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Hurricane Jose heads toward Caribba

POINTE-A-PITRE, Guadeloupe (AP) — Hurricane Jose yesterday veered onto a collision course with the line of islands strung along the Eastern Caribbean.

Residents of the French island of Martinique, where the storm is projected to pass overnight, began stockpiling water and food as Red Cross officials went on alert in Puerto Rico, where Jose could strike tomorrow.

"It's getting stronger, and it looks like it's going to go through a lot of islands," meteorologist Krissy Williams at the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami, said.

Forecasters said it was too early to say whether Jose might threaten the U.S. East

The 10th named storm of the season was about 115 miles east-southeast of the island of

Dominica yesterday evening. Its winds had strengthened to 75 mph, and

it was moving west-northwest at 13 mph. Hurricane-force winds extended 25 miles to the northeast of the center, with tropical storm force winds stretching another 115 miles

In Pointe-a-Pitre, capital of French Guadeloupe, residents lined up at supermarkets before 8 a.m. yesterday. Some stores ran out of bottled water and rice by midmorning.

The island has not been hit by a hurricane since Hugo 10 years ago.

Schools broadcast messages asking parents to pick up their children.

Homeowners boarded up windows and clambered onto roofs to remove satellite dishes.

'My parents lost their roof in Hugo because they didn't take the warning seriously," a young man buying nails in a hardware store, said. "I'm

going to prepare myself for all eventualities.' France posted hurricane alerts for Martinique, Guadeloupe, St. Martin and St. Barthelemy.

Warnings also were in effect for Dominica, Montserrat, Antigua, Barbuda, Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Eustatius, Saba, St. Maarten and Anguilla, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. and British Virgin Islands.

Barbados and St. Lucia were downgraded to tropical-storm warnings.

Carnival Cruise Lines said it was diverting one ship to the Cayman Islands and Jamaica to escape the storm.

American Airlines canceled flights to Antigua from its hub in San Juan, Puerto Rico, and warned of further cancellations today.

Tourists in the U.S. Virgin Islands were heading home, hotelier said.

Officials in British Montserrat, struggling to rebuild from a volcanic eruption, warned heavy rains could create mudslides on the ash-covered flanks of the Soufriere Hills volcano.

The Hurricane Center warned people in the Dominican Republic to watch Jose carefully. Williams said the storm should be there by Friday, possibly headed for the storm-battered



Source: AccuWeather

"We're hoping a cold front thm Florida will push it back out to them pretty early to tell," she said.

Last year, Hurricane George through a dozen northeast Caribb then ripped through the more popular Antilles, killing more than 500 peoing billions of dollars of damage.

Indonesia president withdrew as a presidential candidate

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesia's president withdrew as a presidential candidate today, hours after lawmakers rejected a speech in which he defended his 16 months in office. Indonesia's legislature was prepared to elect a new head of state later in the day.

'I announce my withdrawal from the presidential nomination, and I believe that many sons and daughters of Indonesia can do the job better than I have done," President B.J. Habibie told a news conference.

As he spoke, leaders of Habibie's Golkar Party met privately, and TVRI television reported they chose Akbar Tanjung, the party's chairman, as its new presidential candidate, and Gen. Wiranto, head of the military and the defense minister, as his run-

However, Marzuki Darusman, vice chair of the Golkar Party, told the Associated Press that it had not chosen another presidential candidate, was still meeting and may decide not to.

Habibie's withdrawal can only strengthen the presidential aspirations of his main rival, Megawati Sukarnoputri, as well as a third contender, Abdurrahman Wahid, the revered but ailing and nearly blind



AP/Wm. J. Castello leader of Indonesia's largest Muslim organization.

Early this morning, the legislature rejected in a close vote Habibie's re-cent "accountability" speech about the successes and failures of his administration.

Although that did not exclude him from the election, many people had expected that his party would have no choice but to seek a replacement candidate.

News In Brief

Lone highjacker captures plane

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) - A lone hijacker, armed with a knife, commandeered an EgyptAir plane with 54 people aboard yesterday shortly after takeoff from Istanbul's Ataturk airport.

The motive for the hijacking was not known, and there were conflicting reports about where the plane was heading.

The EgyptAir plane had been headed for Cairo.

NTV television said the man first demanded to be taken to Hamburg Germany, then ordered the plane diverted to London. The Anatolia news agency said

the crew was trying to persuade him to go to Hamburg, but did not elaborate. Hamburg's airport authorities

said they had not been informed the hijacked plane was planning to land there Turkish Transport Minister

Enis Oksuz said the plane was refused permission to land in Sofia, Bulgaria, and might be returning to Turkey. Security forces were being deployed at Turkish airports, he said.

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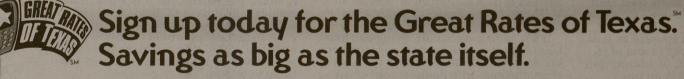
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