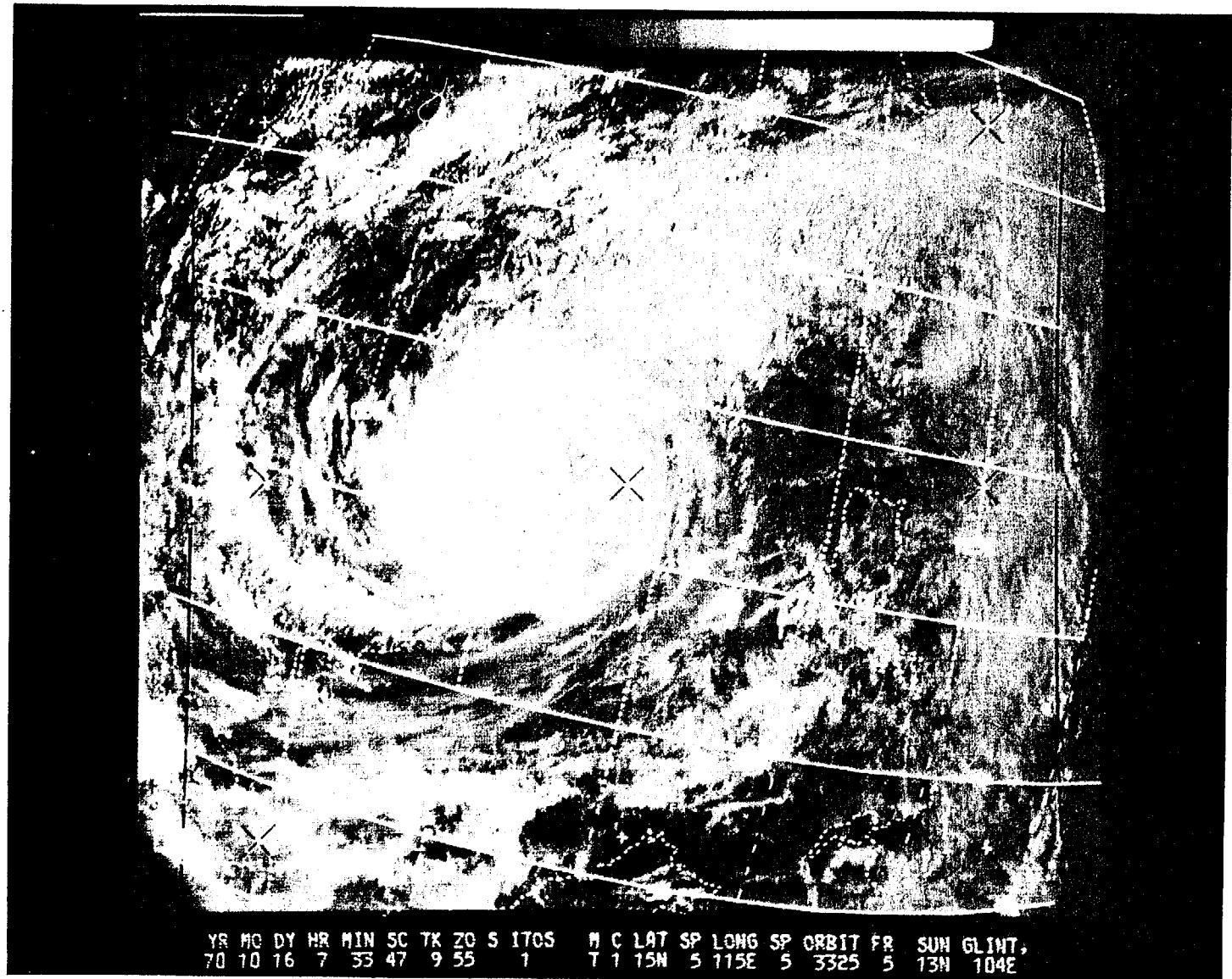


FIGURE 5-20 JOAN THE LARGEST TYPHOON IN SIZE DURING THE 1970 SEASON AS SEEN BY
CAMERA'S ABOARD ITOS-1 ON 16 OCTOBER.

TYPHOON JOAN EYE FIXES CYCLON

| FIR NO. | TIME | POSTI | UNIT- MET-MOU -ACCY | FLT LVL | FLT LVL | SFC WIND | OBS AND SI.P | MIN 700MB | HGT | FLT FT/TO | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER | |
|------------|---------|--------------|---------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|-------|--------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | WALL | CLOUD |
| 1 | 090450Z | 09.0N 144.0E | SLTLS | STG B | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 092345Z | 09.5N 140.4E | 54-P-15--- | 0500M | 048 | 045 | 997 | -- | 25/23 | --- | | | | | |
| 3 | 100300Z | 10.0N 139.6E | 54-P-01--- | 700MB | 048 | 035 | 996 | 3011 | 13/11 | CIRC | --- | 10 | | W/C NE SEMICIR | |
| 4 | 100546Z | 09.5N 137.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 04 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 100600Z | 10.3N 138.7E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 050 | 045 | 987 | 2987 | 13/10 | --- | | | | | |
| 6 | 100846Z | 10.6N 138.0E | VW-P-03--- | 0320M | --- | 055 | 993 | -- | 21/23 | CIRC | --- | 25 | | NO ORG W/C | |
| 7 | 101447Z | 10.8N 136.1E | VW-P-05--- | 0320M | --- | 055 | 990 | 3030 | 24/20 | CIRC | --- | 27 | | WK W/C 6NM THK, OPEN NNE | |
| 8 | 102100Z | 11.0N 134.0E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 045 | 060 | 990 | 2996 | 14/08 | CIRC | --- | 25 | | 12NM THK, OPEN NNE | |
| 9 | 110300Z | 11.2N 132.3E | 54-P-05--- | --- | 060 | 070 | 976 | 2902 | 15/10 | CIRC | --- | 25 | | OPEN NW-E QUAD | |
| 10 | 110642Z | 11.0N 132.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| 11 | 110910Z | 11.5N 130.7E | VW-P-03--- | 0430M | 074 | 075 | 978 | -- | 24/20 | CIRC | --- | 15 | | 3NM THK, WK S-W | |
| 12 | 111100Z | 11.6N 130.5E | VW-P--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | |
| 13 | 111200Z | 11.7N 130.0E | VW-P--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 25 | | | |
| 14 | 111430Z | 11.7N 130.1E | VW-P-10--- | 700MB | 100 | --- | --- | 2908 | 12/07 | CIRC | --- | 30 | | | |
| 15 | 112100Z | 11.4N 128.4E | 54-P-10--- | 700MB | 092 | --- | 959 | 2752 | 22/13 | ELIP | N-S | 27x22 | SML BRKS IN W/C | | |
| 16 | 120300Z | 11.4N 127.3E | 54-P-10--- | 700MB | --- | 110 | 943 ³⁵ | 2615 | 20/11 | CIRC | --- | 23 | | OPEN NW | |
| 17 | 120530Z | 11.5N 127.1E | 54-P-10--- | / 700MB | 068 | 120 | 938 | 2570 | 20/10 | CIRC | --- | 25 | | CLSD | |
| 18 | 120544Z | 12.0N 127.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| 19 | 120915Z | 11.9N 127.0E | VW-P-07--- | 0270M | --- | 130 | 924 | -- | 27/23 | CIRC | --- | 16 | | CLSD 6NM THK | |
| 20 | 121200Z | 12.4N 126.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 25 | | | |
| 21 | 121400Z | 12.4N 126.3E | VW-P-03--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 14 | | CLSD | |
| 22 | 121600Z | 12.8N 126.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 25 | | | |
| 23 | 121800Z | 13.0N 125.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 30 | | | |
| 24 | 121900Z | 13.1N 125.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 55 | | | |
| 25 | 122100Z | 12.9N 125.2E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 110 | 150 | 901 | 2332 | 24/14 | CIRC | --- | 25 | | CLSD 6NM THK | |
| 26 | 122300Z | 13.4N 124.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 30 | | | |
| 27 | 130000Z | 13.5N 124.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 28 | 130200Z | 13.6N 124.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 29 | 130300Z | 13.6N 123.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 30 | 130330Z | 13.6N 123.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 31 | 130400Z | 13.6N 123.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 32 | 130500Z | 13.6N 123.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 33 | 130500Z | 13.6N 123.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 34 | 130530Z | 13.5N 123.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 35 | 130630Z | 13.7N 123.1E | LND PUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | |
| 36 | 130640Z | 14.0N 123.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 04 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 130803Z | 13.8N 122.9E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 38 | 130858Z | 13.8N 122.8E | VW-P-05--- | 700MB | 050 | --- | --- | 2990 | --- | CIRC | --- | 10 | | BRKN, POORLY DEF | |
| 39 | 131000Z | 13.8N 122.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 40 | 131030Z | 13.7N 122.7E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 41 | 131100Z | 13.8N 122.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 42 | 131130Z | 13.8N 122.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 43 | 131230Z | 13.9N 122.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 44 | 131300Z | 14.0N 122.3E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 45 | 131330Z | 14.0N 122.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 46 | 131402Z | 13.9N 122.2E | VW-P-02--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | CIRC | --- | 09 | | POORLY DEF | |
| 47 | 131500Z | 14.1N 122.0E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |
| 48 | 131730Z | 14.4N 121.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | |

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| FIX NO. | TIME | POSII | EYE FIXES CYCLONE | | | 21 | JDS | URS | MIN | FLT | LVL | TT/TO | EYE | ORIEN- | EYE | CHARACTER |
|------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------|
| | | | UNIF- | MET-OD | FLT | | LVL | SFC | MIN | 700MB | HGT | SLP | | FORM | DIA | WALL CLOUD |
| 49 | 131800Z | 14.5N 121.5E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 50 | 131830Z | 14.5N 121.4E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 51 | 131840Z | 14.6N 121.3E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 52 | 131900Z | 14.5N 121.3E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 53 | 131930Z | 14.4N 121.2E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 54 | 132030Z | 14.6N 121.0E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 55 | 132100Z | 14.2N 121.2E | 54-P-02--- | 500MB | 050 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 2/6 | CIR | --- | --- | 18 | CLSD, POORLY DEF | --- |
| 56 | 132130Z | 14.6N 120.7E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 57 | 140030Z | 14.5N 120.4E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 58 | 140140Z | 14.6N 120.2E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 59 | 140300Z | 14.9N 119.6E | 54-P-02--- | 500MB | 040 | 080 | 968 | --- | 2/4 | CIR | --- | --- | 25 | REFORMG NE-W | --- | --- |
| 60 | 140540Z | 15.1N 118.5E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 61 | 140737Z | 14.5N 118.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | .. | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 62 | 140830Z | 14.8N 118.0E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 63 | 141000Z | 14.5N 117.5E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 64 | 141200Z | 14.1N 117.5E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 65 | 141212Z | 14.1N 117.5E | LND | RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 66 | 141239Z | 14.2N 117.7E | VW-P-10--- | 700MB | --- | --- | 2871 | 17/14 | CIR | --- | --- | 50 | POORLY DEF | --- | --- | --- |
| 67 | 141419Z | 14.1N 117.6E | VW-P-04--- | 0500M | --- | 065 | 977 | --- | 27/24 | CIR | --- | --- | 35 | OPEN N-E-S | --- | --- |
| 68 | 142115Z | 15.1N 116.4E | 54-P-15--- | 700MB | 080 | --- | 967 | 2838 | 17/14 | CIR | --- | --- | 40 | OPEN E-W | --- | --- |
| 69 | 150000Z | 14.8N 115.8E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 065 | 065 | 966 | 2813 | 17/14 | CIR | --- | --- | 45 | OPEN E-S | --- | --- |
| 70 | 150200Z | 14.5N 115.4E | 54-P-03--- | 700MB | 050 | 065 | 965 | 2813 | 18/15 | CIR | --- | --- | 40 | OPEN N-SE | --- | --- |
| 71 | 150830Z | 15.1N 115.1E | VW-P-40--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 72 | 150833Z | 15.5N 115.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | .. | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 73 | 151404Z | 15.4N 114.3E | VW-P-05--- | --- | 115 | 125 | 958 | --- | 24/22 | ELIP | NW-SE | 75x30 | OPEN N | --- | --- | --- |
| 74 | 152045Z | 16.0N 113.3E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 085 | --- | 952 | 2707 | 17/13 | ELIP | NE-SW | 80x50 | BRKS NW-NE | --- | --- | --- |
| 75 | 160320Z | 17.0N 113.6E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 080 | 100 | 952 | 2704 | 21/13 | ELIP | NW-SE | 99x-- | BRKN NE-SW | --- | --- | --- |
| 76 | 160734Z | 18.0N 112.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | .. | CAT 4 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 77 | 160900Z | 18.0N 111.9E | VW-P-10--- | --- | 060 | 055 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 80 | 25-35NM THK, OPEN NE-SE | --- | --- |
| 78 | 161514Z | 18.7N 111.8E | VW-P-15--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | W/C S-N | --- | --- |
| 79 | 170830Z | 21.0N 110.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 0 | .. | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |

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TROPICAL CYCLONE 21 -- 10/9/1700Z TO 10/18/0500Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| <u>WARN NO.</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>WARNING LAT</u> | <u>POSIT LONG</u> | <u>BEST LAT</u> | <u>TRACK LONG</u> | <u>24 HR FCST LAT</u> | <u>FCST LONG</u> | <u>24 HR ERROR DEG</u> | <u>DEG DIST</u> | <u>48 HR FCST LAT</u> | <u>FCST LONG</u> | <u>48 HR ERROR DEG</u> | <u>DEG DIST</u> | <u>72 HR FCST LAT</u> | <u>FCST LONG</u> | <u>72 HR ERROR DEG</u> | <u>DEG DIST</u> |
|-----------------|------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 01 | 09/2300Z | 9.4N | 140.6E | 9.5N | 140.7E | 11.6N | 134.6E | 060-0066 | | 13.2N | 128.9E | 024-0114 | | 15.2N | 123.5E | 329-0126 | |
| 02 | 10/0500Z | 10.3N | 139.0E | 10.2N | 139.0E | 12.8N | 132.8E | 036-0102 | | 14.6N | 127.0E | 358-0186 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 03 | 10/1100Z | 10.8N | 137.3E | 10.7N | 137.3E | 13.0N | 131.1E | 027-0090 | | 15.0N | 125.3E | 335-0180 | | 17.1N | 119.9E | 323-0240 | |
| 04 | 10/1700Z | 10.9N | 135.4E | 10.8N | 135.4E | 12.0N | 129.0E | 360-0030 | | 13.9N | 123.7E | 298-0132 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 05 | 10/2300Z | 11.1N | 133.4E | 11.0N | 133.5E | 12.0N | 126.4E | 291-0096 | | 13.7N | 120.3E | 275-0240 | | 16.0N | 115.2E | 286-0312 | |
| 06 | 11/0500Z | 11.3N | 131.7E | 11.4N | 131.7E | 12.3N | 125.1E | 291-0126 | | 14.2N | 119.3E | 278-0240 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 07 | 11/1100Z | 11.5N | 130.2E | 11.6N | 130.3E | 12.6N | 124.1E | 279-0150 | | 14.4N | 118.7E | 279-0210 | | 16.7N | 113.9E | 300-0258 | |
| 08 | 11/1700Z | 11.5N | 129.6E | 11.5N | 129.1E | 11.0N | 124.8E | 207-0120 | | 12.0N | 120.0E | 214-0150 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 09 | 11/2300Z | 11.3N | 128.0E | 11.4N | 128.0E | 11.4N | 122.5E | 228-0168 | | 12.7N | 117.3E | 240-0204 | | 14.5N | 112.4E | 264-0198 | |
| 10 | 12/0500Z | 11.5N | 127.1E | 11.5N | 127.2E | 11.9N | 123.1E | 191-0102 | | 12.7N | 119.1E | 180-0138 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 11 | 12/1100Z | 12.0N | 126.8E | 12.2N | 126.7E | 13.5N | 124.0E | 101-0090 | | 14.5N | 120.0E | 090-0126 | | 15.7N | 116.0E | 072-0072 | |
| 12 | 12/1700Z | 12.8N | 126.1E | 12.8N | 125.8E | 13.9N | 122.4E | 104-0048 | | 14.9N | 118.4E | 090-0066 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 13 | 12/2300Z | 13.0N | 125.0E | 13.3N | 124.7E | 14.0N | 121.4E | 119-0060 | | 15.2N | 117.4E | 078-0084 | | 16.8N | 114.1E | 069-0060 | |
| 14 | 13/0500Z | 13.7N | 123.2E | 13.6N | 123.5E | 15.0N | 118.8E | 270-0012 | | 16.5N | 114.9E | 345-0096 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 15 | 13/1100Z | 14.0N | 122.3E | 13.8N | 122.4E | 15.3N | 117.9E | 008-0048 | | 16.6N | 114.5E | 355-0078 | | 18.2N | 111.6E | 226-0012 | |
| 16 | 13/1700Z | 14.2N | 121.6E | 14.1N | 121.5E | 15.4N | 117.6E | 031-0030 | | 16.8N | 114.2E | 020-0066 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 17 | 13/2300Z | 14.5N | 120.6E | 14.5N | 120.4E | 15.7N | 117.0E | 046-0066 | | 17.0N | 113.8E | 050-0054 | | 18.6N | 110.9E | 180-0066 | |
| 18 | 14/0500Z | 14.9N | 119.2E | 15.0N | 119.1E | 16.4N | 115.1E | 352-0090 | | 17.9N | 112.1E | 348-0030 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 19 | 14/1100Z | 14.4N | 117.5E | 14.5N | 117.8E | 16.3N | 116.3E | 057-0108 | | 17.9N | 114.5E | 101-0144 | | 19.3N | 113.1E | 112-0174 | |
| 20 | 14/1700Z | 14.3N | 118.0E | 14.9N | 117.2E | 16.2N | 116.5E | 080-0162 | | 17.7N | 114.7E | 114-0204 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 21 | 14/2300Z | 14.9N | 116.0E | 14.9N | 115.9E | 15.5N | 112.1E | 222-0072 | | 15.5N | 108.8E | 207-0276 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 22 | 15/0500Z | 14.5N | 115.2E | 14.9N | 115.4E | 14.5N | 111.7E | 190-0174 | | 14.5N | 108.6E | 199-0342 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 23 | 15/1100Z | 15.0N | 114.5E | 15.3N | 114.7E | 15.0N | 111.0E | 194-0204 | | 15.0N | 107.9E | 202-0342 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 24 | 15/1700Z | 15.4N | 114.0E | 15.7N | 113.7E | 15.4N | 110.7E | 190-0222 | | 15.8N | 107.8E | 200-0372 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 25 | 15/2300Z | 16.1N | 113.1E | 16.4N | 113.0E | 18.0N | 110.1E | 206-0108 | | 20.0N | 108.0E | 239-0126 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 26 | 16/0500Z | 17.1N | 112.2E | 17.4N | 112.3E | 20.3N | 110.4E | 360-0018 | | 23.0N | 110.0E | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 27 | 16/1100Z | 18.5N | 111.7E | 18.4N | 111.9E | 22.9N | 110.8E | 012-0150 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 28 | 16/1700Z | 19.0N | 111.8E | 19.1N | 111.4E | 22.2N | 112.1E | 075-0108 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 29 | 16/2300Z | 19.7N | 111.6E | 19.7N | 111.0E | 21.6N | 111.5E | 069-0078 | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 30 | 17/0500Z | 19.7N | 111.4E | 20.0N | 110.5E | 20.4N | 110.2E | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 31 | 17/1100Z | 19.9N | 111.1E | 20.4N | 110.2E | 20.7N | 110.2E | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 32 | 17/1700Z | 20.8N | 109.9E | 21.7N | 110.1E | 22.5N | 108.8E | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 33 | 17/2300Z | 21.0N | 110.2E | 21.1N | 110.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 34 | 18/0500Z | 21.4N | 110.1E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | | ----- | ----- | ----- | |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0099 MI.
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0168 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0151 MI.

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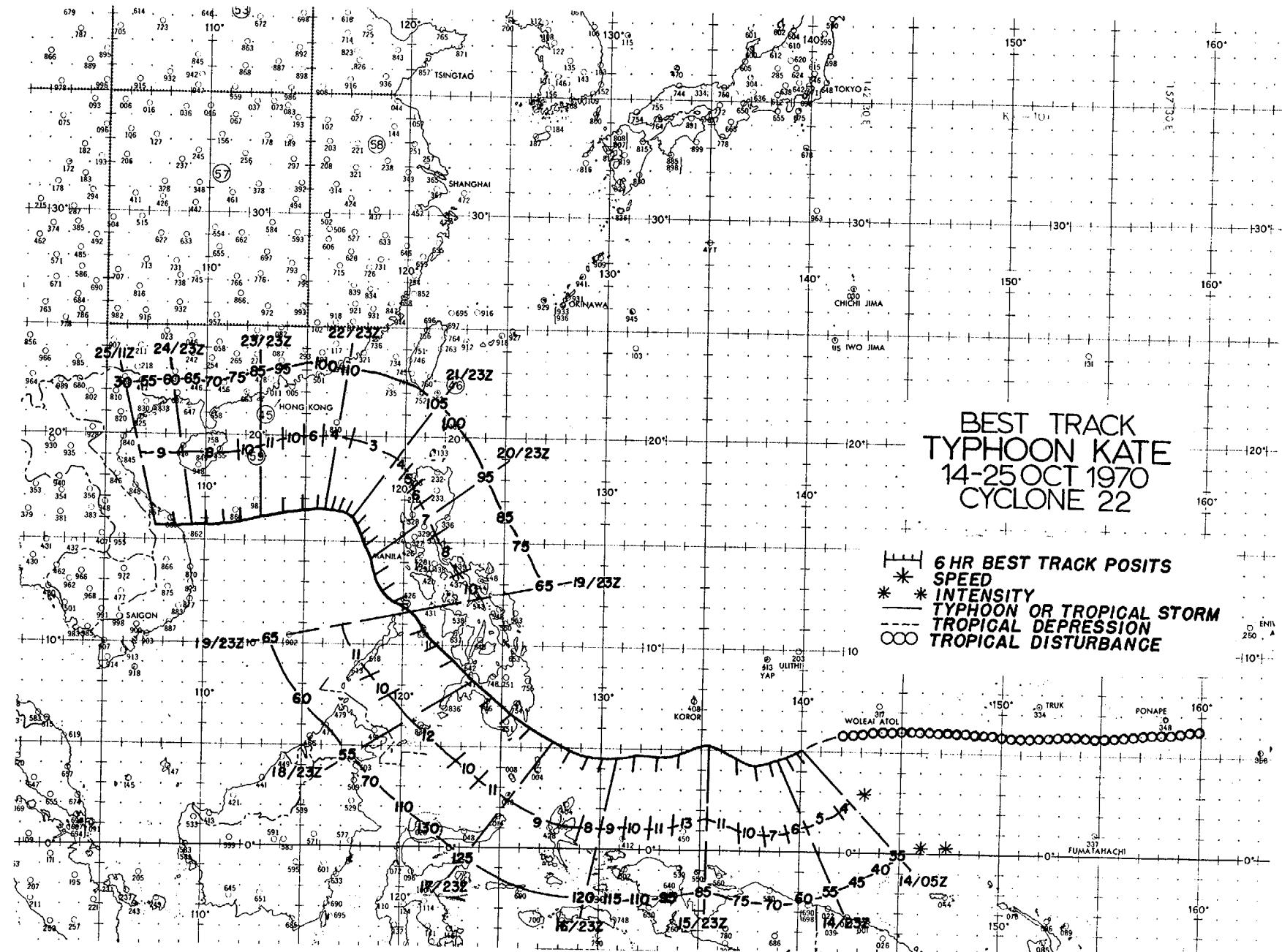
K. TYPHOON KATE 15 OCT 0500Z-25 OCT 1100Z

1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 42
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 34
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,317 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 938 MBS at 16/2100Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2554 M at 22/2100Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 130 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 540 MI



3. TYPHOON KATE NARRATIVE

While Joan was making headway in the South China Sea, Kate appeared on the scene developing south of Yap and commencing on an unusually low latitude track.

The initial impulse that later became Kate first revealed itself on the Majuro upper air sounding in the Marshalls with winds showing a cyclonic shift in the 700 mb and 500 mb levels on October 7th. The perturbation continued westward but realigned along a lower latitude apparently in response to the building heights to the rear of Joan. The ITOS-1 picture on the 13th showed a marked flare up in convective activity as the system moved under considerable difluent flow generated by equatorward outflow from Typhoon Joan some 1,300 miles to the northeast.

An organized pattern of clouds was apparent 300 miles south of Yap the following day. By the time a reconnaissance aircraft reached the area the afternoon of the 15th, Kate was near typhoon intensity with a wall cloud in process of forming, a central pressure of 986 mb and winds estimated near 60 knots.

During its westward journey in the following 3 days the typhoon remained small but concentrated. Shifting course slightly northwest the afternoon of the 17th (Figure 5-21), the storm aimed for the Davao Gulf of Mindanao reaching super typhoon strength some 24 hours later. The following evening its center arrived ashore 30 miles south of Davao City being the second typhoon to strike the Philippines in 4 days. Evidence of the highly concentrated nature of Kate at this time could be testified to by Davao not reporting a wind **higher** than 25 knots! Over 5,000 houses and other structures were lost in the accompanying storm surge, heavy rains and flooding in Southern Mindanao. Kate proved to be the most costly typhoon of the season as she struck an area unaccustomed to the effects of tropical cyclones and where light housing materials are common. A total of 631 persons perished with an additional 284 still counted as missing. Damage estimates were close to 50 million dollars (U.S.) The death toll counted surpassed all other typhoons on record in the Philippines and ranked Kate as the greatest killer cyclone experienced by that country.

Once over the Sulu Sea the storm was surprisingly intact after passing through the mountainous terrain of Mindanao. Kate slowly regained strength reaching typhoon strength just before passage over Busuanga Island. The Talampolan U. S. Coast Gurad LORAN station on the island reported gusts to 76 knots and a barometer reading of 989.9 mb.

Kate swung to a northward heading paralleling the western Luzon coast and slowing in forward speed as she approached the

ridge line (Figure 5-22). As height rises to the north blocked any further advancement, she slowly turned on a westward course on the 22nd setting sights for the Indochina coastline. Increasing in forward speed to 10 knots, the storm started to weaken on its west southwesterly track. Kate arrived onshore on the 25th just south of DaNang reduced to tropical storm force and bringing gale winds to the coast. The DaNang airfield reported winds 40 knots gusting to 66 knots. The storm lost intensity and later dissipated inland over the plateau region.

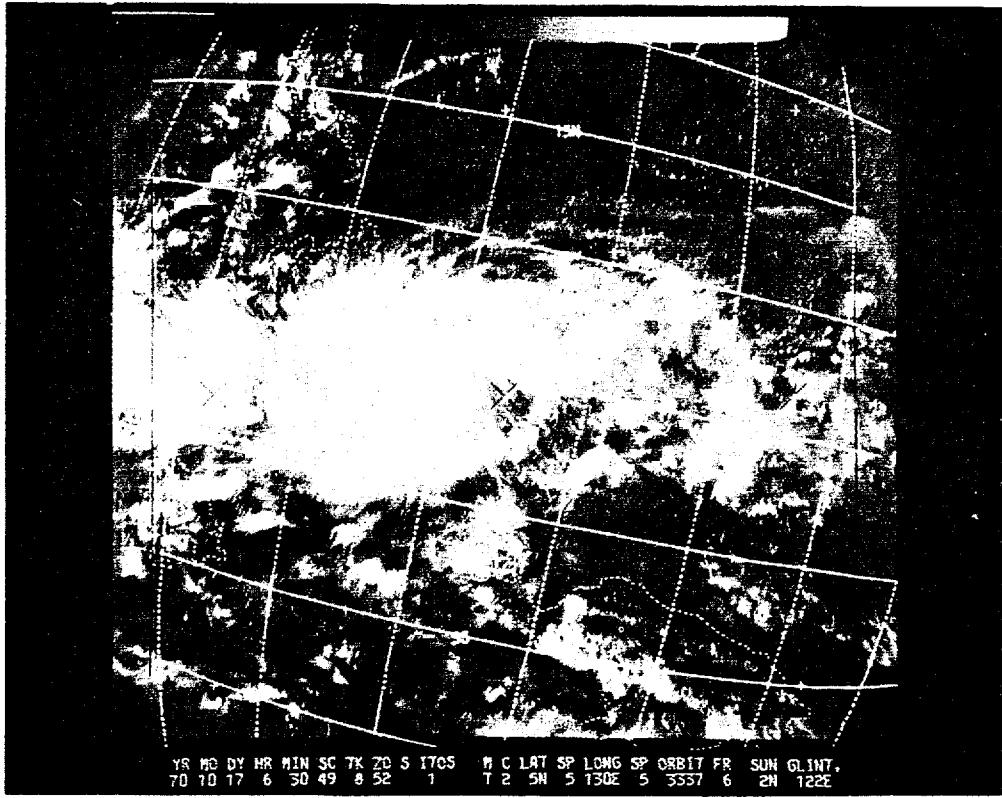


FIGURE 5-21 ITOS-1 DEPICTS TYPHOON KATE ON 17 OCTOBER DURING ITS LOW LATITUDE TRACK TOWARDS MINDANAO.

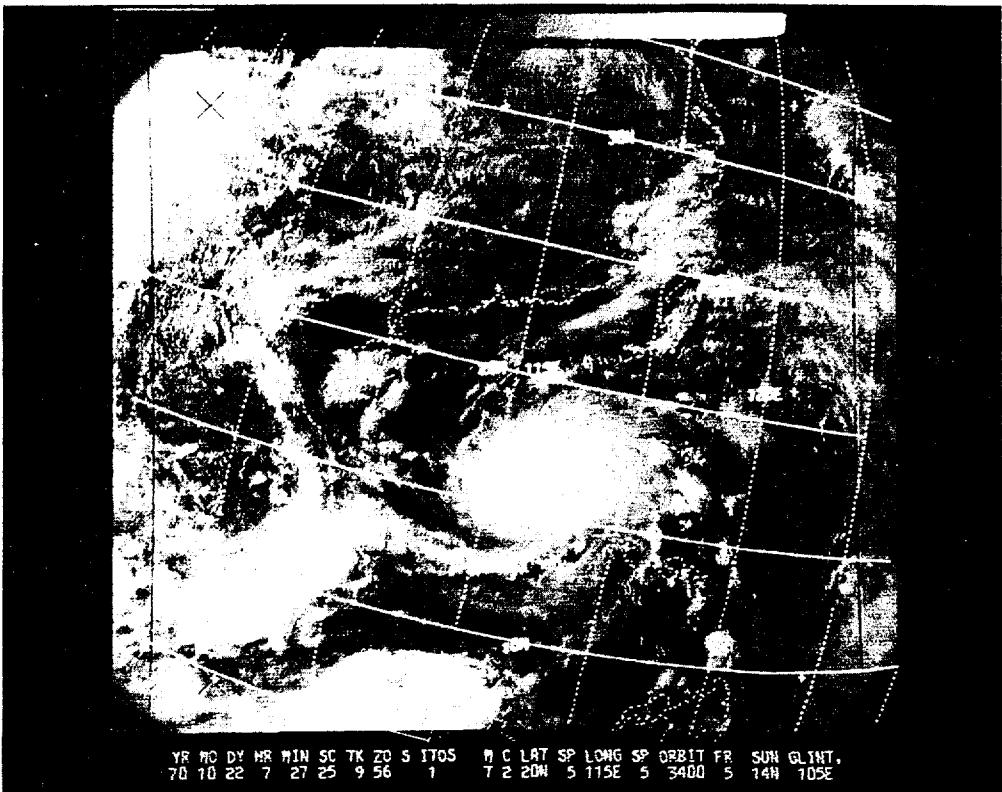


FIGURE 5-22 KATE WEST OF LUZON AS SEEN BY ITOS-1 ON 22 OCTOBER.

| fix nu. | time | posii | TYPHOON KATE | | | | | | | | | | orienta tion | eye dia | character wall cloud | |
|------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|--------------------|---------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | eye fixes cyclone | | | 22 | | | fl | | | | | | | |
| | | | un-t- | met-o- | -accy | flt | lvl | wind | sfc | obs | min | 700mb | lvl | eye | | |
| 1 | 140536Z | 05.0N 140.0E | SLTLS | STG B | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 150555Z | 04.5N 138.1E | 54-p-06--- | 700MB | 050 | 055 | 986 | 3018 | 19/14 | ---- | | | | | | W/C FORMG E-S |
| 3 | 150633Z | 04.0N 137.0E | SLTLS | STG B | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 150737Z | 04.3N 137.9E | 54-p-06--- | 700MB | 070 | 070 | 986 | 2984 | 16/11 | ---- | | | | | | |
| 5 | 151502Z | 04.2N 136.8E | VW-p-05--- | | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | | | | | | |
| 6 | 152100Z | 05.2N 135.7E | 54-p-05--- | 700MB | 075 | 075 | 976 | 2896 | 17/08 | ELIP | NW-SE | 30x17 | 7-10NM THK | | | |
| 7 | 160300Z | 05.1N 134.8E | 54-p-02--- | 700MB | 075 | 085 | 971 | 2856 | 17/11 | CIRC | ---- | 25 | CLSD, 10NM THK | | | |
| 8 | 160534Z | 04.5N 133.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 04 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | CLSD, 10NM THK |
| 9 | 161210Z | 04.6N 132.3E | VW-p-05--- | | 110 | 095 | 960 | --- | 27/23 | CIRC | ---- | 17 | | | | |
| 10 | 161405Z | 04.7N 132.0E | VW-p----- | 700MB | --- | --- | 959 | 2746 | 23/09 | ELIP | N-S | 15x13 | 10-12NM THK | | | |
| 11 | 161445Z | 04.7N 131.9E | VW-p----- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 12 | 162100Z | 04.5N 131.2E | 54-p-05--- | 700MB | 103 | 120 | 938 | 2591 | 23/13 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD, 4NM THK | | | |
| 13 | 170300Z | 04.4N 130.3E | 54-p-10--- | 700MB | 104 | 100 | 938 | 2600 | 27/11 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD, 3-4NM THK | | | |
| 14 | 170631Z | 04.7N 129.7E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | 170830Z | 04.8N 129.5E | VW-p-15--- | 0300M | --- | 050 | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 172100Z | 05.3N 127.9E | 54-p-06--- | 700MB | 120 | 120 | 949 | 2664 | 21/09 | ELIP | NW-SE | 12x10 | CLSD, 10-12NM THK | | | |
| 17 | 180300Z | 05.9N 126.6E | 54-p-03--- | 700MB | 075 | (130) | (941) | 2621 | 23/11 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, 4-5NM THK | | | |
| 18 | 180727Z | 06.0N 125.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 07 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | CLSD, 7NM THK |
| 19 | 180900Z | 06.4N 125.8E | VW-p-10--- | 0300M | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 20 | 181200Z | 06.8N 125.3E | VW-p-20--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | CLSD, BUT BRKG UP |
| 21 | 181418Z | 07.2N 124.9E | VW-p-20--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | BARELY DISCRNLB |
| 22 | 182100Z | 07.2N 123.6E | 54-p-05--- | 500MB | 030 | --- | --- | --- | 3-8 | CIRC | ---- | 04 | APRNT W/C N QUAD | | | |
| 23 | 190040Z | 11.6N 119.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | NEG W/C |
| 24 | 190140Z | 11.9N 119.7E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 25 | 190300Z | 09.1N 123.0E | 54-p-10--- | 500MB | 045 | --- | --- | --- | 22-5 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | NEG W/C | | | |
| 26 | 190600Z | 09.8N 122.5E | 54-p-20--- | 500MB | 045 | --- | --- | --- | 4-6 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | NEG W/C | | | |
| 27 | 190628Z | 10.0N 121.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 01 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28 | 190851Z | 09.7N 122.1E | VW-p-05--- | 0300M | --- | 065 | 992 | --- | 25/22 | CIRC | ---- | 14 | CLSD | | | |
| 29 | 191152Z | 10.1N 121.5E | VW-p-05--- | 0360M | --- | 065 | 988 | --- | 25/22 | CIRC | ---- | 25 | CLSD, WK S QUAD | | | |
| 31 | 191515Z | 10.4N 121.1E | VW-p-05--- | 700MB | 060 | --- | --- | --- | 18/12 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD | | | |
| 31 | 192100Z | 11.5N 120.9E | 54-p-02--- | 700MB | 040 | --- | 978 | 2905 | 18/12 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD, 7NM THK | | | |
| 32 | 192340Z | 11.7N 120.0E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 33 | 200000Z | 11.8N 120.1E | 54-p-02--- | 700MB | 070 | 060 | 980 | 2908 | 16/12 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD | | | |
| 34 | 200300Z | 12.0N 119.5E | 54-p-02--- | 700MB | 040 | 070 | 976 | 2877 | 18/12 | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD, 5NM THK | | | |
| 35 | 200600Z | 12.3N 119.2E | 54-p-02--- | 700MB | 050 | 090 | 972 | 2853 | 17/10 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD | | | |
| 36 | 200721Z | 12.5N 119.2E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 02 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37 | 200900Z | 12.7N 119.3E | VW-p-05--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 38 | 201200Z | 12.9N 119.0E | VW-p-05--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | 7NM THK, OPEN SW |
| 39 | 201447Z | 13.2N 118.6E | VW-p-05--- | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | 5NM THK, OPEN SW |
| 40 | 201500Z | 13.2N 118.7E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | 7NM THK, OPEN SW |
| 41 | 201530Z | 13.4N 118.9E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | |
| 42 | 202100Z | 14.0N 118.4E | 54-p-01--- | 700MB | 085 | --- | 958 | 2755 | 22/12 | CIRC | ---- | 30 | | | | |
| 43 | 210000Z | 14.5N 118.2E | LND RUR | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | | | 8-10NM THK, OPEN S QUAD |
| 44 | 210310Z | 14.8N 118.0E | 54-p-01--- | 700MB | 070 | 125 | 958 | 2737 | 21/10 | CIRC | ---- | 15 | 5-8NM THK, OPEN SE | | | |
| 45 | 210631Z | 14.7N 117.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 01 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | | | | |
| 46 | 210845Z | 15.3N 117.8E | VW-p-05--- | 0500M | 110 | 115 | 961 | --- | 27/23 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD | | | |
| 47 | 211517Z | 15.8N 117.5E | VW-p-05--- | 700MB | 097 | --- | 960 | 2781 | 18/10 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, WK SE QUAD | | | |
| 48 | 212100Z | 16.1N 117.5E | 54-p-05--- | 700MB | 100 | --- | 952 | 2698 | 18/11 | ELIP | NW-SE | 20x-- | CLSD, 6NM THK | | | |

| TYPHOON KATE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|---------|--------------|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|------------|------------------------|------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | EYE F/XES CYCLONE | | | | 22 | | | | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL | EYE FORM | ORIENTA- TION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
| | | | UNIT- MET-DO | FLT LVL | SFC WHD | OHS SLP | MIN HGT | TT/10 | | | | | | | | |
| 49 | 220315Z | 16.4N 117.1E | 54--02-- | 700MB | 090 | -- | 963 | 2701 | 16/09 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | 6NM THK, WK SE | ----- | | |
| 50 | 220727Z | 16.0N 117.0E | SETLS | STG X | 01A 04 | CAT 4 | ---- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 51 | 220805Z | 16.6N 116.8E | VW--05-- | 0500M | 115 | 115 | 947 | --- | 23/20 | ELIP | N-S | 19X17 | CLSD, 7NM THK, WK SE | ----- | | |
| 52 | 221200Z | 16.8N 116.4E | VW--12-- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | CIRC | ---- | 17 | CLSD, 7NM THK | ----- | | |
| 53 | 221407Z | 16.7N 116.5E | VW--14-- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | CIRC | ---- | 17 | CLSD, 7NM THK | ----- | | |
| 54 | 222100Z | 16.5N 116.2E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 105 | -- | 941 | 2554 | 17/11 | CIRC | ---- | 17 | CLSD, 5-7NM THK, WK SE | ----- | | |
| 55 | 230315Z | 15.7N 115.7E | 54--02-- | 700MB | 110 | 100 | 966 | 2707 | 16/12 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | CLSD, 4NM THK | ----- | | |
| 56 | 230600Z | 16.7N 115.4E | 54--02-- | 700MB | 110 | 100 | 965 | 2698 | 16/12 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | CLSD, 4NM THK | ----- | | |
| 57 | 230629Z | 16.5N 114.8E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 03 | CAT 4 | ---- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 58 | 230910Z | 16.5N 115.1E | VW--05-- | ---- | 125 | 125 | 960 | --- | 22/24 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, 5-18NM THK | ----- | | |
| 59 | 231130Z | 16.5N 114.6E | VW--05-- | 700MB | 105 | -- | 962 | 2722 | 19/10 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, HVY S QUAD | ----- | | |
| 60 | 231445Z | 16.4N 114.1E | VW--05-- | 700MB | 110 | -- | 965 | 2777 | 19/11 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, 10NM THK | ----- | | |
| 61 | 232100Z | 16.1N 113.0E | 54--02-- | 700MB | 080 | -- | 968 | 2822 | 13/10 | ELIP | NE-SW | 24X16 | DEGENRTG, OPEN NW | ----- | | |
| 62 | 240252Z | 16.0N 112.0E | 54--02-- | 700MB | 070 | 065 | 991 | 2905 | 17/10 | CIRC | ---- | 30 | WK W/C S QUAD | ----- | | |
| 63 | 240725Z | 16.0N 111.1E | SLTLS | STG X | 01A 03 | CAT 3 | ---- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | |
| 64 | 240855Z | 15.9N 111.2E | VW--02-- | ---- | 060 | -- | ---- | ---- | ---- | CIRC | ---- | 24 | 8NM THK, OPEN NW-NE | ----- | | |
| 65 | 240910Z | 15.9N 112.0E | LND RUR | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- | ----- | | |
| 66 | 241045Z | 15.9N 111.7E | LND RUR | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- | ----- | | |
| 67 | 241157Z | 15.6N 110.2E | VW--02-- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | CIRC | ---- | 25 | OPEN NNW-N-E-SE | ----- | | |
| 68 | 241527Z | 15.9N 110.3E | VW--05-- | 0500M | 070 | 060 | 948 | --- | 24/23 | ---- | ---- | ---- | NEG W/C | ----- | | |
| 69 | 241545Z | 15.9N 109.6E | LND RUR | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- | ----- | | |
| 70 | 242100Z | 15.9N 109.5E | 54--05-- | 700MB | 050 | -- | 949 | 2981 | 12/12 | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- | ----- | | |
| 71 | 250300Z | 15.7N 108.4E | 54--02-- | 500MB | 055 | -- | 995 | --- | -17-5 | CIRC | ---- | 28 | APRNT W/C W-N-SE | ----- | | |

TYPHOON KATE

TROPICAL CYCLONE 22 -- 10/14/0500Z TO 10/25/1100Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT LAT | WARNING POSIT LONG | BEST TRACK LAT | BEST TRACK LONG | 24 HR FCST LAT | 24 HR FCST LONG | 24 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 48 HR FCST LAT | 48 HR FCST LONG | 48 HR ERROR DEG DIST | 72 HR FCST LAT | 72 HR FCST LONG | 72 HR ERROR DEG DIST |
|----------|----------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| 01 | 15/0500Z | 4.4N | 138.2E | 4.4N | 138.1E | 5.6N | 136.1E | 066-0144 | 7.2N | 132.8E | 046-0228 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 15/1100Z | 4.6N | 137.6E | 4.3N | 137.4E | 5.9N | 135.3E | 064-0174 | 7.4N | 132.0E | 044-0228 | 8.7N | 128.2E | 054-0198 |
| 03 | 15/1700Z | 4.2N | 136.6E | 4.7N | 136.5E | 4.9N | 133.5E | 078-0108 | 6.5N | 130.3E | 049-0144 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 15/2300Z | 5.4N | 135.3E | 5.1N | 135.2E | 8.3N | 131.5E | 011-0234 | 10.3N | 128.1E | 007-0300 | 12.0N | 124.4E | 016-0228 |
| 05 | 16/0500Z | 5.3N | 134.5E | 4.6N | 133.8E | 6.9N | 131.1E | 023-0156 | 8.7N | 128.0E | 031-0186 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 16/1100Z | 4.6N | 132.5E | 4.6N | 132.6E | 5.6N | 127.7E | 305-0102 | 6.5N | 123.4E | 264-0114 | 7.5N | 119.6E | 220-0186 |
| 07 | 16/1700Z | 4.7N | 131.5E | 4.5N | 131.6E | 5.7N | 127.2E | 306-0078 | 6.6N | 123.3E | 229-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 16/2300Z | 4.5N | 130.8E | 4.4N | 130.7E | 4.9N | 127.5E | 165-0024 | 5.7N | 124.8E | 151-0174 | 6.7N | 122.2E | 160-0318 |
| 09 | 17/0500Z | 4.5N | 130.0E | 4.5N | 130.0E | 5.0N | 126.8E | 158-0060 | 5.9N | 124.2E | 153-0228 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 17/1100Z | 4.8N | 129.1E | 4.6N | 129.2E | 5.6N | 125.9E | 160-0066 | 6.6N | 123.4E | 154-0216 | 7.8N | 120.8E | 159-0312 |
| 11 | 17/1700Z | 5.0N | 128.0E | 4.9N | 128.4E | 5.9N | 124.9E | 165-0096 | 7.1N | 122.4E | 160-0234 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 17/2300Z | 5.3N | 127.7E | 5.3N | 127.4E | 6.2N | 124.6E | 150-0144 | 7.3N | 121.5E | 165-0270 | 8.8N | 118.7E | 176-0318 |
| 13 | 18/0500Z | 6.0N | 126.3E | 6.0N | 126.3E | 7.5N | 122.5E | 176-0108 | 9.4N | 118.9E | 189-0162 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 18/1100Z | 6.5N | 125.4E | 6.7N | 125.4E | 8.5N | 121.4E | 189-0084 | 10.8N | 117.7E | 211-0126 | 13.3N | 114.3E | 238-0234 |
| 15 | 18/1700Z | 7.1N | 124.3E | 7.5N | 124.4E | 9.3N | 120.5E | 195-0090 | 11.7N | 117.0E | 220-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 18/2300Z | 7.6N | 123.4E | 8.3N | 123.3E | 9.9N | 119.5E | 202-0114 | 12.4N | 116.0E | 233-0162 | 15.0N | 112.9E | 253-0258 |
| 17 | 19/0500Z | 9.3N | 122.6E | 9.3N | 122.4E | 12.8N | 119.2E | 351-0042 | 14.7N | 115.6E | 268-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 19/1100Z | 10.1N | 121.8E | 9.9N | 121.7E | 13.5N | 118.3E | 327-0054 | 15.8N | 114.9E | 278-0162 | 19.1N | 113.2E | 309-0246 |
| 19 | 19/1700Z | 10.8N | 120.7E | 10.8N | 121.0E | 13.4N | 116.8E | 270-0096 | 16.1N | 113.8E | 273-0210 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 19/2300Z | 11.6N | 120.6E | 11.7N | 120.3E | 14.5N | 117.5E | 299-0048 | 17.4N | 115.3E | 300-0126 | 20.2N | 114.8E | 344-0216 |
| 21 | 20/0500Z | 12.4N | 119.5E | 12.1N | 119.4E | 15.1N | 116.9E | 288-0054 | 16.7N | 115.7E | 284-0072 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 20/1100Z | 12.9N | 119.1E | 12.7N | 118.9E | 15.5N | 117.3E | 284-0024 | 17.3N | 116.4E | 352-0048 | 19.2N | 115.8E | 019-0168 |
| 23 | 20/1700Z | 13.5N | 118.5E | 13.4N | 118.5E | 15.0N | 117.0E | 256-0024 | 17.7N | 116.2E | 360-0066 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 20/2300Z | 14.1N | 118.1E | 14.1N | 118.3E | 16.6N | 116.7E | 300-0030 | 18.5N | 116.0E | 004-0108 | 20.5N | 115.6E | 032-0306 |
| 25 | 21/0500Z | 15.0N | 117.8E | 14.8N | 117.9E | 17.8N | 117.1E | 005-0084 | 19.9N | 116.9E | 023-0204 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 21/1100Z | 15.5N | 117.7E | 15.4N | 117.8E | 17.9N | 117.1E | 016-0084 | 19.9N | 116.9E | 031-0234 | 21.4N | 116.8E | 046-0468 |
| 27 | 21/1700Z | 16.0N | 117.5E | 15.9N | 117.5E | 17.9N | 117.1E | 029-0084 | 19.5N | 116.9E | 043-0258 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 21/2300Z | 16.2N | 117.5E | 16.3N | 117.3E | 17.8N | 117.1E | 046-0090 | 19.5N | 116.9E | 050-0312 | 21.0N | 116.8E | 005-0528 |
| 29 | 22/0500Z | 16.5N | 117.0E | 16.4N | 117.0E | 18.1N | 116.4E | 030-0096 | 19.8N | 116.2E | 048-0336 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 22/1100Z | 16.8N | 116.7E | 16.5N | 116.6E | 18.1N | 115.6E | 024-0102 | 19.6N | 115.0E | 048-0324 | 21.1N | 114.6E | ----- |
| 31 | 22/1700Z | 16.8N | 116.3E | 16.6N | 116.3E | 17.8N | 115.0E | 037-0108 | 19.2N | 114.1E | 050-0306 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 32 | 22/2300Z | 16.5N | 116.2E | 16.7N | 115.9E | 16.8N | 116.0E | 078-0186 | 17.4N | 114.4E | 072-0306 | 18.0N | 112.4E | ----- |
| 33 | 23/0500Z | 16.8N | 115.5E | 16.5N | 114.8E | 17.3N | 113.2E | 048-0114 | 18.1N | 110.3E | 039-0180 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 34 | 23/1100Z | 16.5N | 114.9E | 16.3N | 113.8E | 16.1N | 112.3E | 082-0084 | 15.9N | 109.0E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 35 | 23/1700Z | 16.4N | 113.8E | 16.1N | 112.7E | 16.0N | 110.2E | 064-0012 | 15.9N | 106.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 36 | 23/2300Z | 16.1N | 112.6E | 16.0N | 111.7E | 15.8N | 108.1E | 270-0060 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 37 | 24/0500Z | 16.0N | 111.6E | 16.0N | 111.7E | 15.8N | 107.2E | 275-0060 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 38 | 24/1100Z | 15.9N | 110.9E | 15.9N | 110.8E | 15.8N | 106.7E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 39 | 24/1700Z | 15.9N | 110.1E | 15.9N | 110.0E | 15.8N | 106.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 40 | 24/2300Z | 15.9N | 109.2E | 15.8N | 109.2E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 41 | 25/0500Z | 15.9N | 108.2E | 15.7N | 108.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 42 | 25/1100Z | 16.0N | 107.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0089 MI.

AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0192 MI.

AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0284 MI.

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L. TYPHOON PATSY 14 NOV 0500Z-22 NOV 0500Z

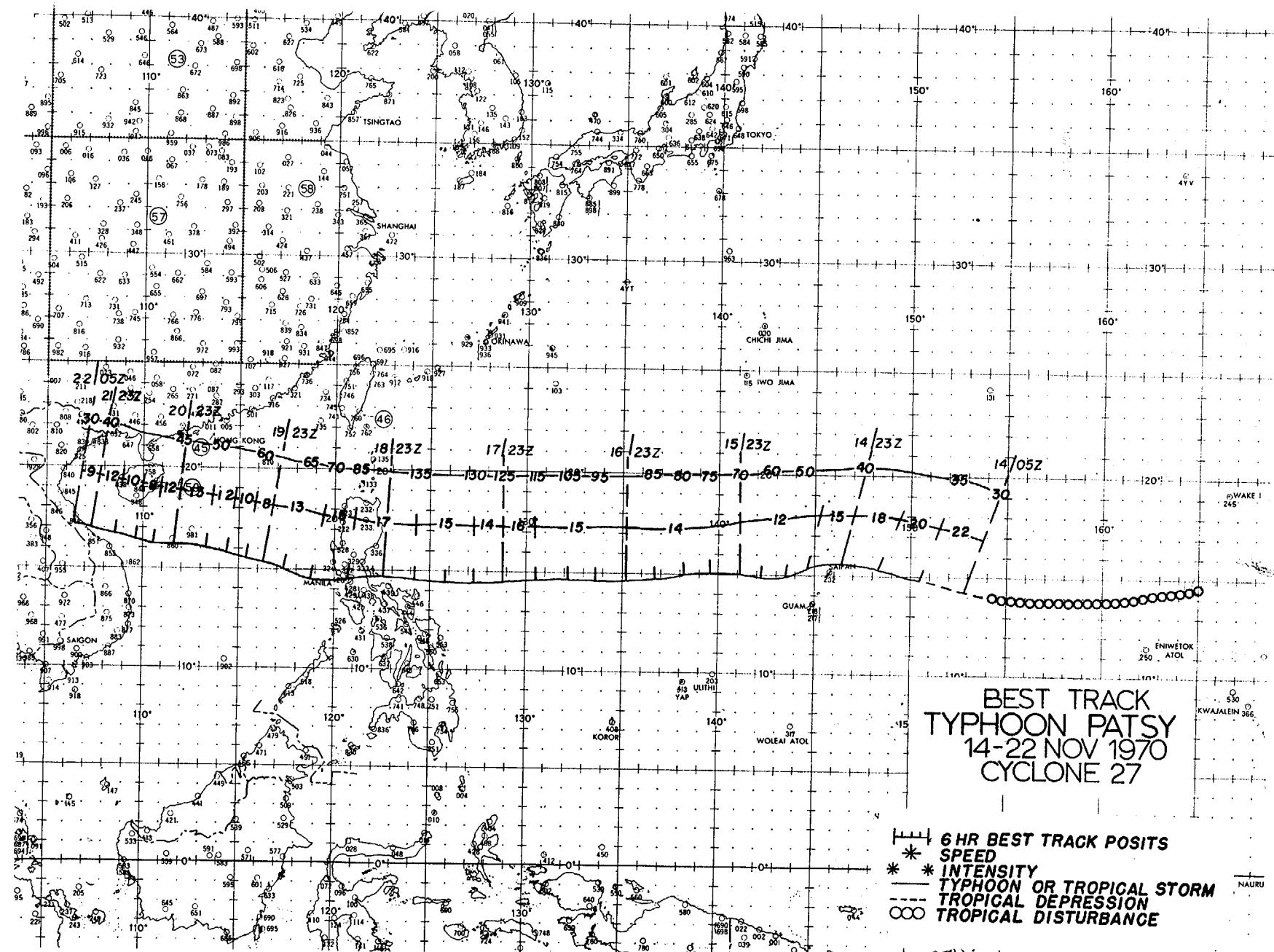
1. STATISTICS

- a. Number of Warnings Issued - 33
- b. Number of Warnings with Typhoon Intensity - 19
- c. Distance Traveled During Warning Period - 2,917 MI

2. CHARACTERISTICS AS A TYPHOON

- a. Minimum Observed SLP - 918 MBS at 18/2200Z
- b. Minimum Observed 700 MB Height - 2256 M at 18/0957Z
- c. Maximum Surface Wind - 135 KTS (From Best Track)
- d. Maximum Radius of Surface Circulation - 600 MI

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3. TYPHOON PATSY NARRATIVE

Culminating a light typhoon season, Patsy showed herself in embryonic form as a disturbance southeast of Wake Island on the 10th of November. Associated with an upper level circulation in the Mid-Pacific trough the system tracked slightly south of west for three days gradually reflecting downward to the surface as a wave trough.

By the 13th satellite photographs from the ESSA-8 and ITOS-1 indicated further development was in process as cloudiness was taking on a more organized character. However, reconnaissance aircraft could locate no closed circulation at the surface, as the speed of translation (22 knots) of the system and the presence of a 200 mb shearline to its north apparently inhibited further intensification.

During the early morning hours of the 14th a surface depression formed just east of the Marianas' chain. Patsy was at the threshold of tropical storm strength as she slowed in forward speed to 12 knots and passed just north of Saipan near noon. The U. S. Coast Guard station on the island indicated a barometer dip to 999 mb and gusts to 30 knots in thunderstorms. (See Figure 5-23 for satellite view sequence of Patsy.)

As development was occurring practically in the backyard of the Joint Typhoon Warning Center on Guam, the opportunity presented itself to view by radar the transformations that were taking place. The FPS-81 (5cm) collocated at Fleet Weather Central began to detect spiral band activity in the afternoon and later indications of a developing eye, as the storm started to move out of range. A reconnaissance aircraft confirmed the following morning that Patsy had attained typhoon force 200 miles west northwest of Guam.

For the next four days, a strong ridge line prevented any meridional component to the typhoon's westward movement at 14 to 15 knots. Luzon now became the target of a third typhoon in as many months.

Approaching the southeastern periphery of a 200 mb anticyclone centered near the Luzon straits, Patsy began a steady reduction in central pressure on the morning of the 17th which increased her maximum winds to super typhoon strength by the following afternoon. Near daybreak on the 19th, a reconnaissance aircraft at 500 mb fixed the 20 mile diameter eye in Luzon's Lamon Bay 105 miles east of Manila. The winds were estimated near 135 knots while a dropsonde reading indicated deepening had bottomed out at 918 mb.

A few hours earlier, the center had passed 40 miles north of the U. S. Coast Guard station on Catanduanes Island. Westerly winds of 90 knots with gusts to 100 knots were experienced while the barometer showed a reading of 975.7 mb.

Arriving ashore by mid-morning Patsy showed little slowdown in forward speed as she roared through the metropolitan area of Manila creating considerable havoc. Calms of varying times up to 35 minutes were reported during her high noon passage. Not since Winnie in June of 1964 had a typhoon so seriously affected the city of Manila.

During the siege the President Taft was torn from its anchorage and collided with the Greek vessel Aliakmon in Manila Bay while the coastal freighter PMI Engineer and a passenger ship of the Philippine President Lines were blown aground.

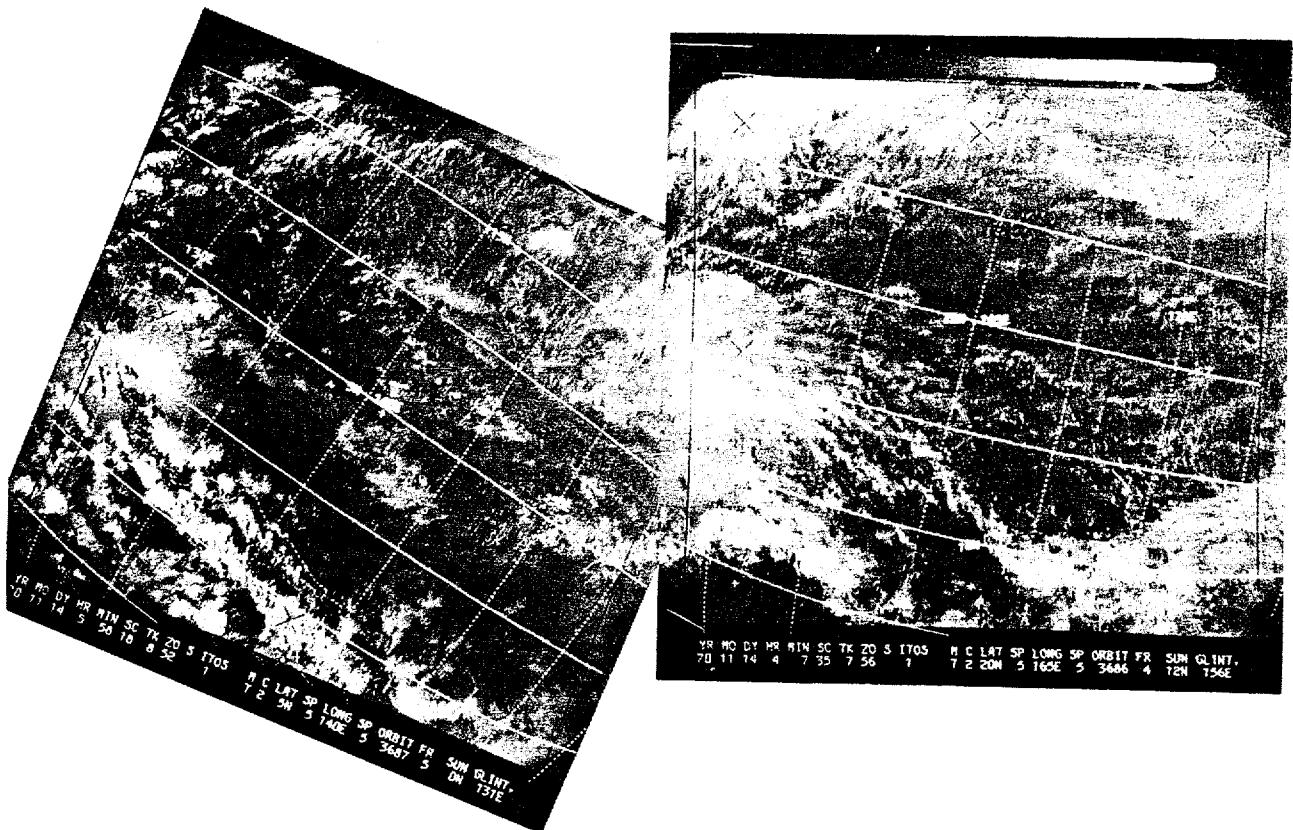
Manila International Airport reported a peak gust to 108 knots with the lowest reported pressure 969.3 mb. Both the Naval Station at Sangley Point on Manila Bay and Naval Air Station at Cubi Point on Subic Bay recorded gusts to 78 knots as Patsy's center passed within 10 miles.

The storm was responsible for 241 deaths and 1,756 injured with an additional 351 reported missing. At least 135 of the deaths occurred at sea. The damage toll incurred was near 80 million dollars (U.S.) as there were an estimated 31,380 refugees in Manila alone whose homes were completely or partially destroyed. Patsy stands on record as the most devastating to strike Manila, since the establishment of the Philippine Weather Bureau in 1865.

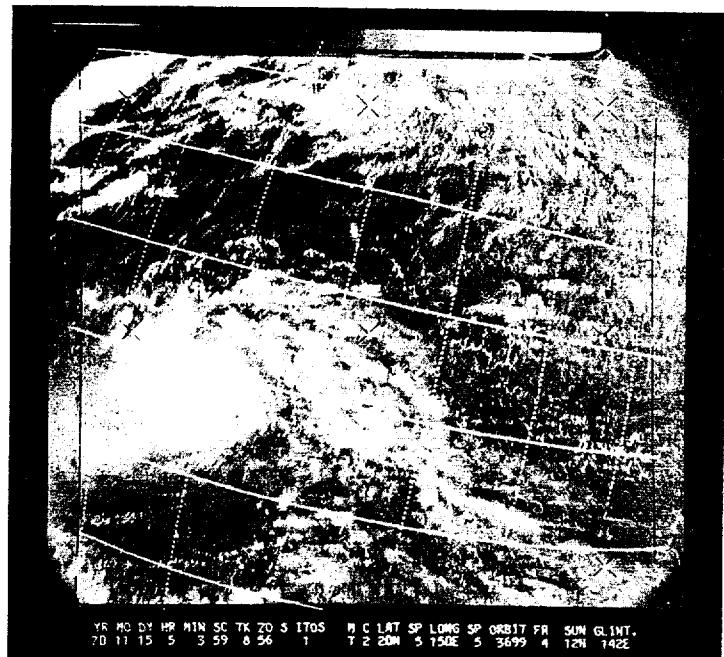
Leaving Luzon, the organized structure of the typhoon had been disrupted by her transit over the rugged islands. Patsy later weakened to tropical storm strength as she moved further into the South China Sea on the 19th. The cooler water and the modifying effect of the northeast monsoon acted as a barrier to any reintensification.

As a small high cell in the Gulf of Tonkin began to give way to a trough in the westerlies, the course of the storm shifted north of west which brought the center inland near the 17th parallel of the Indochina coastline on the 22nd. Quang Tri, just south of where the center struck, reported winds of 35 knots and gusts to 47 knots. Shortly afterwards the circulation broke up and dissipated over the highland region.

FIGURE 5-23 ITOS-1 VIEW SEQUENCE OF TYPHOON PATSY

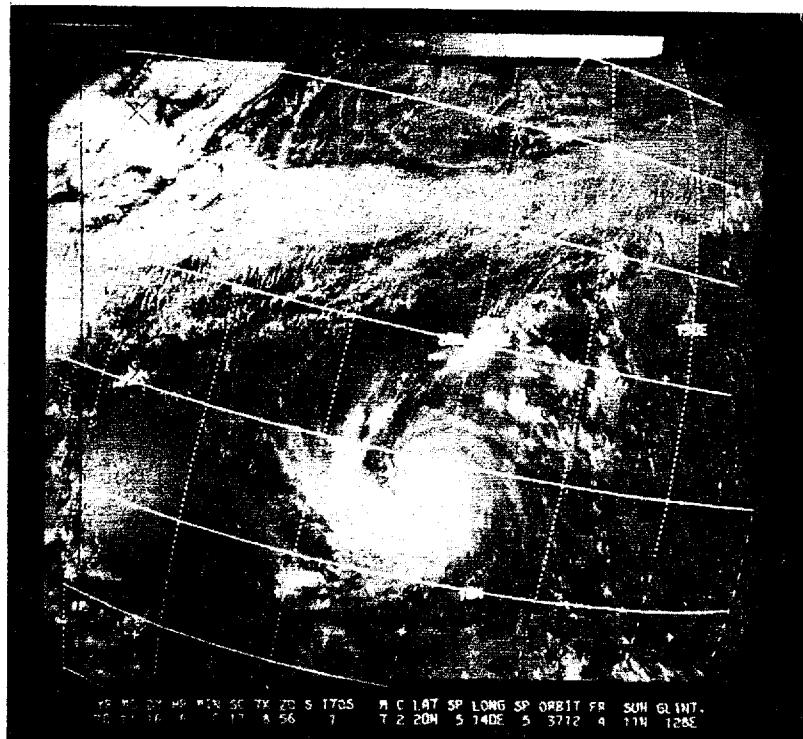


14 NOVEMBER - WAVE STAGE

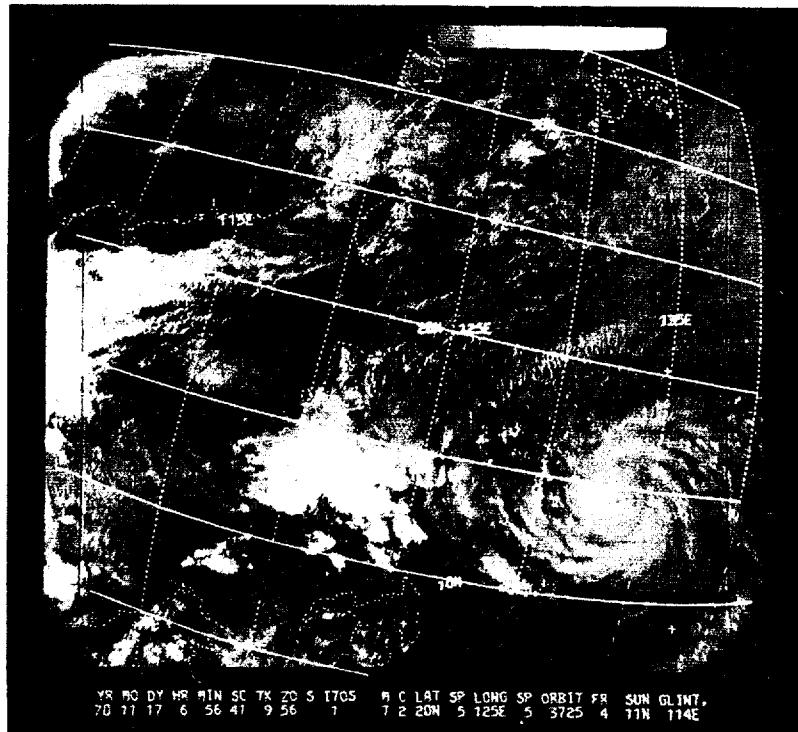


15 NOVEMBER - TROPICAL STORM STAGE

FIGURE 5-23 (CONT.) ITOS-1 VIEW SEQUENCE OF TYPHOON PATSY

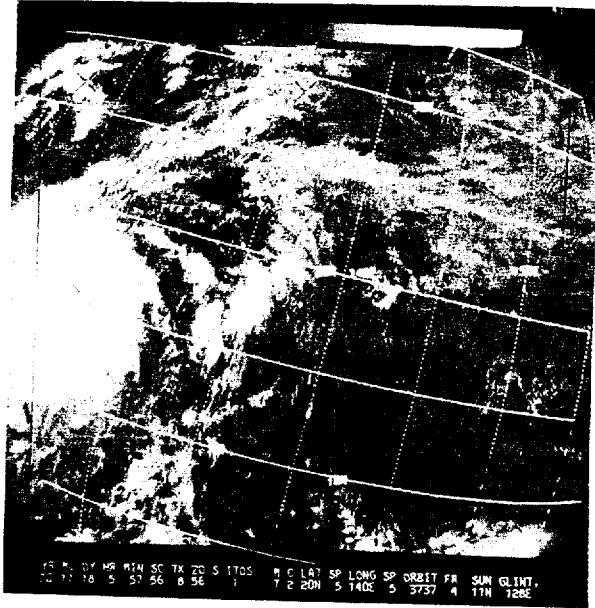


16 NOVEMBER - TYPHOON STRENGTH (75 KT)

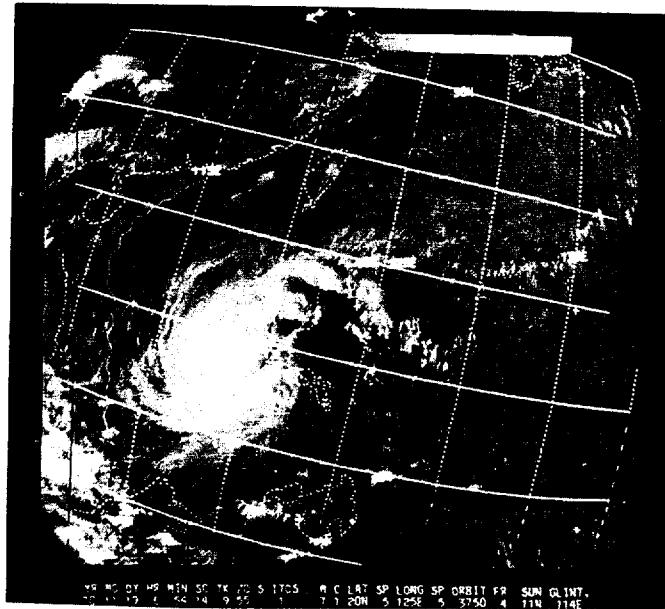


17 NOVEMBER - TYPHOON STRENGTH (95 KT)

FIGURE 5-23 (CONT.) ITOS-1 VIEW SEQUENCE OF TYPHOON PATSY



18 NOVEMBER - SUPER TYPHOON STRENGTH (130 KT)



19 NOVEMBER - TYPHOON STRENGTH (80 KT) - WEAKENED AFTER TRAVERSE OF LUZON.

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TYPHOON PATSY

EYE FIXES CYCLONE

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| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | UNIT- MET-OD -ACCY | FLT FLT LVL | WDS LVL WHD WnD | DWS SRC MIN SLP | DRS 700MB HGT | MIN 700MB | FLT LVL TT/TO | EYE FORM | ORIEN- TATION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | 130506Z | 13.0N 159.6E | SLTLS | STG 8 | DIA -- | CAT - | | | | | | | ----- |
| 2 | 140408Z | 13.5N 153.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 2 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 3 | 141030Z | 14.7N 150.4E | VW-P-20--- | 0500M | -- | 028 | 016 | --- | 25/26 | --- | | | ----- |
| 4 | 142030Z | 15.3N 147.4E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 035 | 040 | 995 | 3082 | 12/11 | --- | | | NEG W/C |
| 5 | 140030Z | 15.4N 146.0E | 54-P-02-- | 700MB | -- | 040 | 998 | 3088 | 14/13 | --- | | | W/C DEVLPG SE QUAD |
| 6 | 150315Z | 15.3N 145.3E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | -- | 040 | 998 | 3075 | 16/14 | --- | | | W/C DEVLPG SE QUAD |
| 7 | 150504Z | 14.5N 145.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 05 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 8 | 150633Z | 15.0N 144.4E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 9 | 150836Z | 15.0N 144.2E | VW-P-06-- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | CIRC | ---- | 17 | WK W/C S-W-NW |
| 10 | 150945Z | 15.0N 144.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 11 | 151245Z | 14.6N 143.6E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 12 | 151500Z | 14.9N 142.9E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 13 | 151518Z | 14.8N 143.2E | VW-L-10-- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | CIRC | ---- | 20 | 7NM THK, OPEN W |
| 14 | 152100Z | 15.0N 141.6E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 040 | 065 | 986 | 3021 | 16/12 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | CLSD |
| 15 | 160000Z | 15.1N 140.8E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 070 | 080 | 990 | 3018 | 15/11 | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD |
| 16 | 160300Z | 14.9N 140.0E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 067 | 090 | 989 | 3008 | 15/11 | CIRC | ---- | 10 | CLSD |
| 17 | 160600Z | 14.6N 139.7E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 03 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 18 | 160759Z | 15.3N 138.5E | ACFT RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 19 | 161018Z | 15.0N 138.3E | VW-P-05-- | -- | 030 | -- | -- | -- | --/- | ELIP | NE-SW | 36X17 | INTENSE SE & W |
| 20 | 161450Z | 14.8N 137.6E | VW-P-10-- | 700MB | -- | -- | -- | 2957 | 19/11 | ELIP | NW-SE | 12X10 | OPEN NW |
| 21 | 162100Z | 14.6N 135.7E | 54-P-07-- | 700MB | 000 | 070 | 972 | 2853 | 16/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 18X09 | BRKN NRN HALF |
| 22 | 170300Z | 14.7N 134.5E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 070 | 080 | 961 | 2755 | 18/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 16X12 | CLSD |
| 23 | 170656Z | 14.7N 133.5E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 01 | CAT 3 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 24 | 170903Z | ~ 14.4N 132.5E | VW-P-15-- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | ELIP | NW-SE | 16X08 | CLSD |
| 25 | 171400Z | 14.6N 131.5E | VW-P-05-- | 700MB | -- | 940 | 2582 | 17/12 | ELIP | N-S | 16X08 | CLSD | |
| 26 | 172100Z | 14.3N 129.2E | 54-P-05-- | 700MB | 102 | -- | 930 | 2475 | 20/13 | CONC | 30-08 | OUTER-CLSD, INNER-CLSD | |
| 27 | 1H0300Z | 14.6N 127.9E | 54-P-03-- | 700MB | 080 | 120 | 922 | 2402 | 22/12 | ELIP | NW-SE | 25X15 | CLSD, 5-8NM THK |
| 28 | 1H0600Z | 14.0N 127.0E | SLTLS | STG X | DIA 05 | CAT 4 | | | | | | | ----- |
| 29 | 1H0800Z | 14.6N 127.1E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 30 | - 1H0957Z | 14.2N 126.6E | VW-P-05-- | 700MB | 118 | -- | 916 | 2256 | 26/11 | CIRC | ---- | 18 | CLSD, 6-14NM THK |
| 31 | 181336Z | 14.6N 125.7E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 32 | 181436Z | 14.6N 124.9E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 33 | 181517Z | 14.5N 124.8E | VW-P-05-- | 700MB | 080 | -- | -- | -- | --/- | CIRC | ---- | 15 | CLSD, 6-15NM THK |
| 34 | 181536Z | 14.6N 124.6E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 35 | 181636Z | 14.8N 124.5E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 36 | 181736Z | 14.8N 124.2E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 37 | 181836Z | 14.8N 123.8E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 38 | 181936Z | 14.6N 123.6E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 39 | 182040Z | 14.7N 123.2E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 40 | 182200Z | 14.5N 123.0E | 54-P-03-- | 500MB | 070 | 095 | 918 | --- | 09/-5 | CIRC | ---- | 20 | CLSD, 5-10NM THK |
| 41 | 182210Z | 14.7N 122.8E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 42 | 182340Z | 14.7N 122.6E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 43 | 190110Z | 14.6N 122.2E | 54-P-01-- | 500MB | 100 | 100 | --- | --- | 10/-6 | CIRC | ---- | 16 | CLSD, 10NM THK |
| 44 | 190115Z | 14.7N 122.0E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 45 | 190140Z | 14.8N 122.2E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 46 | 190208Z | 14.9N 121.5E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 47 | 190225Z | 14.8N 121.6E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |
| 48 | 190240Z | 14.8N 121.2E | LND RUR | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | --/- | --- | | | ----- |

TYphoon Patsy
EYE FIXES CYCLONE

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| FIX NO. | TIME | POSIT | UNIT-MET- -ACCY | FLT | LVL | WND | SFC WND | DRS SLP | MIN HGT | 700MB | FLT TT/TO | LVL FORM | EYE | ORIENTA- TION | EYE DIA | CHARACTER WALL CLOUD |
|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-----|---------|---------|---------|-------|-----------|----------|-----|------------------|---------|-------------------------|
| 49 | 190325Z | 14.9N 121.7E | LND RDR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 50 | 190445Z | 14.9N 120.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 51 | 190505Z | 14.9N 120.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 52 | 190635Z | 14.6N 120.5E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 53 | 190645Z | 14.5N 119.8E | SLTLS SIG X | DIA 03 | CAT 4 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 54 | 190800Z | 15.3N 119.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 55 | 190830Z | 15.3N 119.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 56 | 190846Z | 14.5N 119.8E | VW-R-1U--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 57 | 190900Z | 15.2N 118.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 58 | 191000Z | 15.2N 118.6E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 59 | 191045Z | 15.5N 118.4E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 60 | 191145Z | 15.0N 118.2E | LND RUR | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 61 | 191418Z | 14.8N 118.1E | VW-P-02--- | 0300M | 071 | 065 | 987 | --- | --- | 26/22 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C |
| 62 | 192355Z | 15.8N 115.5E | VW-R-02--- | --- | 050 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NO APRNT W/C |
| 63 | 200200Z | 15.4N 115.6E | VW-R-2U--- | --- | 045 | 045 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | FRMG W QUAD, 6NM THK |
| 64 | 200300Z | 15.4N 115.7E | 54-R-15--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | FORMD S-NW |
| 65 | 200751Z | 15.0N 114.0E | SLTLS SIG X | DIA 04 | CAT 3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 66 | 200917Z | 15.5N 114.3E | VW-R-15--- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 67 | 200936Z | 15.7N 115.0E | VW-P-05--- | 0500M | 040 | 045 | 989 | --- | 26/24 | CIRC | --- | --- | 30 | OPEN N SEMICIR | --- | |
| 68 | 201414Z | 15.8N 113.9E | VW-P-03--- | 700MB | 030 | --- | 987 | 3042 | 19/12 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | NEG W/C | |
| 69 | 210300Z | 15.9N 111.0E | 54-P-05--- | 700MB | 040 | 035 | 998 | 3037 | 13/11 | CIRC | --- | --- | 14 | WK W/C OPEN S | --- | |
| 70 | 210847Z | 16.0N 109.5E | SLTLS SIG X | DIA 03 | CAT 2 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | ----- |
| 71 | 210915Z | 16.3N 109.7E | VW-P-05--- | 0400M | 047 | 050 | 988 | --- | 28/21 | CIRC | --- | --- | 10 | NEG W/C | --- | |
| 72 | 211152Z | 16.3N 109.5E | VW-P-02--- | 0400M | 043 | 045 | 996 | --- | 26/23 | CIRC | --- | --- | 10 | NEG W/C | --- | |
| 73 | 211453Z | 16.7N 108.8E | VW-P-03--- | 0400M | 043 | 040 | 998 | --- | 26/21 | CIRC | --- | --- | 10 | NEG W/C | --- | |

TYPHOON PATSY

TROPICAL CYCLONE 27 -- 11/14/0500Z TO 11/22/0500Z
POSITION AND FORECAST VERIFICATION DATA

| WARN NO. | DTG | WARNING POSIT | | BEST TRACK | | 24 HR FCST | | 24 HR ERROR | | 48 HR FCST | | 48 HR ERROR | | 72 HR FCST | | 72 HR ERROR | |
|-------------|----------|---------------|--------|------------|--------|------------|--------|-------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|--------|------------|-------|-------------|----------|
| | | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST | LAT | LONG | DEG DIST |
| 01 | 14/0500Z | 13.8N | 152.7E | 14.3N | 152.8E | 13.8N | 146.0E | 143-0108 | 14.9N | 140.0E | 108-0018 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 02 | 14/1100Z | 13.7N | 151.0E | 14.8N | 148.3E | 13.9N | 144.9E | 129-0090 | 15.4N | 138.4E | 027-0024 | 16.0N | 133.3E | 041-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 03 | 14/1700Z | 13.8N | 149.5E | 15.2N | 148.3E | 14.2N | 143.0E | 144-0048 | 15.7N | 137.1E | 019-0054 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 04 | 14/2300Z | 15.4N | 146.5E | 15.4N | 146.4E | 15.2N | 139.5E | 277-0090 | 16.0N | 133.3E | 305-0132 | 16.6N | 128.3E | 351-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 05 | 15/0500Z | 15.2N | 144.7E | 15.3N | 144.8E | 14.7N | 138.2E | 258-0078 | 15.0N | 132.9E | 293-0042 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 06 | 15/1100Z | 14.9N | 143.6E | 14.9N | 143.6E | 14.0N | 137.9E | 186-0060 | 14.2N | 132.8E | 129-0042 | 15.1N | 128.3E | 077-0150 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 07 | 15/1700Z | 14.7N | 142.9E | 14.9N | 142.4E | 14.1N | 139.2E | 106-0150 | 14.0N | 135.1E | 097-0264 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 08 | 15/2300Z | 15.0N | 141.1E | 15.0N | 141.1E | 15.0N | 135.3E | 019-0018 | 14.7N | 130.8E | 085-0120 | 14.7N | 126.7E | 090-0246 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 09 | 16/0500Z | 14.9N | 139.5E | 15.0N | 139.6E | 14.6N | 133.8E | 134-0006 | 14.7N | 129.3E | 084-0114 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 10 | 16/1100Z | 15.0N | 138.1E | 15.0N | 138.1E | 14.9N | 132.8E | 072-0036 | 14.8N | 128.6E | 084-0168 | 14.6N | 124.5E | 090-0318 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 11 | 16/1700Z | 14.8N | 137.1E | 14.8N | 136.7E | 14.8N | 132.2E | 083-0096 | 14.8N | 128.0E | 087-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 12 | 16/2300Z | 14.5N | 135.2E | 14.7N | 135.2E | 14.0N | 129.5E | 125-0048 | 14.3N | 124.6E | 100-0126 | 14.9N | 120.5E | 095-0240 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 13 | 17/0500Z | 14.7N | 134.0E | 14.7N | 133.7E | 14.7N | 128.4E | 079-0060 | 15.2N | 123.0E | 075-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 14 | 17/1100Z | 14.5N | 132.0E | 14.7N | 132.1E | 14.7N | 126.0E | 046-0012 | 14.9N | 121.1E | 082-0120 | 15.1N | 116.9E | 104-0144 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 15 | 17/1700Z | 14.5N | 130.8E | 14.6N | 130.5E | 14.8N | 125.0E | 075-0042 | 14.8N | 120.1E | 090-0144 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 16 | 17/2300Z | 14.5N | 128.7E | 14.5N | 129.7E | 15.0N | 122.5E | 019-0018 | 14.9N | 117.6E | 108-0072 | 14.8N | 113.5E | 104-0096 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 17 | 18/0500Z | 14.5N | 127.4E | 14.5N | 127.3E | 15.2N | 121.3E | 040-0042 | 15.2N | 116.2E | 119-0048 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 18 | 18/1100Z | 14.4N | 126.2E | 14.5N | 125.7E | 15.2N | 120.3E | 064-0078 | 15.2N | 115.4E | 119-0060 | 15.2N | 111.3E | 126-0120 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 19 | 18/1700Z | 14.5N | 124.4E | 14.6N | 124.2E | 15.2N | 118.5E | 070-0048 | 15.2N | 113.5E | 046-0012 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 20 | 18/2300Z | 14.4N | 122.8E | 14.7N | 122.4E | 15.0N | 116.8E | 126-0030 | 15.1N | 111.9E | 134-0006 | 14.9N | 107.8E | 169-0126 | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 21 | 19/0500Z | 14.9N | 121.1E | 14.6N | 120.7E | 15.2N | 115.1E | 207-0024 | 15.0N | 110.2E | 189-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 22 | 19/1100Z | 14.6N | 119.2E | 14.6N | 119.0E | 14.7N | 113.4E | 222-0078 | 14.2N | 109.4E | 183-0132 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 23 | 19/1700Z | 14.7N | 117.4E | 14.9N | 117.6E | 14.6N | 111.7E | 255-0084 | 13.3N | 107.3E | 200-0216 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 24 | 19/2300Z | 14.7N | 115.9E | 15.3N | 116.3E | 14.3N | 110.1E | 241-0108 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 25 | 20/0500Z | 15.2N | 115.5E | 15.6N | 115.4E | 14.7N | 109.8E | 201-0102 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 26 | 20/1100Z | 15.7N | 114.7E | 15.7N | 114.4E | 16.1N | 110.2E | 120-0030 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 27 | 20/1700Z | 15.8N | 113.3E | 15.0N | 113.2E | 15.4N | 108.4E | 185-0078 | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 28 | 20/2300Z | 15.9N | 111.9E | 15.2N | 111.8E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 29 | 21/0500Z | 15.8N | 110.5E | 16.3N | 110.5E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 30 | 21/1100Z | 16.3N | 109.4E | 16.4N | 109.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 31 | 21/1700Z | 16.6N | 108.5E | 16.7N | 108.6E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 32 | 21/2300Z | 16.8N | 107.5E | 17.0N | 107.3E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| 33 | 22/0500Z | 17.1N | 106.4E | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |

AVERAGE 24 HOUR ERROR - 0061 MI.
AVERAGE 48 HOUR ERROR - 0101 MI.
AVERAGE 72 HOUR ERROR - 0166 MI.

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DEFINITION OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS IN CHAPTER 5

1. The units used in the tables and figures in this chapter are as follows:

DISTANCE - Nautical Miles/Speed Knots

HEIGHT OF PRESSURE LEVEL - Meters

PRESSURE - Millibars

TEMPERATURE - Degrees Celsius

2. With reference to eye fix data summaries, the following terms and abbreviations are used:

- a. UNIT - Reconnaissance unit that made the fix.

54WRS = 54th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron

VW-1 = Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE

- b. METHOD

P = Penetration

R = Airborne Radar

SLTLS = Position Based on NESS Satellite Bulletins

LND RDR = Land Radar

ACFT RDR = Aircraft Radar (Commercial or Military) Other than 54 or VW

- c. ACCY - Estimated navigational accuracy of the fix in nautical miles.

- d. FLT LVL TT/TO - Flight level temperature inside/outside the eye or center.

- e. CHARACTER WALL CLOUD - Extent to which the wall cloud encloses the eye and its thickness based on reconnaissance estimate. Remark as to its development may also appear under this heading.

Abbreviations used in CHARACTER WALL CLOUD columns follow:

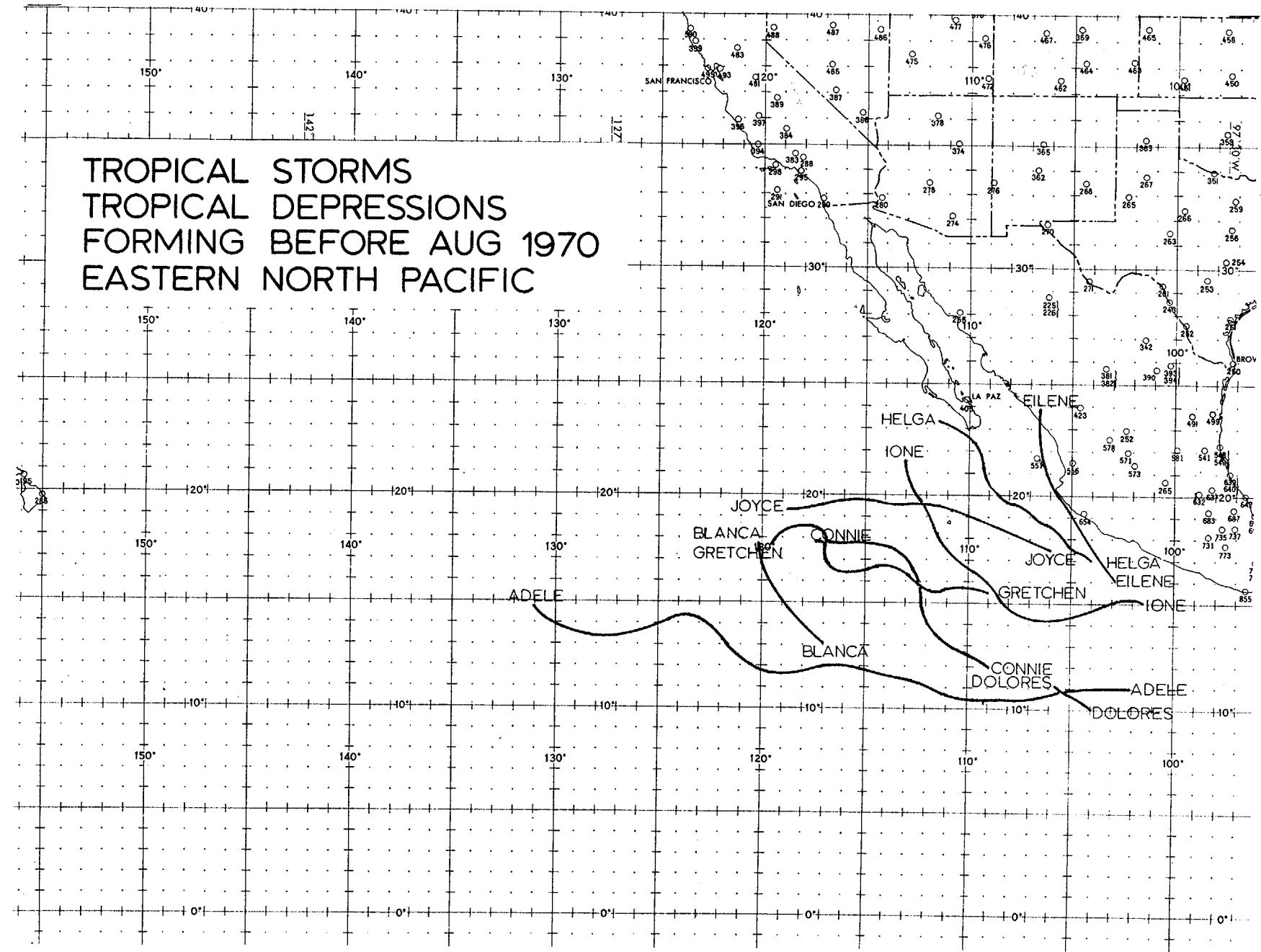
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|----------|---------------|---------|--------------|
| ALQUADS | All quadrants | FB | Feeder bands |
| APRNT | Apparent | FORMD | Formed |
| APRS | Appears | FORMG | Forming |
| BLDG | Building | HLF | Half |
| BRKG | Breaking | HVY | Heavy |
| BRKN | Broken | IRREG | Irregular |
| BRKS | Breaks | NEG | Negative |
| CLSD | Closed | ORG | Organized |
| CONC | Concentric | PRESNT | Presentation |
| DEF | Defined | QUAD | Quadrant |
| DEGENRTG | Degenerating | REFORMG | Reforming |
| DETERG | Deteriorating | RDR | Radar |
| DEVLPG | Developing | ROTATG | Rotating |
| DIFF | Difficult | SEMICIR | Semicircle |
| DISCRNBL | Discernable | SEP | Separate |
| DISORG | Disorganized | SML | Small |
| DISIPTG | Dissipating | W/C | Wall cloud |
| | | WK | Weak |

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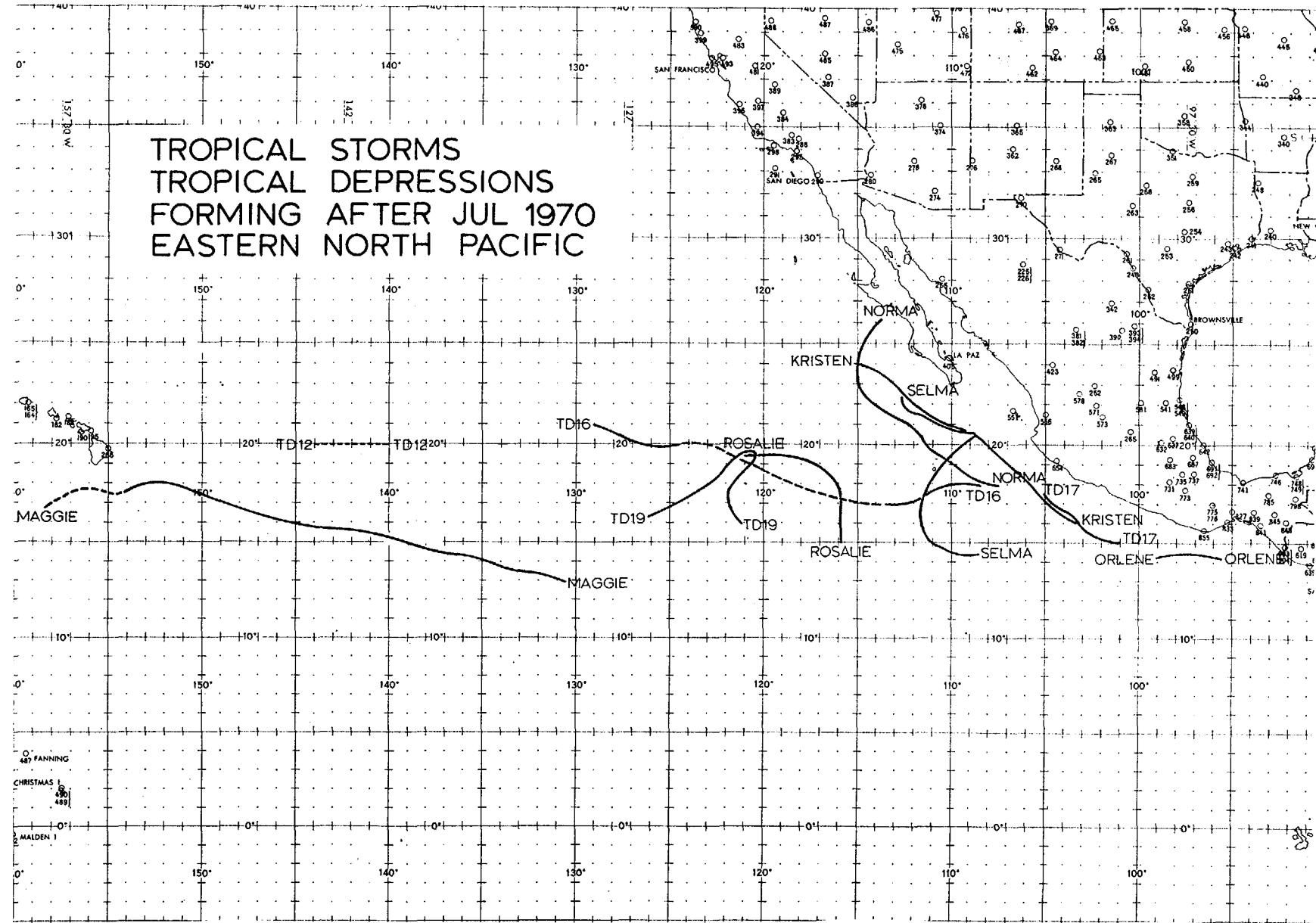
SUMMARY OF TROPICAL CYCLONES
IN THE
EASTERN NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN
FOR
1970

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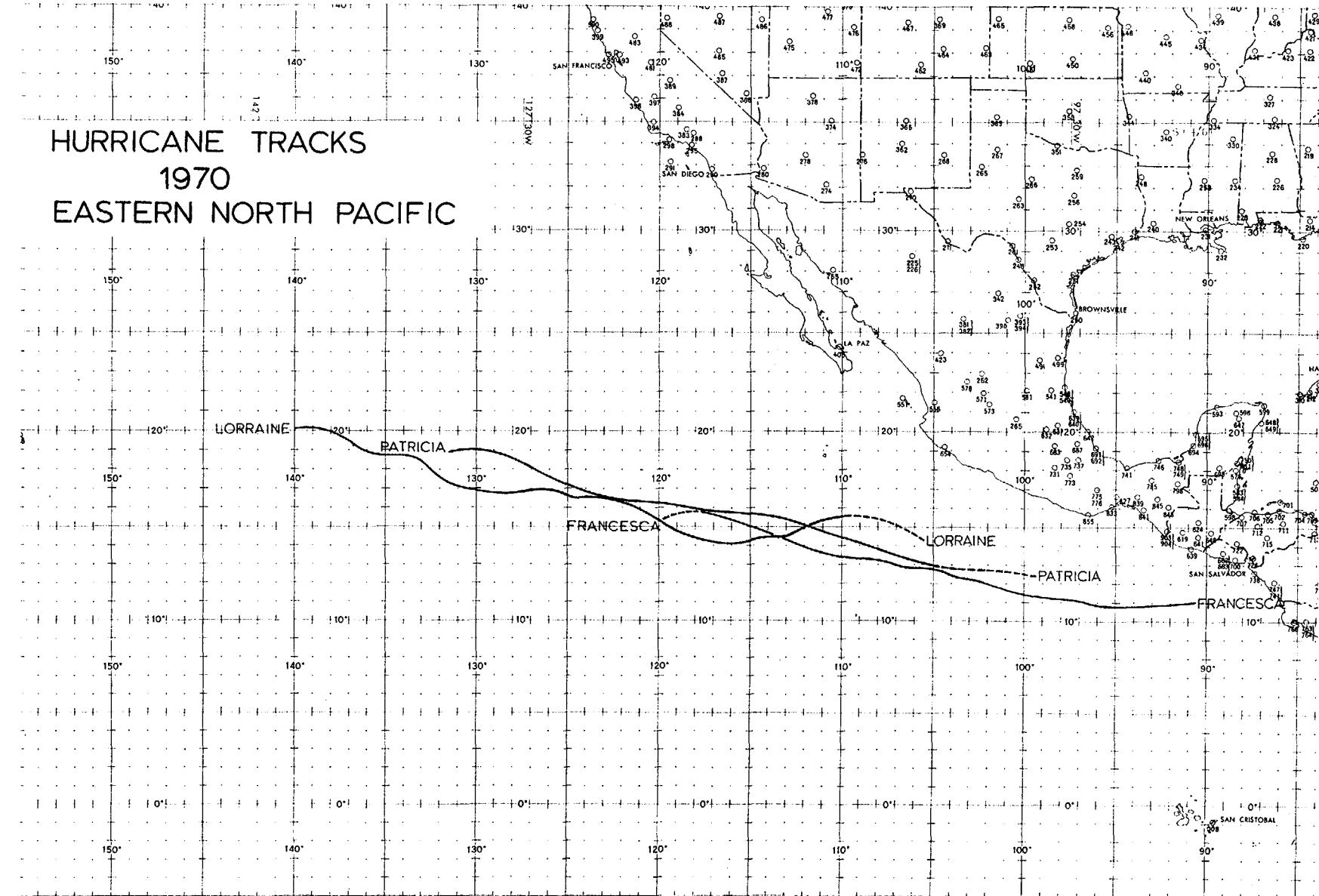


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**TROPICAL STORMS
TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS
FORMING AFTER JUL 1970
EASTERN NORTH PACIFIC**



HURRICANE TRACKS
1970
EASTERN NORTH PACIFIC



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During the 1970 EASTPAC Tropical Cyclone season, Fleet Weather Central, Alameda issued a total of 350 tropical warnings on three hurricanes, fifteen tropical storms and three tropical depressions. Two tropical cyclones, "Hurricane LORRAINE" and Tropical Storm "MAGGIE" moved out of Alameda's area of responsibility. The total of twenty-one tropical cyclones represents the second highest year of record, with only 1968, when 25 cyclones were reported, exceeding this season. No specific reason for this increase over 1969 exists, however it is felt that increased knowledge and use of the weather satellite pictures, the use of reconnaissance aircraft throughout the season, and more active participation by Maritime observers transiting the Eastern Pacific region were of significant aid in more accurately describing the existing situation in EASTPAC.

The following five year summary covering tropical cyclones originating in Fleet Weather Central, Alameda's area of responsibility is presented for comparison. Included are warnings for prior years issued by Fleet Weather Central, Pearl Harbor, when the tropical cyclone originated in the Alameda area.

| | <u>1966</u> | <u>1967</u> | <u>1968</u> | <u>1969</u> | <u>1970</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOTAL NUMBER OF WARNINGS | 342 | 474 | 531 | 219 | 350 |
| CALENDAR DAYS OF WARNINGS | 70 | 119 | 126 | 67 | 98 |
| TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS | 6 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 3 |
| TROPICAL STORMS | 6 | 12 | 13 | 6 | 15 |
| HURRICANES | 7 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| TOTAL TROPICAL CYCLONES | 19 | 20 | 25 | 15 | 21 |

FORECASTING TOOLS: Tools used for forecasting tropical cyclone progress included twice daily readouts of the Fleet Numerical Weather Central, Monterey's "HATRACK" steering program; twice daily readouts of Fleet Weather Central, Pearl Harbor's "TYRACK" steering program, as well as extrapolation and subjective reasoning. Some of the greatest assets to forecasting included APT satellite pictures received daily via FOFAK and the satellite bulletins from FWF Suitland, Md.

Eastern Pacific hurricane flights by the EASTPAC detachment of VW-1, as well as recon fixes by the 55th Weather Recon Squadron, 9th Weather Wing, were invaluable for accurately tracking positions and determining intensities of tropical cyclones and hurricanes.

A total of 53 missions were flown in support of the 1970 Eastern Pacific Hurricane Center's recon requirements. Most recon flights were launched to provide daylight penetration and center fixes of the tropical cyclones, and at a time as close as possible to the daily weather satellite pass for a cross check on the accuracy of the satellite location of tropical cyclones from pictures. At least one mission was flown on every tropical cyclone that occurred.

Due to the restricted range of the Navy aircraft, fixes over 1200 miles from Point Mugu were made by the Air Force. Data obtained from the Air Force aircraft flying at both 300 and 500 mb levels were helpful in accurately determining positions and intensities of the tropical cyclones.

DAMAGE: Three tropical storms, "EILEEN", "HELGA", and "NORMA" went ashore, or passed close to the west coast of Mexico during 1970. One tropical storm, "MAGGIE", passed about 80 miles south of the island of Hawaii, dumping copious amounts of rain on the windward side of the "Big Island". Local flooding was reported as a result of "MAGGIE". No reports of damage from any of the three storms which struck Mexico are available, however, rainfall in excess of 5 inches was reported along the Mogollon Rim and in the Bradshaw Mountains of Arizona with local flooding and crop damage as a result of tropical storm "NORMA" going inland to the south in Baja, California. No dollar estimates of crop losses from cyclones in the Eastern Pacific are available.

TROPICAL CYCLONES FOR THE 1970 SEASON
ORIGINATED BY FLEET WEATHER CENTRAL, ALAMEDA

| | <u>CYCLONE</u> | <u>PERIOD</u> |
|----|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 01 | TROPICAL STORM ADELE | 31 MAY - 07 JUN 1970 |
| 02 | TROPICAL STORM BLANCA | 09 JUN - 13 JUN 1970 |
| 03 | TROPICAL STORM CONNIE | 17 JUN - 22 JUN 1970 |
| 04 | TROPICAL STORM DOLORES | 19 JUN - 20 JUN 1970 |
| 05 | TROPICAL STORM EILEEN | 27 JUN - 29 JUN 1970 |
| 06 | HURRICANE FRANCESCA | 02 JUL - 09 JUL 1970 |
| 07 | TROPICAL STORM GRETCHEN | 14 JUL - 20 JUL 1970 |
| 08 | TROPICAL STORM HELGA | 16 JUL - 20 JUL 1970 |
| 09 | TROPICAL STORM IONE | 22 JUL - 26 JUL 1970 |
| 10 | TROPICAL STORM JOYCE | 29 JUL - 02 AUG 1970 |
| 11 | TROPICAL STORM KRISTEN | 05 AUG - 08 AUG 1970 |
| 12 | HURRICANE LORRAINE | 17 AUG - 26 AUG 1970 |
| 13 | TROPICAL STORM MAGGIE | 20 AUG - 22 AUG 1970 |
| 14 | TROPICAL STORM NORMA | 01 SEP - 05 SEP 1970 |
| 15 | TROPICAL STORM ORLENE | 07 SEP - 08 SEP 1970 |
| 16 | TROPICAL DEPRESSION SIXTEEN | 15 SEP - 21 SEP 1970 |
| 17 | TROPICAL DEPRESSION SEVENTEEN | 25 SEP - 26 SEP 1970 |
| 18 | HURRICANE PATRICIA | 04 OCT - 11 OCT 1970 |
| 19 | TROPICAL DEPRESSION NINETEEN | 20 OCT - 23 OCT 1970 |
| 20 | TROPICAL STORM ROSALIE | 21 OCT - 24 OCT 1970 |
| 21 | TROPICAL STORM SELMA | 01 NOV - 07 NOV 1970 |

TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS 1970
POSITION DATA

TROPICAL DEPRESSION ONE SIX
15 SEP - 21 SEP

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| 151800Z | 18.0N | 108.3W | *201800Z | 20.0N | 124.5W |
| 160000Z | 18.0N | 110.0W | 210000Z | 19.9N | 125.2W |
| 160600Z | 17.7N | 110.9W | 210600Z | 20.1N | 126.5W |
| 161200Z | 17.3N | 111.7W | 211200Z | 20.5N | 127.8W |
| 161800Z | 17.0N | 112.6W | 211800Z | 21.0N | 129.0W |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION ONE SEVEN
25 SEP - 26 SEP

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 251800Z | 15.2N | 101.0W | 261200Z | 17.0N | 104.4W |
| 260000Z | 15.7N | 102.7W | 261800Z | 17.5N | 105.0W |
| 260600Z | 16.5N | 103.6W | | | |

TROPICAL DEPRESSION ONE NINE
20 OCT - 23 OCT

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 201800Z | 16.0N | 121.1W | 221200Z | 18.4N | 122.6W |
| 210000Z | 16.8N | 121.7W | 221800Z | 17.8N | 123.3W |
| 210600Z | 17.9N | 121.7W | 230000Z | 17.4N | 124.0W |
| 211200Z | 18.6N | 121.2W | 230600Z | 17.0N | 124.7W |
| 211800Z | 19.5N | 120.5W | 231200Z | 16.7N | 125.3W |
| 220000Z | 19.4N | 121.3W | 231800Z | 16.4N | 126.1W |
| 220600Z | 18.9N | 122.0W | | | |

*REGENERATED

TROPICAL STORMS 1970
POSITION DATA

TROPICAL STORM ADELE
31 MAY - 07 JUN

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 310600Z | 11.0N | 102.1W | 031800Z | 11.7N | 118.7W |
| 311200Z | 11.0N | 102.9W | 040000Z | 11.8N | 119.8W |
| 311800Z | 11.0N | 103.7W | 040600Z | 12.2N | 120.8W |
| 010000Z | 10.9N | 104.4W | 041200Z | 12.8N | 121.6W |
| 010600Z | 10.8N | 105.5W | 041800Z | 13.7N | 122.2W |
| 011200Z | 10.6N | 106.5W | 050000Z | 14.2N | 123.1W |
| 011800Z | 10.5N | 107.6W | 050600Z | 14.3N | 124.1W |
| 020000Z | 10.5N | 108.7W | 051200Z | 14.0N | 125.0W |
| 020600Z | 10.5N | 110.0W | 051800Z | 13.7N | 125.8W |
| 021200Z | 10.8N | 111.3W | 060000Z | 13.5N | 126.9W |
| 021800Z | 11.2N | 112.6W | 060600Z | 13.5N | 128.1W |
| 030000Z | 11.6N | 113.9W | 061200Z | 13.7N | 129.2W |
| 030600Z | 11.9N | 115.4W | 061800Z | 14.1N | 130.3W |
| 031200Z | 12.0N | 117.0W | 070000Z | 14.8N | 131.1W |

TROPICAL STORM BLANCA
09 JUN - 13 JUN

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 091800Z | 13.1N | 117.0W | 111800Z | 14.9N | 119.0W |
| 100000Z | 13.5N | 117.5W | 120000Z | 15.1N | 119.1W |
| 100600Z | 13.8N | 117.9W | 120600Z | 15.3N | 119.2W |
| 101200Z | 13.9N | 118.0W | 121200Z | 15.8N | 119.6W |
| 101800Z | 14.1N | 118.2W | 121800Z | 16.3N | 119.8W |
| 110000Z | 14.3N | 118.4W | 130000Z | 16.9N | 120.0W |
| 110600Z | 14.5N | 118.6W | 130600Z | 17.4N | 120.0W |
| 111200Z | 14.7N | 118.7W | 131200Z | 17.8N | 120.1W |

TROPICAL STORM CONNIE
17 JUN - 22 JUN

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 171800Z | 12.0N | 109.0W | 201200Z | 17.0N | 113.0W |
| 180000Z | 12.4N | 109.7W | 201800Z | 17.3N | 113.4W |
| 180600Z | 12.7N | 110.4W | 210000Z | 17.5N | 113.8W |
| 181200Z | 13.2N | 111.1W | 210600Z | 17.7N | 114.3W |
| 181800Z | 13.7N | 111.7W | 211200Z | 17.8N | 114.8W |
| 190000Z | 14.2N | 112.0W | 211800Z | 17.8N | 115.3W |
| 190600Z | 14.7N | 112.2W | 220000Z | 17.8N | 115.8W |
| 191200Z | 15.2N | 112.2W | 220600Z | 17.8N | 116.3W |
| 191800Z | 15.7N | 112.3W | 221200Z | 17.8N | 116.8W |
| 200000Z | 16.2N | 112.4W | 221800Z | 17.9N | 117.3W |
| 200600Z | 16.6N | 112.7W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM DOLORES
19 JUN - 20 JUN

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 191800Z | 10.0N | 104.0W | 201200Z | 10.8N | 105.3W |
| 200000Z | 10.3N | 104.4W | 210000Z | 11.1N | 105.7W |
| 200600Z | 10.5N | 104.8W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM EILEEN
27 JUN - 29 JUN

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 271800Z | 16.0N | 102.9W | 281800Z | 20.2N | 105.8W |
| 280000Z | 17.1N | 103.7W | 290000Z | 21.3N | 106.3W |
| 280600Z | 18.1N | 104.4W | 290600Z | 22.5N | 106.6W |
| 281200Z | 19.2N | 105.1W | 291200Z | 23.8N | 106.6W |

TROPICAL STORM GRETCHEN
14 JUL - 20 JUL

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 141800Z | 15.5N | 109.0W | 180000Z | 17.8N | 116.8W |
| 150000Z | 15.8N | 110.3W | 180600Z | 17.9N | 116.8W |
| 150600Z | 15.6N | 111.6W | 181200Z | 17.9N | 116.9W |
| 151200Z | 16.2N | 112.7W | 181800Z | 18.0N | 116.9W |
| 151800Z | 16.7N | 113.8W | 190000Z | 18.2N | 117.1W |
| 160000Z | 16.7N | 114.3W | 190600Z | 18.3N | 117.3W |
| 160600Z | 16.6N | 114.8W | 191200Z | 18.4N | 117.5W |
| 161200Z | 16.5N | 115.3W | 191800Z | 18.5N | 117.8W |
| 161800Z | 16.5N | 115.8W | 200000Z | 18.5N | 118.3W |
| 170000Z | 16.6N | 116.3W | 200600Z | 18.3N | 118.9W |
| 170600Z | 16.8N | 116.7W | 201200Z | 18.0N | 119.2W |
| 171200Z | 17.2N | 117.0W | 201800Z | 17.7N | 119.5W |
| 171800Z | 17.7N | 116.8W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM HELGA
16 JUL - 20 JUL

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 161800Z | 17.0N | 104.0W | 181800Z | 19.8N | 108.2W |
| 170000Z | 17.3N | 104.5W | 190000Z | 20.3N | 108.7W |
| 170600Z | 17.6N | 105.0W | 190600Z | 20.9N | 109.1W |
| 171200Z | 18.0N | 105.4W | 191200Z | 21.6N | 109.3W |
| 171800Z | 18.3N | 105.7W | 191800Z | 22.2N | 109.7W |
| 180000Z | 18.7N | 106.3W | 200000Z | 22.7N | 110.2W |
| 180600Z | 19.1N | 106.9W | 200600Z | 23.0N | 110.8W |
| 181200Z | 19.5N | 107.5W | 201200Z | 23.3N | 111.5W |

TROPICAL STORM IONE
22 JUL - 26 JUL

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|-----------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 221800Z | 15.0N | 101.5W | 250600Z | 17.8N | 111.2W |
| 230000Z | 15.2N | 102.5W | 251200Z | 18.7N | 111.7W |
| **240000Z | 15.5N | 108.6W | 251800Z | 19.7N | 112.1W |
| 240600Z | 15.9N | 109.1W | 260000Z | 20.0N | 112.5W |
| 241200Z | 16.3N | 109.6W | 260600Z | 20.5N | 112.8W |
| 241800Z | 16.7N | 110.1W | 261200Z | 21.0N | 113.0W |
| 250000Z | 17.0N | 110.5W | 261800Z | 21.5N | 113.0W |

TROPICAL STORM JOYCE
29 JUL - 02 AUG

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 291800Z | 17.5N | 106.0W | 010000Z | 19.6N | 112.9W |
| 300000Z | 17.8N | 106.8W | 010600Z | 19.7N | 113.8W |
| 300600Z | 18.1N | 107.5W | 011200Z | 19.8N | 114.6W |
| 301200Z | 18.4N | 108.2W | 011800Z | 19.8N | 115.5W |
| 301800Z | 18.7N | 108.9W | 020000Z | 19.7N | 116.3W |
| 310000Z | 19.0N | 109.7W | 020600Z | 19.6N | 117.1W |
| 310600Z | 19.3N | 110.5W | 021200Z | 19.5N | 117.9W |
| 311200Z | 19.5N | 111.3W | 021800Z | 19.3N | 118.8W |
| 311800Z | 19.6N | 112.2W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM KRISTEN
05 AUG - 08 AUG

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 051800Z | 16.0N | 103.0W | 071200Z | 21.0N | 110.0W |
| 060000Z | 16.4N | 103.9W | 071800Z | 21.9N | 111.8W |
| 060600Z | 17.0N | 104.7W | 080000Z | 22.6N | 112.4W |
| 061200Z | 17.7N | 105.4W | 080600Z | 23.2N | 113.1W |
| 061800Z | 18.4N | 106.1W | 081200Z | 23.7N | 113.9W |
| 070000Z | 19.5N | 107.2W | 081800Z | 24.0N | 115.0W |
| 070600Z | 20.5N | 108.5W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM MAGGIE
20 AUG - 22 AUG

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| 201800Z | 13.0N | 130.5W | 220000Z | 14.2N | 135.4W |
| 210000Z | 13.3N | 131.5W | 220600Z | 14.4N | 136.5W |
| 210600Z | 13.5N | 132.5W | 221200Z | 14.6N | 137.5W |
| 211200Z | 13.6N | 133.5W | *221800Z | 14.8N | 138.6W |
| 211800Z | 13.9N | 134.4W | | | |

*PASSED TO FWC HAWAII

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TROPICAL STORM NORMA
01 SEP - 05 SEP

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 010000Z | 18.0N | 107.5W | 031200Z | 21.9N | 113.9W |
| 010600Z | 18.1N | 108.1W | 031800Z | 22.4N | 114.5W |
| 011200Z | 18.3N | 108.6W | 040000Z | 22.6N | 114.7W |
| 011800Z | 18.6N | 109.2W | 040600Z | 22.9N | 114.9W |
| 020000Z | 19.0N | 109.8W | 041200Z | 23.1N | 114.9W |
| 020600Z | 19.4N | 110.5W | 041800Z | 23.4N | 114.9W |
| 021200Z | 19.9N | 111.2W | 050000Z | 23.8N | 115.0W |
| 021800Z | 20.5N | 111.6W | 050600Z | 24.4N | 115.0W |
| 030000Z | 21.1N | 112.3W | 051200Z | 25.0N | 114.7W |
| 030600Z | 21.4N | 113.1W | 051800Z | 26.2N | 113.8W |

TROPICAL STORM ORLENE
07 SEP - 08 SEP

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| 072100Z | 14.3N | 95.5W | 081200Z | 14.6N | 98.0W |
| 080000Z | 14.4N | 96.0W | 081800Z | 14.3N | 99.0W |
| 080600Z | 14.6N | 97.0W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM ROSALIE
21 OCT - 24 OCT

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 211800Z | 15.0N | 115.9W | 230600Z | 19.4N | 118.2W |
| 220000Z | 15.9N | 115.9W | 231200Z | 19.5N | 119.1W |
| 220600Z | 16.8N | 115.9W | 231800Z | 19.5N | 120.0W |
| 221200Z | 17.7N | 116.1W | 240000Z | 19.5N | 120.5W |
| 221800Z | 18.6N | 116.6W | 240600Z | 19.5N | 121.0W |
| 230000Z | 19.1N | 117.3W | | | |

TROPICAL STORM SELMA
01 NOV - 07 NOV

| DTG | LAT | LONG | DTG | LAT | LONG |
|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| 011800Z | 14.5N | 108.5W | 041200Z | 19.8N | 109.7W |
| 020000Z | 14.5N | 109.2W | 041800Z | 20.2N | 109.2W |
| 020600Z | 14.6N | 109.8W | 050000Z | 20.5N | 108.8W |
| 021200Z | 14.8N | 110.4W | 050600Z | 20.7N | 109.4W |
| 021800Z | 15.0N | 111.0W | 051200Z | 20.8N | 110.0W |
| 030000Z | 15.8N | 111.5W | 051800Z | 21.0N | 110.6W |
| 030600Z | 16.7N | 111.6W | 060000Z | 21.2N | 111.1W |
| 031200Z | 17.5N | 111.4W | 060600Z | 21.4N | 111.6W |
| 031800Z | 18.3N | 111.0W | 061200Z | 21.6N | 112.0W |
| 040000Z | 18.8N | 110.6W | 061800Z | 21.9N | 112.4W |
| 040600Z | 19.3N | 110.2W | 070000Z | 22.3N | 112.7W |

INDIVIDUAL HURRICANE TRACKS
FOR 1970
IN THE EASTERN NORTH PACIFIC OCEAN

HURRICANE FRANCESCA
021600Z JUL TO 090000Z JUL 1970

I. DATA

A. STATISTICS

1. NUMBER OF WARNINGS ISSUED - 27
2. NUMBER OF WARNINGS WITH HURRICANE INTENSITY - 9
3. TOTAL DISTANCE TRAVELED DURING TROPICAL WARNING PERIOD - 1780NM.

B. CHARACTERISTICS

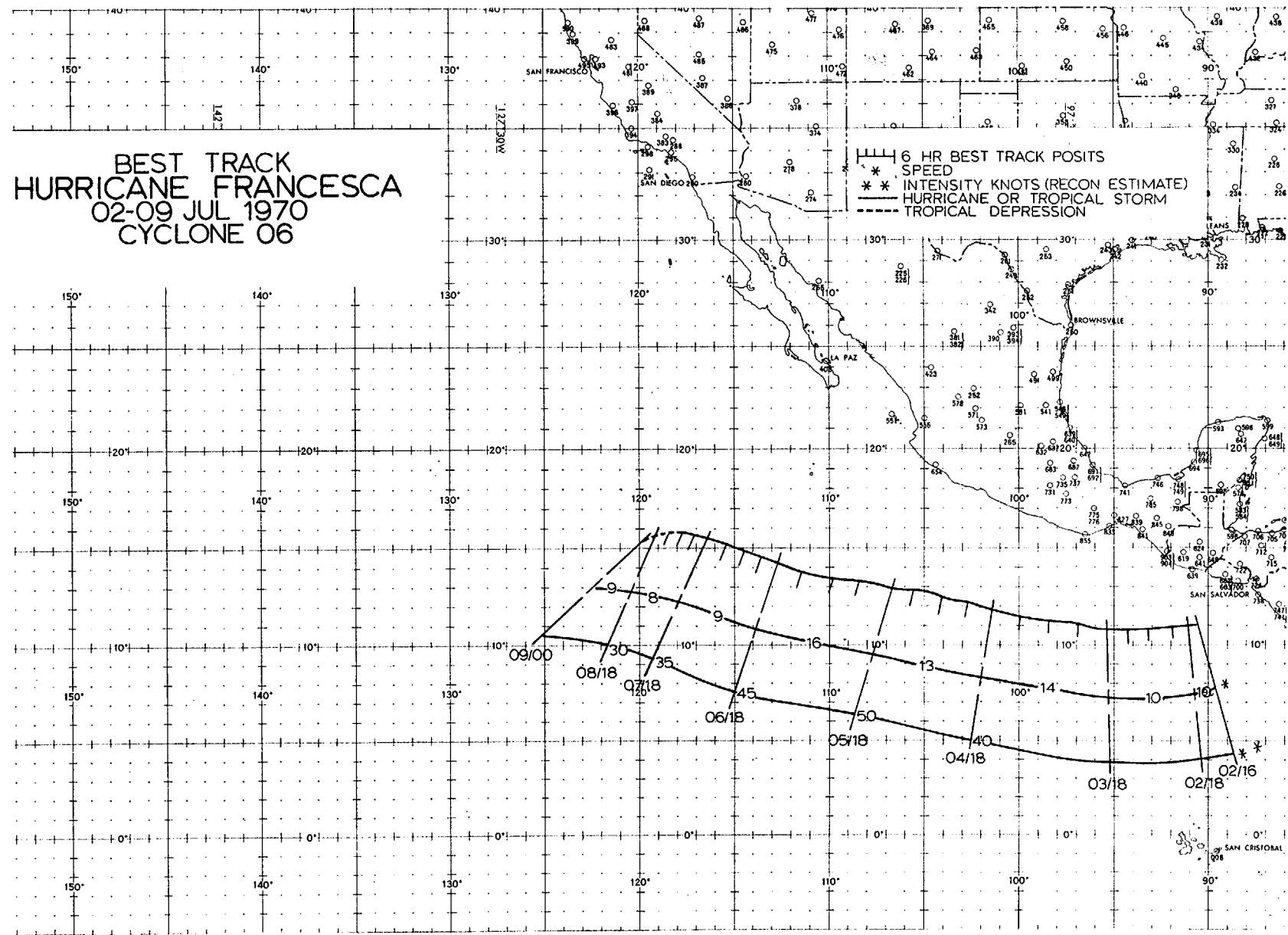
1. MINIMUM OBSERVED SLP - 991.0MB
2. MINIMUM OBSERVED 700MB HEIGHT - NOT OBSERVED
3. MAXIMUM SURFACE WIND - 80 KTS (EST.)
4. MAXIMUM RADIUS OF SURFACE CIRCULATION - 360 MI.

II. DEVELOPMENT

- A. INITIAL IMPETUS - ITCZ (TROPICAL CYCLONE #6)
- B. INITIAL SURFACE VORTEX: 021600Z (ESSA 8)
- C. TIME STORM REACHED HURRICANE INTENSITY: 031800Z

III. FINAL DISPOSITION

A. DISSIPATED OVER WATER



BEST TRACK
HURRICANE FRANCESCA
02-09 JUL 1970
CYCLONE 06

6 HR BEST TRACK POSITS
* SPEED
** INTENSITY KNOTS (RECON ESTIMATE)
--- HURRICANE OR TROPICAL STORM
---- TROPICAL DEPRESSION

AN-15

POSITION FROM BEST TRACK AND VERIFICATION DATA

| | STORM POSIT | 24 HR ERROR | 48 HR ERROR | 72 HR ERROR |
|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TIME | LAT | LONG | DEG/DIST | DEG/DIST |
| 021600Z | 11.0N | 90.6W | - | - |
| 021800Z | 11.0N | 91.0W | - | - |
| 030000Z | 10.9N | 91.9W | - | - |
| 030600Z | 10.9N | 93.1W | - | - |
| 031200Z | 10.8N | 94.2W | - | - |
| 031800Z | 10.8N | 95.3W | 035/100 | - |
| 040000Z | 11.0N | 96.9W | 050/135 | - |
| 040600Z | 11.2N | 98.4W | 060/156 | - |
| 041200Z | 11.4N | 99.9W | 055/102 | - |
| 041800Z | 11.8N | 101.3W | 090/125 | - |
| 050000Z | 12.2N | 102.7W | 120/174 | 070/270 |
| 050600Z | 12.6N | 104.0W | 115/246 | 075/275 |
| 051200Z | 12.9N | 105.4W | 100/246 | 075/246 |
| 051800Z | 13.0N | 106.7W | 340/048 | 085/268 |
| 060000Z | 13.3N | 108.3W | 125/063 | 115/220 |
| 060600Z | 13.5N | 109.8W | 115/080 | 110/359 |
| 061200Z | 13.8N | 111.3W | 265/055 | 095/366 |
| 061800Z | 14.3N | 112.7W | 080/090 | 050/097 |
| 070000Z | 14.6N | 113.6W | 330/047 | 130/105 |
| 070600Z | 14.9N | 114.4W | 310/085 | 145/096 |
| 071200Z | 15.2N | 115.3W | 340/031 | 250/172 |
| 071800Z | 15.5N | 116.3W | 295/108 | 040/054 |
| 080000Z | 15.7N | 117.0W | 285/140 | 305/189 |
| 080600Z | 15.9N | 117.7W | 290/182 | 300/237 |
| 081200Z | 15.9N | 118.4W | 290/216 | 315/128 |
| 081800Z | 15.8N | 119.1W | - | 315/235 |
| 090000Z | 15.6N | 119.8W | - | - |

24 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = 121 MI

48 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = 207 MI

72 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = 320 MI

AN-17

EYE FIXES TROPICAL CYCLONE #6 (HURRICANE FRANCESCA)

| <u>FIX NO.</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>POSIT</u> | <u>UNIT/ACCURACY</u> | <u>FLT LVL</u> | <u>OBS. SFC</u> | <u>OBS. WND</u> | <u>MIN 700</u> | <u>FLT LVL</u> | <u>EYE ORIEN FORM</u> | <u>DIAM EYE</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | KTS | SLP | HT | TT/TO | TATION | |
| 1 | 041800Z | 11.6N 101.3W | 9th AF | 20nm | 500/300mb | 40KTS | 991.0 | - | -- | E 01/20 15 |
| 2 | 051815Z | 13.0N 106.7W | 9th AF | 20nm | 500/300mb | 50KTS | 988.0 | - | -- | C 30 |
| 3 | 061740Z | 14.2N 112.6W | 9th AF | 10nm | 500/300mb | 45KTS | - | - | -- | C 35 |
| 4 | 071735Z | 15.4N 116.3W | VW-1 | 15nm | 700mb | 35KTS | - | - | -- | C 15 |
| 5 | 081737Z | 15.7N 119.1W | VW-1 | 20nm | 700mb | 30KTS | 1006.0 | - | -- | C 10 |

HURRICANE LORRAINE
172200Z AUG TO 261800Z AUG 1970

I. DATA

A. STATISTICS

1. NUMBER OF WARNINGS ISSUED - 37
2. NUMBER OF WARNINGS WITH HURRICANE INTENSITY - 11
3. TOTAL DISTANCE TRAVELED DURING TROPICAL WARNING PERIOD - 2070NM.

B. CHARACTERISTICS

1. MINIMUM OBSERVED SLP - 963MB
2. MINIMUM OBSERVED 700MB HEIGHT - NOT OBSERVED
3. MAXIMUM SURFACE WIND - 85 KTS
4. MAXIMUM RADIUS OF SURFACE CIRCULATION - 330 MI.

II. DEVELOPMENT

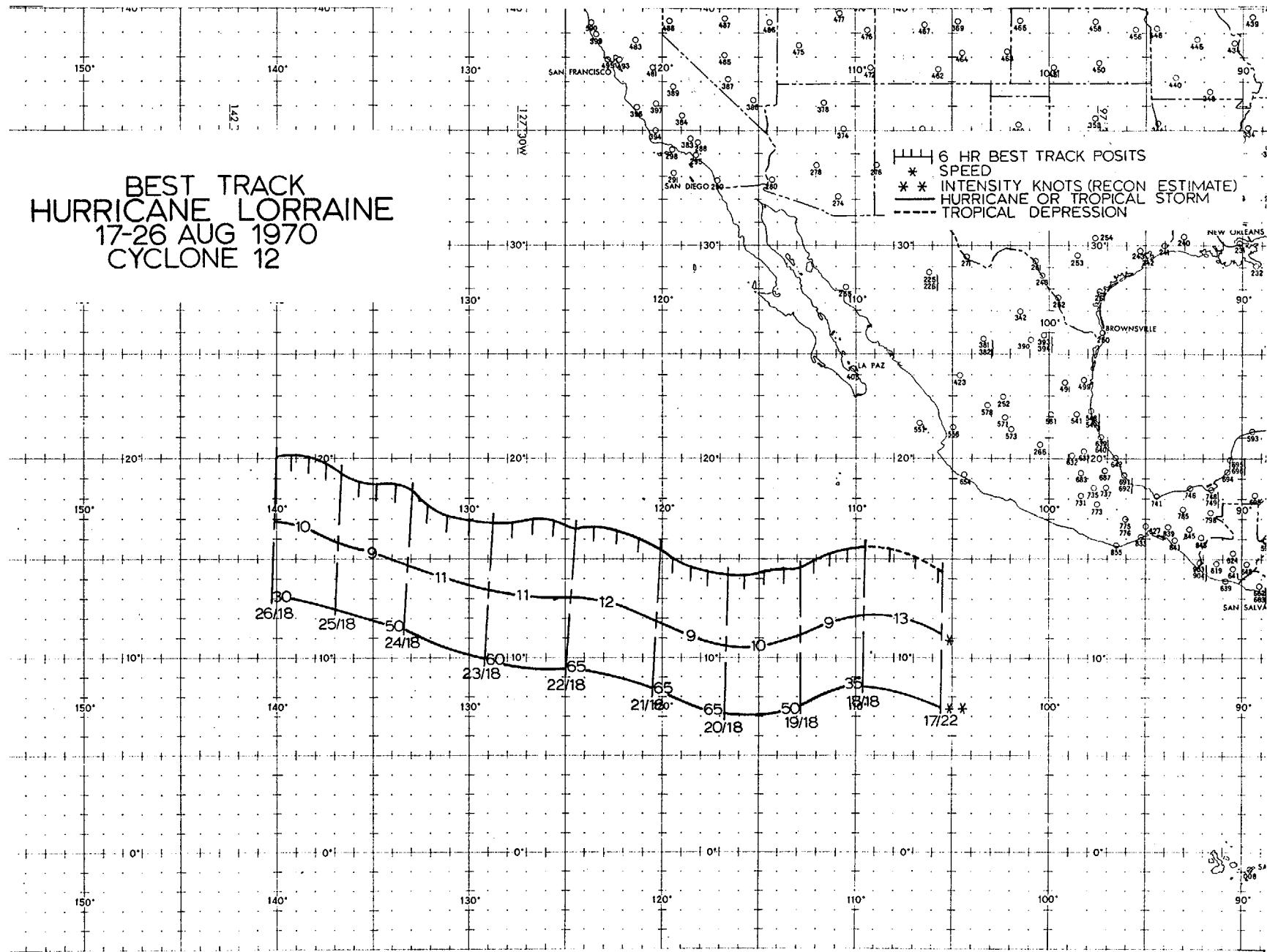
- A. INITIAL IMPETUS - ITCZ (TROPICAL CYCLONE #12)
- B. INITIAL SURFACE VORTEX: 172200Z (ITOS - 1)
- C. TIME STORM REACHED HURRICANE INTENSITY - 201800Z

III. FINAL DISPOSITION

- A. DISSIPATED OVER WATER (PASSED TO HAWAII)

BEST TRACK
HURRICANE LORRAINE
17-26 AUG 1970
CYCLONE 12

AN-19



POSITION FROM BEST TRACK AND VERIFICATION DATA

| | STORM POSIT 24 HR ERROR | 48 HR ERROR | 72 HR ERROR |
|--|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|--|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|

| <u>TIME</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> |
|-------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 172200Z | 14.3N | 105.5W | - | - | - |
| 180000Z | 14.4N | 105.7W | - | - | - |
| 180600Z | 15.0N | 106.9W | - | - | - |
| 181200Z | 15.4N | 108.2W | - | - | - |
| 181800Z | 15.5N | 109.5W | - | - | - |
| 190000Z | 15.4N | 110.4W | 045/074 | - | - |
| 190600Z | 15.2N | 111.3W | 040/123 | - | - |
| 191200Z | 14.9N | 112.1W | 025/164 | - | - |
| 191800Z | 14.5N | 112.8W | 345/147 | - | - |
| 200000Z | 14.4N | 113.7W | 350/172 | - | - |
| 200600Z | 14.3N | 114.7W | 350/200 | - | - |
| 201200Z | 14.2N | 115.7W | 355/225 | - | - |
| 201800Z | 14.2N | 116.6W | 060/039 | 350/250 | - |
| 210000Z | 14.3N | 117.6W | 160/068 | 350/258 | - |
| 210600Z | 14.6N | 118.5W | 180/078 | 350/260 | - |
| 211200Z | 15.0N | 119.4W | 200/032 | 350/260 | - |
| 211800Z | 15.4N | 120.1W | 185/070 | 135/075 | - |
| 220000Z | 15.9N | 121.2W | 165/105 | 180/162 | 350/252 |
| 220600Z | 16.3N | 122.3W | 160/132 | 180/180 | - |
| 221200Z | 16.6N | 123.5W | 155/156 | 140/076 | - |
| 221800Z | 16.4N | 124.5W | 100/087 | 135/123 | - |
| 230000Z | 16.9N | 125.6W | 095/101 | 150/188 | 175/222 |
| 230600Z | 16.9N | 126.7W | 085/120 | 145/198 | - |
| 231200Z | 16.8N | 127.8W | 070/150 | 140/200 | 090/131 |
| 231800Z | 16.8N | 128.8W | 010/084 | 075/155 | - |
| 240000Z | 16.9N | 130.0W | 010/103 | 075/198 | 135/224 |
| 240600Z | 17.1N | 131.1W | 010/109 | 075/218 | - |
| 241200Z | 17.6N | 132.1W | 010/066 | 080/232 | 135/282 |
| 241800Z | 18.3N | 132.9W | 185/110 | 005/078 | - |
| 250000Z | 18.6N | 133.8W | 200/102 | 355/087 | 090/246 |
| 250600Z | 18.6N | 134.8W | 205/101 | 350/096 | - |
| 251200Z | 18.8N | 135.7W | 200/114 | 260/042 | 080/273 |
| 251800Z | 19.2N | 136.6W | 260/035 | 190/213 | - |
| 260000Z | 19.7N | 137.4W | 240/054 | 218/184 | 340/108 |
| 260600Z | 20.0N | 138.3W | 245/060 | 205/204 | - |
| 261200Z | 20.1N | 139.2W | 060/152 | 205/210 | 220/124 |
| 261800Z | 20.0N | 140.0W | 095/073 | 270/090 | - |

PASSED TO FLEET WEATHER CENTRAL, PEARL HARBOR

24 HR FORECAST ERROR = 106 MI

48 HR FORECAST ERROR = 169 MI

72 HR FORECAST ERROR = 203.9 MI

AN-21

EYE FIXES TROPICAL CYCLONE #12 (HURRICANE LORRAINE)

| <u>FIX NO.</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>POSIT</u> | <u>UNIT/ACCURACY</u> | <u>FLT LVL</u> | <u>OBS. SFC WND</u> | <u>OBS. SLP</u> | <u>MIN 700 HT</u> | <u>FLT LVL TT/TO</u> | <u>EYE FORM</u> | <u>ORIEN- TATION</u> | <u>DIAM EYE</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 181806Z | 15.4N | 109.6W 9th AF | 10nm | 500mb | 35KTS | - | 3136M | -- | C | 10 |
| 2 | 191845Z | 14.5N | 112.8W VW-1 | 10nm | 700mb | 50KTS | - | - | 26/22 | E | 09/20 |
| 3 | 201830Z | 14.2N | 116.6W 9th AF | 10nm | 500mb | 65KTS | 988(c)2969M | - | - | E | 10/30 |
| 4 | 211720Z | 15.4N | 120.1W 9th AF | 10nm | 300mb | 65KTS | 978 | 2838M | -- | C | 20 |
| 5 | 221730Z | 16.7N | 124.4W 9th AF | 15nm | 300mb | 65KTS | 963 | - | -- | C | 17 |
| 6 | 231750Z | 16.8N | 128.7W 9th AF | 25nm | 300mb | 60KTS | 986 | - | 25/31 | C | 20 |
| 7 | 241830Z | 18.3N | 133.1W 9th AF | 10nm | 300mb | 50KTS | 994 | - | 29/33 | C | 20 |
| 8 | 261830Z | 20.0N | 140.0W 9th AF | 10nm | 300mb | 30KTS | - | - | -- | C | 40 |

HURRICANE PATRICIA
042100Z OCT TO 111800Z OCT 1970

I. DATA

A. STATISTICS

1. NUMBER OF WARNINGS ISSUED - 29
2. NUMBER OF WARNINGS WITH HURRICANE INTENSITY - 13
3. TOTAL DISTANCE TRAVELED DURING TROPICAL WARNING PERIOD - 1860NM.

B. CHARACTERISTICS

1. MINIMUM OBSERVED SLP - 976 MB
2. MINIMUM OBSERVED 700 MB HEIGHT - NOT OBSERVED
3. MAXIMUM SURFACE WIND - 95 KTS
4. MAXIMUM RADIUS OF SURFACE CIRCULATION - 360 MI.

II. DEVELOPMENT

- A. INITIAL IMPETUS - ITCZ (TROPICAL CYCLONE #18)
- B. INITIAL SURFACE VORTEX: 042100Z (ITOS - 1)
- C. TIME STORM REACHED HURRICANE INTENSITY - 061800Z

III. FINAL DISPOSITION

A. DISSIPATED OVER WATER

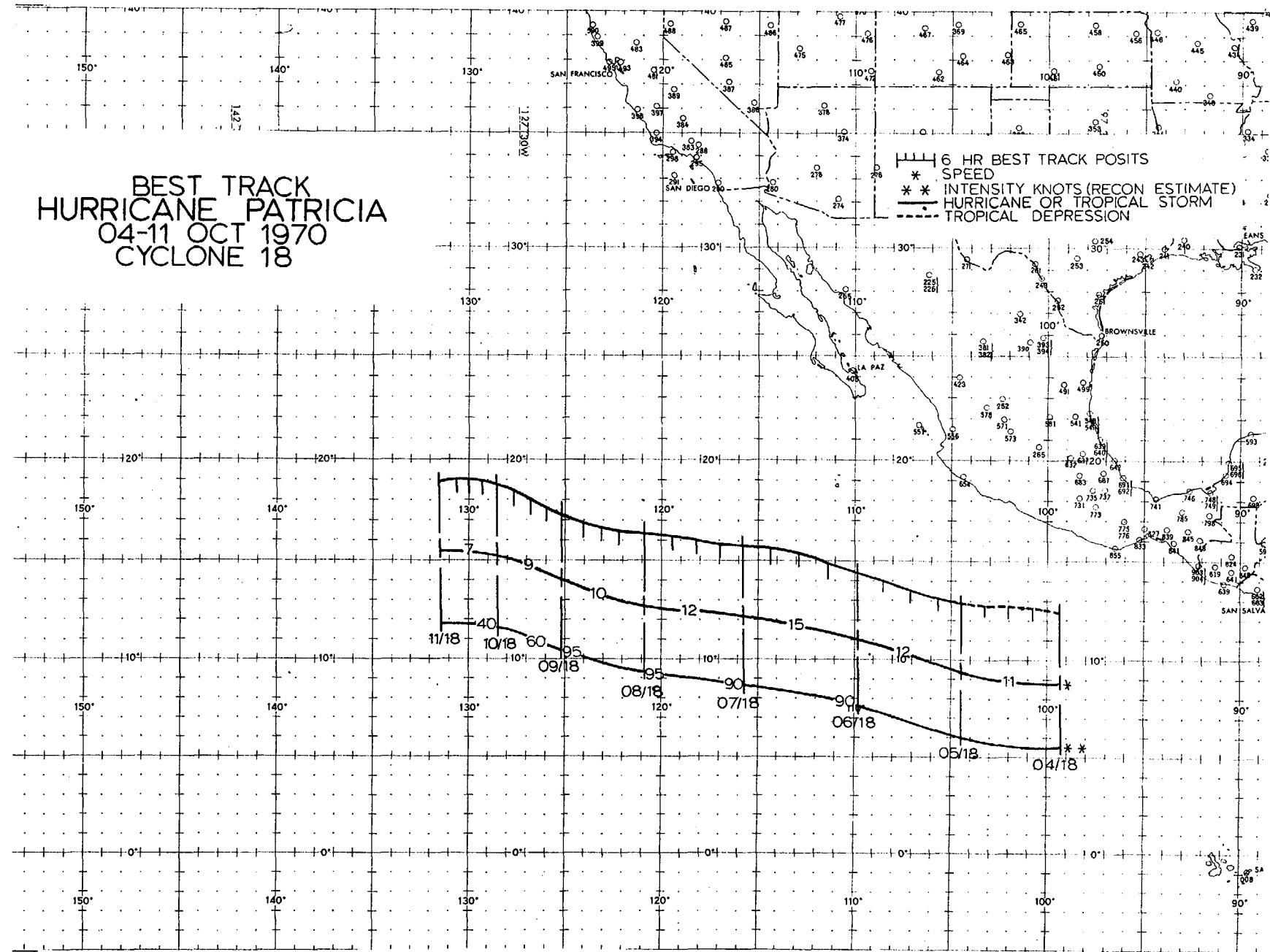
BEST TRACK
HURRICANE PATRICIA
04-11 OCT 1970
CYCLONE 18

W W 6 HR BEST TRACK POSITS

* SPEED

* * INTENSITY KNOTS (RECON ESTIMATE)

HURRICANE OR TROPICAL DEPRESSION



AN-23

POSITION FROM BEST TRACK AND VERIFICATION DATA

| | <u>STORM POSIT</u> | <u>24 HR ERROR</u> | <u>48 HR ERROR</u> | <u>72 HR ERROR</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <u>TIME</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> |
| 041800Z | 12.4N | 99.6W | - | - |
| 050000Z | 12.6N | 100.8W | - | - |
| 050600Z | 12.7N | 102.0W | - | - |
| 051200Z | 12.8N | 103.2W | - | - |
| 051800Z | 12.9N | 104.4W | 085/173 | - |
| 060000Z | 13.1N | 105.6W | 160/100 | - |
| 060600Z | 13.5N | 107.0W | 155/132 | - |
| 061200Z | 14.0N | 108.4W | 125/144 | - |
| 061800Z | 14.5N | 109.8W | 130/072 | - |
| 070000Z | 14.9N | 111.3W | 135/096 | - |
| 070600Z | 15.4N | 112.8W | 130/145 | - |
| 071200Z | 15.7N | 114.3W | 120/177 | - |
| 071800Z | 15.8N | 115.7W | 050/037 | 125/143 |
| 080000Z | 15.9N | 116.9W | 020/069 | 105/181 |
| 080600Z | 16.1N | 118.1W | 020/090 | 100/190 |
| 081200Z | 16.3N | 119.4W | 055/188 | 095/205 |
| 081800Z | 16.5N | 120.8W | 290/036 | 110/039 |
| 090000Z | 16.6N | 122.2W | 300/028 | 060/048 |
| 090600Z | 16.8N | 123.0W | 090/066 | 050/357 |
| 091200Z | 17.0N | 124.0W | 270/107 | 055/378 |
| 091800Z | 17.4N | 125.1W | 295/039 | 230/067 |
| 100000Z | 17.7N | 125.9W | 270/066 | 230/105 |
| 100600Z | 18.1N | 126.8W | 290/050 | 225/146 |
| 101200Z | 18.4N | 127.6W | 310/075 | 240/216 |
| 101800Z | 18.7N | 128.5W | 270/084 | 350/104 |
| 110000Z | 18.9N | 129.2W | 015/348 | 330/097 |
| 110600Z | 18.9N | 129.9W | 045/450 | 295/147 |
| 111200Z | 18.9N | 130.6W | 020/455 | 330/180 |
| 111800Z | 18.9N | 131.4W | 290/084 | 330/177 |

24 HR FORECAST ERROR = 132 MI
 48 HR FORECAST ERROR = 163.5 MI
 72 HR FORECAST ERROR = 271.5 MI

AN-25

EYE FIXES TROPICAL CYCLONE #18 (HURRICANE PATRICIA)

| <u>FIX NO.</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>POSIT</u> | | <u>UNIT/ACCURACY</u> | | <u>FLT</u> | <u>LVL</u> | <u>OBS. SFC</u> | <u>OBS. SLP</u> | <u>MIN</u> | <u>FLT LVL</u> | <u>EYE ORIEN- FORM</u> | <u>DIAM EYE</u> | |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|---|----------------------|---|-------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|------|
| | | ° | ' | | | | | KTS | M | HT | TT/TO | | | |
| 1 | 061829Z | 14.5 | N | 109.9 | W | 9th AF | 10nm | 500mb | 90KTS | 979 | - | 15/10 | C | 15 * |
| 2 | 071825Z | 15.8 | N | 115.7 | W | VW-1 | 10nm | 700mb | 90KTS | 976 | 2801M | 22/14 | C | 15 * |
| 3 | 081750Z | 16.5 | N | 120.8 | W | 9th AF | 10nm | 500mb | 95KTS | - | - | -- | C | 15 |
| 4 | 091745Z | 17.4 | N | 125.1 | W | VW-1 | 20nm | 700mb | 95KTS | 980 | - | 25/23 | C | 15 * |
| 5 | 100000Z | 18.7 | N | 125.7 | W | 9th AF(FAN) | 20nm | 300mb | 60KTS | - | - | -- | C | 15 |
| 6 | 101830Z | 18.7 | N | 128.5 | W | VW-1 | 15nm | 700mb | 40KTS | - | - | 23/22 | C | 20 |

* CLOSED WALL CLOUD AT 061829Z

WALL CLOUD 12 MILES THICK AT 071825Z

WALL CLOUD 10 MILES THICK AT 091745Z

Fleet Weather Central, Pearl Harbor issued warnings on three tropical cyclones in 1970. Only one of these systems, Hurricane Dot, originated in the Central Pacific. Tropical Storm Maggie developed in the Fleet Weather Central, Alameda area of responsibility. Tropical Depression One Two, previously Hurricane Lorraine in the Eastern Pacific, existed only as a tropical depression in the Central Pacific.

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| Total Number of Warnings | 27 |
| Calendar Days of Warnings | 8 |
| Tropical Depressions | 1 |
| Tropical Storms | 1 |
| Hurricanes | 1 |
| Total Tropical Cyclones | 3 |

No damage resulting from tropical cyclone activity was reported during 1970. In its formative stages Hurricane Dot passed near Midway Island causing increased precipitation and winds. Tropical Storm Maggie passed south of the Island of Hawaii where above normal cloudiness and precipitation were reported. Post analysis of data indicated that Hurricane Dot was possibly a regeneration of Tropical Storm Maggie. The distance between the position in the final warning on Maggie and the first warning on Dot was 1550 miles. The elapsed time indicates an average speed of 9 knots during this period. The connection was supported mainly by satellite pictures.

All warnings were coordinated with the Central Pacific Hurricane Center, Honolulu in accordance with the National Hurricane Operations Plan. The main forecasting tool used by Fleet Weather Central, Pearl Harbor was TYRACK, a computerized forecasting system based on tropical wind fields.

TROPICAL CYCLONES FOR THE 1970 SEASON

| <u>CYCLONE</u> | <u>PERIOD</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| TROPICAL STORM MAGGIE | 23 AUG - 27 AUG 1970 |
| TROPICAL DEPRESSION ONE TWO | 26 AUG - 27 AUG 1970 |
| HURRICANE DOT | 2 SEP - 4 SEP 1970 |

TROPICAL STORMS 1970
POSITION DATA

TROPICAL STORM MAGGIE
23 AUG - 27 AUG

| <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> |
|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 230000Z | 14.8N | 139.0W | 250600Z | 17.7N | 151.4W |
| 230600Z | 15.0N | 139.9W | 251200Z | 18.1N | 152.9W |
| 231200Z | 15.1N | 140.7W | 251800Z | 17.3N | 154.0W |
| 231800Z | 15.3N | 142.0W | 260000Z | 17.5N | 155.5W |
| 240000Z | 15.5N | 143.0W | 260600Z | 17.5N | 156.6W |
| 240600Z | 15.8N | 144.7W | 261200Z | 17.5N | 157.7W |
| 241200Z | 15.9N | 145.8W | 261800Z | 17.2N | 157.0W |
| 241800Z | 17.0N | 149.0W | 270000Z | 17.2N | 157.8W |
| 250000Z | 17.4N | 150.1W | | | |

TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS 1970
POSITION DATA

TROPICAL DEPRESSION ONE TWO
26 AUG - 27 AUG

| <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>DTG</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> |
|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 270000Z | 20.0N | 141.0W | 271200Z | 20.0N | 143.0W |
| 270600Z | 20.0N | 142.0W | 271800Z | 20.0N | 144.0W |

HURRICANE DOT

021800Z SEP TO 040600Z SEPTEMBER 1970

I. DATA

A. STATISTICS

1. NUMBER OF WARNINGS ISSUED - 8
2. NUMBER OF WARNINGS WITH HURRICANE INTENSITY - 2
3. TOTAL DISTANCE TRAVELED DURING WARNING PERIOD - 665 MI.

B. CHARACTERISTICS

1. MINIMUM OBSERVED SLP - 993 MB.
2. MINIMUM OBSERVED 700 MB HEIGHT - 3015M.
3. MAXIMUM SURFACE WIND - 70 KTS.
4. MAXIMUM RADIUS OF SURFACE CIRCULATION - 200 MI.

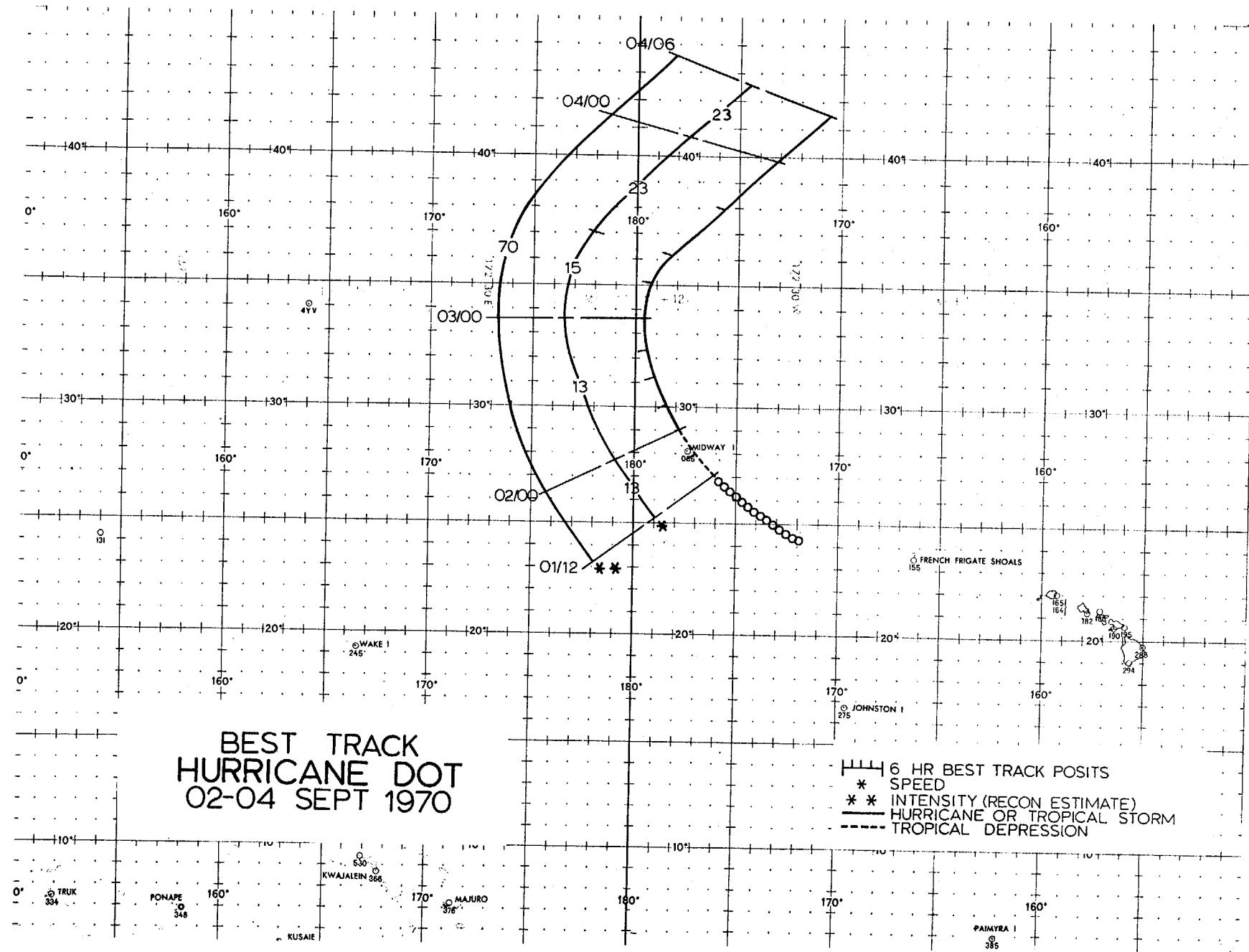
II. DEVELOPMENT

- A. INITIAL IMPETUS - INDUCED FROM UPPER LEVEL LOW
- B. INITIAL SURFACE VORTEX - 012130Z ESSA VIII
- C. TIME STORM REACHED HURRICANE INTENSITY - 030710Z

III. FINAL DISPOSITION

- A. BECAME EXTRATROPICAL

AN-29



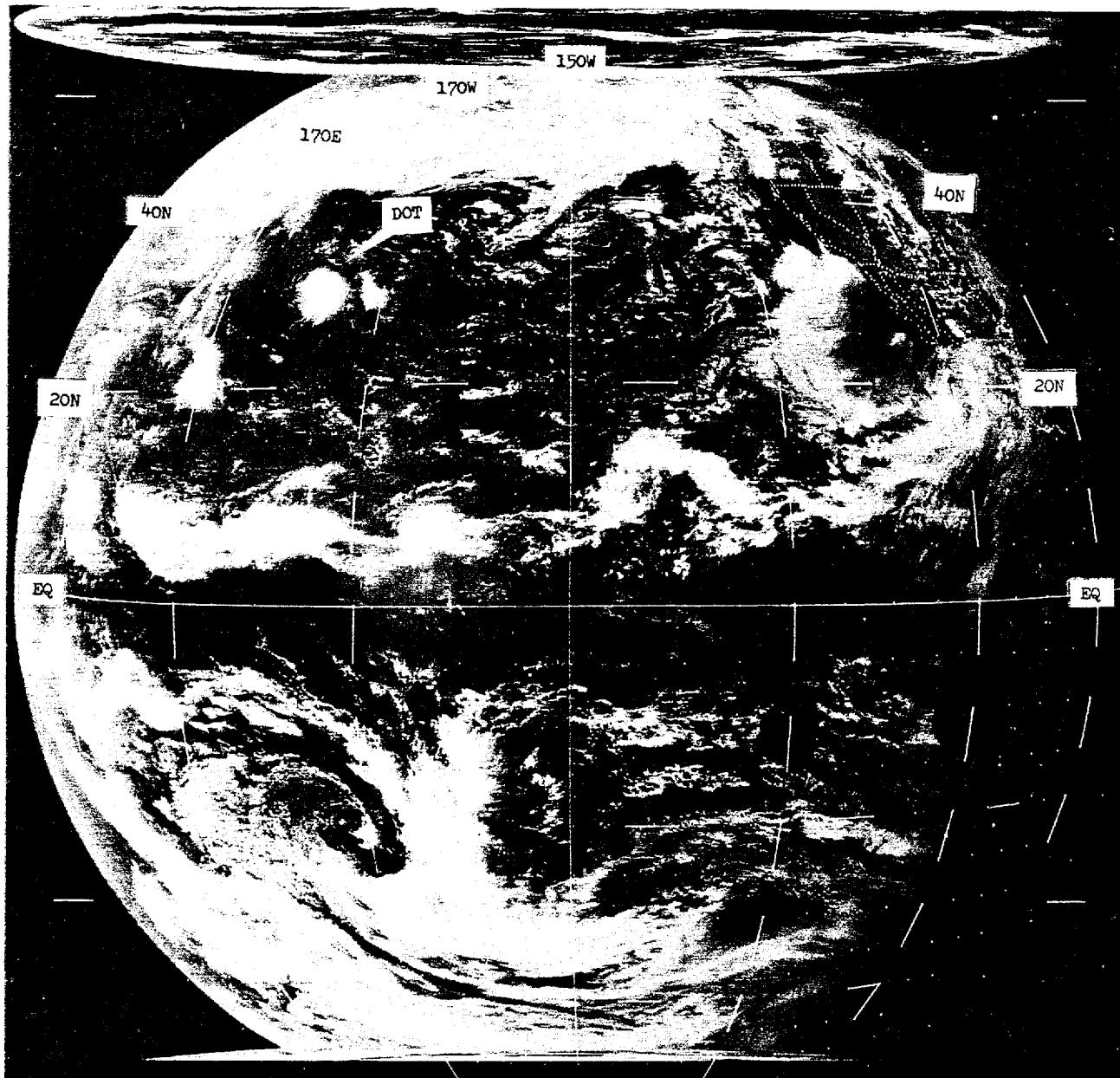


FIGURE AN-1

VIEW OF PACIFIC FROM GEOSTATIONARY SATELLITE ATS-1
DEPICTING TROPICAL STORM DOT
NORTH OF MIDWAY ISLAND

HURRICANE DOT

POSITION FROM BEST TRACK AND VERIFICATION DATA

| | STORM POSIT | 24 HR ERROR | 48 HR ERROR | 72 HR ERROR |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <u>TIME</u> | <u>LAT</u> | <u>LONG</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> | <u>DEG/DIST</u> |
| 021800Z | 33.3N | 179.7W | - | - |
| 022300Z | 33.4N | 179.4W | - | - |
| 030600Z | 35.5N | 179.0W | - | - |
| 031200Z | 36.6N | 177.6W | - | - |
| 031800Z | 38.1N | 175.5W | 250/250 | - |
| 040000Z | 39.8N | 173.0W | 230/400 | - |
| 040600Z | 41.4N | 170.5W | 250/240 | - |

24 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = 297 MI

48 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = NOT APPLICABLE

72 HOUR FORECAST ERROR = NOT APPLICABLE

EYE FIXES HURRICANE DOT

| <u>FIX NO.</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>POSIT</u> | | <u>UNIT- METHOD -ACCY</u> | <u>FLT</u> | <u>LVL</u> | <u>OBS SFC</u> | <u>OBS MIN</u> | <u>MIN 700MB</u> | <u>FLT LVL</u> | <u>TT/TO</u> | <u>EYE FORM</u> | <u>EYE DIA</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|--------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 020244Z | 29.5N | 178.0W | SLTLS STG C+ | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 021835Z | 33.4N | 179.8W | VW-RDR-X-10 | --- | 065 | --- | --- | --- | --- | ELIP | 14X24 | |
| 3 | 022300Z | 33.4N | 179.4W | AF-X-X-X | --- | 040 | 999 | 3033 | 11/09 | CIR | 25 | | |
| 4 | 030146Z | 33.0N | 179.5W | SLTLS STG C+ | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 030700Z | 35.3N | 179.0W | AF-P--08 | 700MB | 051 | 070 | 993 | 3015 | 12/10 | CIR | 20 | |
| 6 | 031335Z | 36.7N | 177.6W | VW-P--05 | 700MB | 067 | --- | --- | --- | 14/09 | CIR | 25 | |
| 7 | 040242Z | 39.0N | 173.0W | SLTLS STG C+ | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | 040600Z | 41.4N | 170.5W | AF-X-X-X | | | | | | (RECD VIA PHONE) | | | |

APPENDIX
ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

The following abbreviations and definitions apply for the purposes of this report.

1. ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| AJTWC | Alternate Joint Typhoon Warning Center (Asian Weather Central, Fuchu, Japan) |
| APT | Automatic Picture Transmission |
| ATS | Applications Technology Satellite |
| CINCPAC | Commander in Chief, Pacific |
| CINCPACAF | Commander in Chief, Pacific Air Force |
| CINCPACFLT | Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet |
| DRIR | Direct Readout Infrared Radiometer |
| MPT | Mid-Pacific Trough |
| NEDN | Naval Environmental Data Network |
| NESS | National Environmental Satellite Service (Suitland, Maryland) |
| NWRF (NAVWEARSCHFAC) | Navy Weather Research Facility (Norfolk, Virginia) |
| NWS/NOAA | National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration |
| PACOM | Pacific Command |
| SLP (MSLP) | Sea Level Pressure (Minimum Sea Level Pressure) |
| TCRC | Tropical Cyclone Reconnaissance Coordinator |

2. DEFINITIONS

CYCLONE - An atmospheric closed circulation, rotating counterclockwise in the Northern Hemisphere.

TROPICAL CYCLONE - A non-frontal cyclone of synoptic scale, developing over tropical or sub-tropical waters and having a definite organized circulation and warm core.

TROPICAL DEPRESSION - A tropical cyclone in which the maximum sustained surface wind is 33 knots or less.

TROPICAL STORM - A tropical cyclone with maximum sustained surface winds in the range 34 to 63 knots inclusive.

TYPHOON/HURRICANE - A tropical cyclone with maximum sustained surface wind speeds 64 knots or greater. West of 180 degrees longitude the name TYPHOON is used and east of 180 degrees longitude the name HURRICANE is used. All descriptive references to typhoons apply equally to hurricanes.

SUPER TYPHOON - A typhoon with maximum sustained winds greater than or equal to 130 knots.

TROPICAL DISTURBANCE - A discrete system of apparently organized convection, generally 100 to 300 miles in diameter originating in the tropics or sub-tropics, having a non-frontal migratory character and having maintained its identity for 24 hours or more. It may or may not be associated with a detectable perturbation on the wind field. As such, it is the basic generic designation which, in successive stages of intensification, may be subsequently classified as a tropical depression, tropical storm or typhoon.

TROPICAL WAVE - A trough of cyclonic curvature maximum in the trade wind easterlies. The wave may reach maximum amplitude in the lower middle troposphere, or may be the reflection of an upper troposphere cold low or equatorward extension of the middle latitude trough.

EYE CENTER - "EYE" refers to the roughly circular central area of a well-developed tropical cyclone usually characterized by comparatively light winds and fair weather. If more than half surrounded by wall cloud, the word EYE is used; otherwise, the area is referred to as a CENTER.

WALL CLOUD - A densely organized, roughly circular structure of cumuliform clouds completely or partially surrounding the eye or center of a tropical cyclone.

MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WIND - Highest surface wind speed of a cyclone averaged over a one minute period of time.

EXTRATROPICAL - A term used in warnings and tropical summaries to indicate that a cyclone has lost its "tropical characteristics". The term implies both poleward displacement from the tropics and the conversion of the cyclone's dominant energy source from latent heat of condensation release to baroclinic processes.

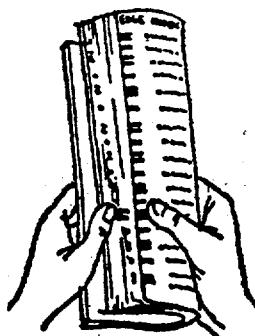
TROPICAL CYCLONE RECONNAISSANCE COORDINATOR - A CINCPACAF representative designated to levy tropical cyclone weather reconnaissance requirements on CINCPACFLT and CINCPACAF reconnaissance units within a designated area of PACOM and to function as a coordinator between CINCPACAF, weather reconnaissance units, and JTWC.

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