

## **Statement #6**

### **HURRICANE IRMA AND THE ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS**

**2:00 PM EDT, Sunday, Sept. 10, 2017**

#### ***Hurricane Warnings discontinued for the entire Bahamas***

**NASSAU, Bahamas – Sunday, September 10, 2017:** Hurricane warnings have been lifted for all of The Islands of The Bahamas, however, tropical storm warnings remain in effect for Grand Bahama and Bimini.

The all clear has been given for the remainder of The Islands of The Bahamas. This includes the islands of Abaco, Andros, The Berry Islands, New Providence, Eleuthera, Cat Island, the Exumas, Long Island, Rum Cay, Andros, San Salvador, Inagua, Mayaguna, Crooked Island, Acklins, Long Cay, Ragged Island, and Samana Cay.

Tropical storm winds are presently being experienced over Bimini and will spread into West End and Freeport, Grand Bahama and expect to continue through tonight. Extensive flooding can be expected as Irma could produce rainfall amounts of two to four inches over Bimini and Western Grand Bahama.

#### **AIRPORTS**

The Lynden Pindling International Airport in Nassau has reopened. However, there are no US and International flights operating today, Sunday, September 10 except for Copa Airlines to Panama and an incoming Delta Airlines flight from Atlanta. Limited domestic flights are operating today.

Travelers should contact their respective airlines for flight information.

The remaining airports will resume operations once the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) gives the “All Clear” for all islands and the airports have been assessed and cleared for opening.

#### **HOTELS**

Baha Mar Resort and Casino will resume full hotel, casino and retail operations and will welcome guests back on Tuesday, September 12.

#### **DAMAGE REPORT**

No reports of severe damage to the tourism product throughout the Islands of The Bahamas, at this time. However, a full assessment will be done once the all clear is given for all islands.

## **CRUISE**

The Port of Nassau reopened today, however no vessels are expected until Wednesday, September 13. All other ports remain closed. Cruise reservation holders should check directly with their cruise provider for updates on departures and itineraries.

The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism will be releasing updates on islands, hotels and services on [Bahamas.com/storms](https://bahamas.com/storms).