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JOINT USAF/NOAA PRIMARY REPORT OF SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL ACTIVITY

ISSUED 2200Z 16 AUGUST 1980

IA. SOLAR ACTIVITY REMAINED LOW TODAY. SEVERAL SUBFLARES OCCURRED, PRIMARILY IN REGIONS 2618 (S26W03), 2620 (N11E01), AND 2629 (N17E53). THE LARGEST EVENT OF THE DAY WAS A C5.6 X-RAY FLARE AT 1926 UT WITH NO OPTICAL REPORT. REGION 2629 GREW VERY RAPIDLY AND HAS EMERGED AS OUR MOST ERUPTIVE REGION. REGION 2621 (S25E06) ALSO GREW VERY RAPIDLY AND BECAME INCREASINGLY COMPLEX MAGNETICALLY AND IN WHITE LIGHT. ONE NEW REGION WAS OBSERVED TODAY, 2631 (N06E01).

IB. SOLAR ACTIVITY IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN LOW FOR ONE MORE DAY, BECOMING MODERATE ON 18 AND 19 AUGUST DUE PRIMARILY TO GROWTH IN REGION 2629.

II. THE GEOMAGNETIC FIELD WAS UNSETTLED FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE UT DAY, REACHING MINOR STORM LEVEL FOLLOWING A SUDDEN COMMENCEMENT OF 50 GAMMAS AT 1240 UT. THE MOST PROBABLE CAUSE WAS AN ERUPTIVE FILAMENT ON 12 AUGUST. THE FIELD IS EXPECTED TO STAY ACTIVE UNTIL LATE 16 AUGUST, BECOMING UNSETTLED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FORECAST PERIOD.

III. EVENT PROBABILITIES 17 AUGUST - 19 AUGUST

CLASS M 40/50/50

CLASS X 01/01/05

PREDICTION 01/01/01

PCAF GREEN

IV. OTTAWA 10.7 CM FLUX

OBSERVED 16 AUGUST 191

PREDICTED 17-19 AUGUST 190/188/185

90-DAY MEAN 16 AUGUST 194

V. GEOMAGNETIC INDICES

OBSERVED FREDERICKSBURG 15 AUGUST 05

ESTIMATED AFR/AP 16 AUGUST 25/28

PREDICTED AFR/AP 17-19 AUGUST 09/15 - 08/12 - 07/08

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