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INTRODUCTION

This report, prepared at the National Hurricane Center (NHC), is the first of an annual series to provide a source of summarized data on Atlantic tropical cyclones. It will not duplicate the narrative overview of the hurricane season and the description of individual storms, which will continue to be published in the Monthly Weather Review.

To a considerable extent, the information contained herein replaces that which appeared during the past years in the U.S. Navy's Annual Hurricane Summary, that series having been discontinued after the 1971 hurricane season. This summary also is similar in some respects to the Annual Typhoon Report prepared by the U.S. Navy Fleet Weather Central/Joint Typhoon Warning Center in Guam.

In addition to data supplied by the National Weather Service, materials have been furnished by the NOAA National Environmental Satellite Service (NESS), and the CARCAH (Chief, Aerial Reconnaissance Coordination, All Hurricanes) OBJECTIVE FORECAST TECHNIQUES.

The following tropical cyclone prediction models were used at the National Hurricane Center for forecasting motion on an operational basis:

1. NHC-67 (Miller, Hi , Chase, 1968). A stepwise screening regression model using predictors derived from the current and 24-hour old 1000-, 700-, and 500mb data, and includes persistence during the early forecast periods.

2. SANBAR (Sanders and Burpee, 1968). A filtered barotropic model using input data derived from the 1000- to 100 mb pressure weighted winds. The model requires the use of "bogus" data in data-void areas. The

- system was modified by Pike (1972) so that the initial wind near the storm would conform to the current storm motion.
3. HURRAN (Hope and Neumann, 1970). An analog system using as a data base the tracks of all Atlantic tropical storms and hurricanes dating back to 1886.
 4. CLIPER (Neumann, 1972). Stepwise multiple screening regression using predictors derived from climatology and persistence.
 5. NHC-72 (Neumann, Hope, Miller, 1972). A modified stepwise multiple screening regression system which combines the NHC-67 concept and the CLIPER system into a single model.
 6. NHC-73 (Neumann and Lawrence, 1973). Similar in concept to NHC-72 except it also uses the "perfect prog and MOS (model output statistics) methods to introduce NMC (National Meteorological Center) numerical prognostic data into the prediction equations.

The National Hurricane Center uses the above models as guidance in the formulation of its forecasts. The hurricane forecaster also makes extensive use of analyses and prognoses produced by NMC and RCTM (Regional Center for Tropical Meteorology) in Miami

VERIFICATION

Verification statistics for the 1974 season are shown in Table
average errors for official forecasts for the 5-year period 1970-1974 are
shown in Table 2. (Pelissier, 1974).

Table 1. Verification of 1974 tropical storm and hurricane forecasts.

Figures in parenthesis are number of cases

METHOD	INITIAL POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	FORECAST DISPLACEMENT ERRORS (N.MI.)			
		12 HR.	24 HR.	48 HR.	72 HR.
Official	18 (99)	46 (99)	90 (86)	199 (62)	346 (41)
NHC-67	19 (100)	49 (100)	104 (87)	217 (63)	330 (43)
NHC-72	19 (100)	46 (100)	89 (87)	138 (63)	372 (43)
NHC-73	17 (48)	49 (48)	102 (42)	161 (31)	226 (21)
HURRAN	20 (53)	64 (53)	142 (44)	297 (31)	357 (26)
SANBAR	17 (48)	54 (48)	100 (41)	185 (30)	339 (20)
CLIPER	19 (100)	52 (100)	104 (87)	193 (63)	298 (43)

Table 2. Five-year summary, 1970-1974, of verification of official forecasts. Figures in parenthesis are number of forecasts.

INITIAL POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	FORECAST DISPLACEMENT ERROR (N.MI.)		
	24 HR.	48 HR.	72 HR.
21 (513)	102 (435)	243 (297)	405 (207)

The initial position error in Tables 1 and 2 is the difference between the

operational initial position and that determined during post analysis (best track position). The forecast displacement error is the vector difference between the forecast displacement and the actual displacement computed from best-track positions.

Another verification statistic computed following the 1974 season was the landfall prediction error for the official forecasts. That error is defined as the distance from the predicted landfall point, made 24 hours prior to actual landfall, to the actual landfall point. In the few cases where the storm either crossed an island or made landfall when predicted to remain offshore, the error was designated as the distance from the landfall point to the nearest point on the forecast track. These data are shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Landfall errors of named tropical storms and hurricanes

<u>STORM</u>	<u>LANDFALL ERROR (N.MI.)</u>
Alma	40
Becky	no landfall
Carmen (Belize)	18
Carmen (Louisiana)	40
Dolly	no landfall
Elaine	no landfall
Fifi	0
Gertrude	25
Average	25

The mean landfall error for all storms during the period 1970-1974 computed as described above was 47 n.mi. (23 cases), while that for only those that struck the United States (9 cases) was 44 n.mi.

A summary of 1974 North Atlantic tropical cyclone statistics is shown in Table 4. Tracks of 1974 tropical cyclones are in Figure

The best track positions for 1974 named storms are in Table 5, along with forecast positions, initial position, and forecast errors.

Table 6 lists all center fix positions and intensity evaluations used operationally at the National Hurricane Center during 1974. Fixes are in chronological order, and include those obtained by aerial reconnaissance penetrations and radar, satellite (Miami SFSS), and land-based radar

Table 7 is an aerial reconnaissance summary for the 1974 season, and Table 8 summarizes tropical cyclone reconnaissance over a 10-year period

A number of vortex profiles constructed from data obtained by aerial reconnaissance are in Figure 2. These profiles show winds, temperatures, dew points, D-values, and weather in the four quadrants of the storms at specified distances from the center out to 80 n.mi. Figure 3 is a diagram of the paths flown in obtaining the vortex profiles.

Graphs of the lowest central pressure vs. time for 1974 tropical cyclones are in Figure 4.

Daily satellite photographs (SMS- or ATS-3) of 1974 named tropical cyclones are in Figure 5.

Main contributors were: Ms. Dorothy Mixon, who listed the center fixes in chronological order; Ms. Mary Watson, who did the graphics; Ms. Lilius Wilson, who typed the tables and manuscript; Dr. Joseph Pelissier, who computed the verification statistics; and Captain Michael Westman, U. S. Air Force (CARCAH), who plotted the vortex profiles

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Table 4. Summary of North Atlantic tropical cyclone statistics, 1974.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS (KT)</u>	<u>LOWEST PRESSURE (MB)</u>	<u>U.S. DAMAGE (\$ MILLIONS)</u>	<u>DEATHS</u>
1.	Alma	T	Aug. 12-15	55	1007		Trinidad - 2
2.	Becky	H	Aug. 26-Sept. 2	100	977		
3.	Carmen	H	Aug. 29-Sept. 10	130	928	150	U. S.
4.	Dolly	T	Sept. 2-5	45	1005		
5.	Elaine	T	Sept. 4-13	60	1001		
6.	Fifi	H	Sept. 14-22	95	971		*Honduras-3,000-10,000
7.	Gertrude	H	Sept. 28-Oct. 3	65	999		

*The Red Cross has confirmed 3,000 fatalities, other estimates range up to 10,000.

Figure Tracks of 974 tropical cyclones

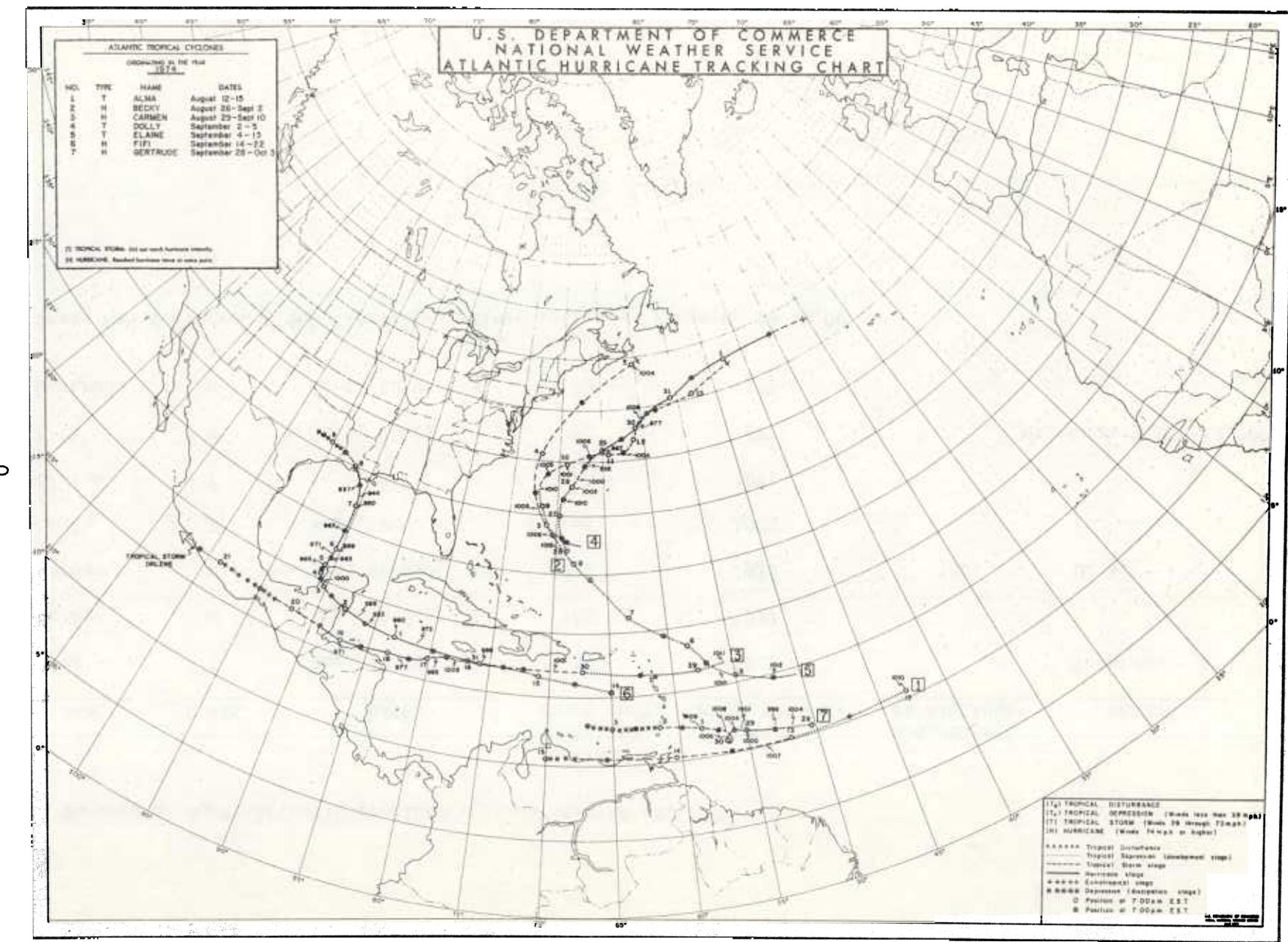


Table 5. Best track and forecast positions, initial position error, and forecast errors for 1974 tropical cyclones.

TROPICAL STORM ALMA 12-15 AUGUST 1974

DATE/TIME (GMT)	BEST TRACK		OPERATIONAL POSITION		POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	12 HOUR FORECAST			24 HOUR FORECAST			48 HOUR FORECAST			72 HOUR FORECAST		
	LAT.	LONG.	LAT.	LONG.		LAT.	LONG.	(N.MI.)									
1312	10.1	52.0	10.1	52.0	6	10.1	57.1	36	11.0	61.0	62	14.0	68.0		16.0	73.0	
1318	10.0	54.0	10.0	54.0	0	10.3	59.0	32	11.0	63.0	42	13.0	69.0		15.0	74.0	
1400	10.1	56.5	10.5	56.0	38	10.5	60.5	30	11.5	64.0	72	13.0	70.0		14.5	75.0	
1406	10.1	58.5	10.4	58.5	18	11.0	62.2	53	12.0	65.5		14.0	72.0		15.5	78.0	
1412	10.2	60.5	10.4	60.9	27	11.2	65.3	51	12.0	68.5		14.0	74.0		16.0	79.0	

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2812	32.7	68.5	32.6	68.6	8	34.5	67.0	16	37.0	64.0	85	42.5	57.0	334	48.0	48.0	583
2818	33.7	67.8	33.5	67.9	13	35.5	66.0	26	37.0	63.0	64	41.0	55.0	294	45.0	45.0	491
2900	34.5	67.2	34.8	66.9	23	36.0	65.0	23	38.0	62.0	48	42.0	53.0	304	47.0	43.0	501
2906	35.3	66.1	35.4	66.0	8	37.5	63.5	56	39.5	60.5	138	43.5	52.0	333	49.0	40.0	594
2912	36.0	65.0	36.0	65.3	15	38.0	62.5	67	40.0	59.0	161	44.0	50.0	357	47.0	38.0	501
2918	36.5	63.9	36.8	63.9	18	38.2	61.5	39	39.5	58.5	90	42.5	51.0	172	46.0	40.0	251
3000	37.0	62.8	37.2	62.5	19	38.2	60.0	33	39.5	57.0	88	42.0	49.0	152	45.0	39.0	121
3006	37.3	61.8	38.0	62.0	43	38.8	58.5	92	40.3	55.0	148	43.0	46.0	203	46.0	35.0	
3012	38.0	61.0	38.0	61.0	0	39.0	58.0	59	40.5	54.0	92	43.0	44.0	168	46.0	33.0	
3018	38.5	60.2	38.4	60.2	6	39.5	58.0	24	41.0	55.0	23	44.0	46.0	93	46.0	35.0	
3100	39.3	59.2	39.3	59.5	14	40.3	57.4	50	41.5	53.5	25	44.0	46.0	220	46.0	35.0	
3106	40.0	58.0	40.0	58.4	18	41.0	55.5	27	42.5	51.5	39	45.0	43.0		47.0	33.0	
3112	40.3	56.0	39.8	56.2	31	40.5	53.0	42	41.5	49.0	61	43.0	41.0		44.0	32.0	
3118	41.0	54.5	40.8	54.8	18	41.5	52.0	63	42.0	49.0	192	43.5	41.0		44.0	31.0	
0100	41.7	52.7	41.6	53.0	15	42.3	48.5	25	43.0	44.0	127	44.0	34.0		45.5	23.0	
0106	42.1	50.4	42.2	49.3	49	43.0	46.0	114	43.5	41.5		44.5	31.0		44.5	20.0	
0112	42.7	47.8	42.5	47.5	18	43.0	41.5	44	43.2	36.0		43.5	25.0		43.5	14.0	

table 5. (continued)

HURRICANE CARMEN 29 AUGUST - 10 SEPTEMBER 1974

DATE/TIME (GMT)	OPERATIONAL POSITION				POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	12 HOUR FORECAST			24 HOUR FORECAST			48 HOUR FORECAST			72 HOUR FORECAST		
	BEST TRACK LAT.	LONG.	LAT.	LONG.		LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)	ERROR									
3100	17.0	72.2	17.0	72.5	17	17.1	77.2	52	18.0	81.0	66	20.0	87.0	128	23.0	91.0	247
3106	17.0	74.2	17.0	74.7	29	17.3	79.0	35	18.3	82.5	56	20.0	87.0	98	23.0	91.0	227
3112	17.0	76.0	17.0	75.7	17	17.2	79.5	6	17.5	83.0	13	19.0	89.0	83	21.0	93.0	194
3118	17.2	77.9	17.1	77.8	8	17.2	81.6	17	17.5	85.5	53	18.5	90.0	75	20.0	94.0	209
0100	17.3	79.8	17.4	79.6	13	18.0	83.5	31	18.7	87.0	82	20.0	91.0	118	22.0	94.0	227
0106	17.5	81.5	17.4	81.8	18	17.6	85.5	29	18.3	88.2	63	20.0	92.3	139	22.0	95.0	249
0112	17.7	83.2	18.0	83.0	21	18.0	86.5	49	18.5	89.0	78	21.0	92.5	155	23.5	94.0	249
0118	17.8	84.7	17.9	84.9	13	17.8	87.8	62	18.5	90.0	62	20.0	93.0	135	21.0	97.0	326
0200	18.0	85.9	17.8	85.9	12	17.9	88.2	35	18.5	90.5	72	20.0	93.5	158	21.0	97.0	344
0206	18.4	86.8	18.3	86.3	29	18.9	88.5	17	19.5	90.3	65	21.5	93.0	176	24.0	96.0	361
0212	18.6	87.9	18.6	88.0	6	19.3	89.7	21	20.0	91.0	46	21.0	92.5	89	21.0	92.5	90
0218	18.8	88.8	18.8	88.9	6	19.5	90.6	47	20.0	92.0	85	20.0	92.0	59	20.0	92.0	112
0300	19.1	89.3	19.1	89.7	23	19.3	91.1	34	19.5	92.2	69	19.5	94.0	168	19.5	96.0	320
0306	19.3	89.7	19.1	90.4	41	19.8	91.5	23	20.0	92.5	57	20.5	94.5	163	21.0	96.5	304
0312	19.6	90.2	19.9	89.9	25	20.1	91.0	36	20.2	92.3	93	20.5	95.0	259	20.5	98.0	469
0318	19.9	90.4	20.0	90.4	6	20.0	92.0	69	20.0	93.3	134	20.0	96.0	312			
0400	20.0	90.7	20.2	90.8	13	19.7	91.8	62	19.2	92.7	140						
0406	20.1	90.8	20.5	91.3	37	20.0	91.5	54	20.0	92.5	100	20.5	94.5	239	21.0	96.5	438
0412	20.3	91.0	20.0	91.3	25	20.2	91.5	21	20.2	91.5	48	20.5	92.0	145	21.0	93.0	355
0418	20.5	91.0	20.1	91.5	37	20.5	91.0	23	20.5	91.0	38	23.0	91.0	19	26.0	90.0	97
0500	20.7	90.9	20.6	91.0	8	20.5	91.0	36	21.0	91.0	53	23.0	91.0	96	27.0	90.0	107
0506	20.9	20.9	20.9	90.9	0	21.5	91.0	17	22.0	91.0	37	23.5	91.0	137	28.0	89.0	147
0512	21.2	90.8	21.2	90.8	0	22.5	90.5	36	23.5	90.2	38	27.5	89.0	81	31.0	85.0	372
0518	21.5	90.7	21.8	90.7	18	22.6	90.5	6	24.0	90.3	6	28.0	89.0	74	32.0	86.0	346
0600	21.9	90.5	22.0	90.6	8	23.0	90.4	6	24.5	90.0	25	28.5	88.5	128	33.0	85.0	
0606	22.4	90.5	22.4	90.5	0	23.6	90.5	8	25.0	90.0	45	29.0	88.0	175	33.0	84.0	
0612	22.9	90.4	22.8	90.5	8	24.3	90.3	13	26.0	89.8	53	30.0	87.0	270	33.5	83.0	
0618	23.7	90.4	23.7	90.4	0	25.3	90.1	26	27.2	89.6	56	30.5	87.0	290	34.0	82.5	
0700	24.6	90.3	24.7	90.3	6	26.0	90.0	56	27.4	89.2	119	30.3	87.3		34.6	83.2	
0706	25.7	90.3	25.7	90.3	0	27.6	90.3	13	30.0	90.3	63	34.0	87.0				
0712	26.8	90.3	26.8	90.4	5	29.1	90.4	36	32.0	89.5	184	34.0	86.0		36.0	78.0	
0718	27.8	90.4	27.7	90.6	12	29.6	90.6	50	31.7	90.3	150	36.0	87.0				
0800	28.7	90.8	28.5	90.9	13	29.5	91.0	65	31.0	91.0		33.5	89.0		38.0	81.0	
0806	29.4	91.3	29.1	91.2	19	30.5	92.5	18	31.0	93.5		33.5	92.5		35.5	91.0	

Table 5. (continued)

TROPICAL STORM DOLLY 2-5 SEPTEMBER 1974

DATE/TIME (GMT)	OPERATIONAL				POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	12 HOUR FORECAST			24 HOUR FORECAST			48 HOUR FORECAST			72 HOUR FORECAST		
	BEST TRACK LAT.	TRACK LONG.	POSITION LAT.	POSITION LONG.		LAT.	LONG.	ERROR (N.MI.)									
0412	35.5	72.1	35.5	72.3	10	41.5	70.5	133	45.0	62.0							
0418	37.8	70.6	37.8	71.0		43.0	66.0		46.0	59.0							

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0918	32.3	72.1	32.1	72.3	16	36.5	71.5	152	38.5	67.0	226	40.0	57.0	425	41.0	45.0	721
1000	33.8	71.3	33.8	71.4	5	37.0	69.0	133	39.0	65.0	233	40.0	52.0	573	41.0	40.0	845
1006	34.4	70.0	35.4	70.5	65	36.5	66.0	133	37.0	62.0	186	37.0	53.0	450	37.0	43.0	665
1012	34.8	69.3	34.5	70.0	39	35.2	67.5	8	36.0	64.0	76	37.0	60.0	93	38.0	53.0	137
1018	35.1	68.2	34.8	68.5	23	35.4	65.8	21	35.5	63.5	23	35.5	58.0	209	37.0	51.0	247
1100	35.4	66.7	35.6	66.8	13	36.0	64.0	34	36.2	61.0	89	36.5	54.0	287	36.5	47.0	
1106	35.4	65.3	35.5	64.5	40	35.5	62.0	41	35.5	59.5	95	35.5	53.5	275	35.5	46.0	
1112	35.5	64.5	35.5	64.0	24	35.5	61.0	60	35.5	58.0	159	35.5	54.0	307	35.5	48.0	
1118	35.6	63.6	35.5	63.5	8	35.5	61.0	57	35.5	59.0	192	35.5	54.0	391	35.5	49.0	
1200	35.7	62.7	35.6	62.0	35	35.7	60.0	76	35.7	57.5	228	36.0	53.0		36.0	48.0	
1206	36.3	61.9	35.5	61.0	65	35.7	58.5	136	36.0	56.0	186	36.0	51.0		41.0	43.0	
1212	37.0	61.2	37.4	61.2	24	38.0	59.5	132	38.5	57.5	249	43.0	47.0		44.0	40.0	
1218	38.7	60.1	38.8	60.0	8	40.5	57.5	86	42.0	54.0	173	44.0	41.0		45.0	29.0	
1300	39.6	58.3	39.6	58.5	9	41.0	56.0	126	42.0	52.0		43.0	38.0		44.0	26.0	
1306	39.8	55.9	40.0	56.5	30	41.0	53.0	101	42.0	49.0		44.0	31.0		46.0	31.0	

HURRICANE FIFI 14-22 SEPTEMBER 1974

1618	17.0	77.8	17.8	77.8	48	18.0	80.0	34	19.0	82.0	122	21.0	85.0	850	23.5	86.5	396
1700	17.0	78.7	17.4	78.8	25	17.7	80.6	45	18.4	82.5	110	20.0	86.0	204	23.0	88.0	362
1706	16.9	79.5	16.9	79.5	0	17.0	81.0	36	17.3	83.0	69	18.5	85.5	157	21.0	87.0	321
1712	16.6	80.2	16.9	80.3	19	16.8	82.0	17	16.8	84.0	26	16.8	87.5	25	16.5	90.5	101
1718	16.4	81.0	16.8	81.2	27	16.8	82.6	6	16.8	84.2	41	16.7	87.5	52	16.5	91.0	
1800	16.3	81.7	16.1	81.7	12	15.8	83.1	29	15.8	85.0	42	15.8	88.0	81	15.8	91.0	
1806	16.3	82.4	16.4	82.4	6	16.2	83.8	53	16.2	85.0	92	16.1	88.0	152	16.0	91.5	
1812	16.3	83.5	16.3	83.1	23	16.3	86.0	41	16.3	88.0	53	17.0	92.0	24			
1818	16.3	84.7	16.4	84.8	8	16.3	87.0	18	16.3	89.0	41	16.0	92.5				
1900	16.2	85.7	16.4	85.7	12	16.3	88.0	29	16.3	90.0	58	17.0	93.0				
1906	16.1	86.6	16.2	86.7	8	16.0	88.7	33	15.8	91.0	70						
1912	16.1	87.5	16.1	87.5	0	16.1	89.0	38	16.0	90.5	102						
1918	16.3	88.2	16.3	88.2	0	16.5	89.6	55	16.5	91.0							
2000	16.7	89.2	16.7	89.2	0	17.2	91.3	44									

Table 5. (continued)

HURRICANE GERTRUDE 28 SEPTEMBER-3 OCTOBER 1974

DATE/TIME (GMT)	OPERATIONAL POSITION				12 HOUR FORECAST			24 HOUR FORECAST			48 HOUR FORECAST			48 HOUR FORECAST			
	BEST TRACK LAT.	LONG.	LAT.	LONG.	POSITION ERROR (N.MI.)	LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)	LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)	LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)	LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)	LAT.	LONG. (N.MI.)		
2818	10.8	51.8	10.7	52.5	42	11.0	54.7	6	11.4	57.6	88	12.5	63.5	376	13.5	68.5	527
2900	11.0	53.0	11.0	53.4	24	11.2	56.0	37	11.5	59.0	153	12.5	64.0	383	13.5	69.5	548
2906	11.2	54.0	11.4	54.4	26	12.0	56.6	50	12.5	59.0	142	14.0	64.0	361	15.0	69.0	492
2912	11.4	55.0	11.5	55.5	30	11.5	57.0	35	11.7	59.0	117	12.5	63.5	276	13.0	68.0	
2918	11.5	55.4	11.4	55.5	8	11.6	56.5	24	11.8	58.0	86	13.0	62.0	184	16.0	66.0	
3000	11.7	56.0	11.5	55.8	17	11.9	57.5	92	12.0	59.0	125	13.0	63.0	205	15.0	67.0	
3006	11.3	56.4	12.0	55.0	92	11.8	56.6	91	12.0	57.0	59	13.0	59.0	13	15.0	62.0	
3012	11.0	56.6	11.3	56.6	18	11.8	56.9	27	12.0	57.5	53	12.5	59.0		13.5	62.0	
3018	11.5	56.5	11.3	56.6	13	11.5	56.5	79	11.7	58.0	61	12.5	60.0		13.0	62.0	
0100	11.9	57.1	11.8	57.0	8	12.2	57.7	32	12.5	59.0	43	13.0	62.0		14.0	65.0	
0106	12.0	57.7	12.0	57.8	6	12.2	58.7	18	12.6	60.0	36	13.5	62.5		15.0	66.0	
0112	12.1	58.3	12.0	58.2	8	12.5	59.5	17	13.0	61.0		14.0	64.0		16.0	67.0	
0118	12.2	58.9	12.2	58.7	12	12.6	60.0	19	13.5	62.0		14.5	65.0		17.0	68.0	

Table 6. Center fix positions and intensity evaluations for 1974 tropical cyclones.

TROPICAL STORM ALMA, 12-15 AUGUST 1974															
CENTER FIXES															
FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(KT)			MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MLN. 700MB HT(M)	TEMP(°C)	EYE		REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	ACFT SFC	ALT				C=CIRC IN.	E=ELLIP. OUT.	DIA. N.MI.
1	13	1200	9.8	51.4	SMSI	2,5,VSBL 4			30						
2	13	1606	10.2	53.8	NAVY RADAR	5 / -	55	55	180M	1007		25	22	C	32
3	13	1711	10.0	54.0	NAVY	2,5,VSBL 4			35						
4	13	1800	10.0	54.4	SMSI					45	305M				
5	14	0003	10.2	56.5	NAVY					45	700MB				
6	14	0026	10.2	56.6	NAVY	15 / 2				45					
7	14	0030	10.2	56.2	SMSI	1,4,IR 8				35					
8	14	0700	10.5	58.8	SMSI	2,3,IR 8				35					
9	14	0800	10.3	59.3	BARBADOS RADAR										
10	14	1100	10.4	61.0	BARBADOS RADAR										
11	14	1228	9.8	60.7	AF										
12	14	1230	10.3	61.3	SMSI	1,3,VSBL 4			40						
13	14	1330	10.3	61.1	TOBAGO RADAR										
14	14	1630	10.5	62.6	AF	10 / 10	70	55	700MB			8	7		
15	14	1830	10.3	63.7	SMSI	1,3,VSBL 4			35						
16	15	0700	10.4	68.1	SMSI	1,5,IR 8			35						

Key to Fix Characteristic

SATELLITE:
Classification confidence *, location and confidence **, visible or infrared, resolution (Km)

- * 1 = completely certain as to current intensity number used.
- 2 = temped to vary up or down by \pm T or S number.
- 3 = might vary up or down by 1 T or S number, or more.

- ** 1 = well defined eye with certain picture registration.
- 2 = well defined eye with uncertain picture registration.
- 3 = well defined circulation center with certain picture registration.
- 4 = well defined circulation center with uncertain picture registration.
- 5 = poorly defined circulation center with certain picture registration.
- 6 = poorly defined circulation center with uncertain picture registration.

RECONNAISSANCE:
Navigational Accuracy/Meteorological Accuracy.

Table 6. (continued)

HURRICANE BECKY, 26 AUGUST - 2 SEPTEMBER 1974

CENTER FIXES

FIX	DATE	TIME GMT	LAT. °N	LON. °W	POSITION UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)		ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. 700MB HT (M)	TEMP (°C)	EYE		REMARKS
							FLT LVL	SFC					C=CIRC. E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	
1	26	1600	27.6	69.4	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25						
2	27	0030	28.0	68.2	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			25						
3	27	0600	28.7	69.3	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			25						
4	27	1200	28.8	69.8	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25						
5	27	1800	29.8	70.1	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			30						
6	27	2230	30.3	69.6	AF				40	351M	1011				
7	28	0017	30.7	69.5	AF				40	375M	1010				
8	28	0030	31.3	69.3	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			40				C	15	EYE IRREGULAR AND VERY POOR
9	28	0600	31.9	69.1	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			40		1003		C	15	
10	28	1015	32.3	68.8	AF				60	354M					
11	28	1200	32.0	68.7	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4									
12	28	1210	32.5	68.6	AF	RADAR			40	475M			C		EYE CLOSED, HEAVY LIGHTNING
13	28	1305	32.7	68.5	AF					3048M					
14	28	1445	32.9	68.3	AF		2 / 5		70	3060M	1000		12	8	
15	28	1500	33.2	68.1	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 8									
16	28	1800	33.7	67.6	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4			50						
17	28	2045	34.0	67.4	NAVY RADAR					180M					
18	28	2145	34.3	67.5	NAVY		5 / 2		90	180M	992				
19	28	2341	34.2	67.1	NAVY		2 / 10		100	700MB		3017			
20	29	0030	34.3	67.4	SMS1	2,4, IR 8				60			E	15/12	CLOSED WALL
21	29	0600	35.2	65.7	SMS1	2,3, IR 8				72					
22	29	1129	36.0	65.2	AF		5 / 2		52	85	700MB	987			
23	29	1230	35.9	65.0	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4			60						
24	29	1234	36.0	65.0	AF										
25	29	1408	36.2	64.6	AF		5 / 2		40	55	700MB	979			
26	29	1523	36.3	64.5	AF				85	700MB		2890	12	10	15
27	29	1800	36.2	63.8	SMS1	2,1,VSBL 4				72					
28	30	0000	36.8	62.5	SMS1	2,2, IR 8				85					
29	30	0600	37.1	61.4	SMS1	1,4, IR 8				72					
30	30	1230	37.7	60.9	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4				85					
31	30	1643	38.3	60.6	NAVY		3 / 1		100	700MB					
32	30	1729	38.7	60.7	NAVY		5 / 5		120		977		23	C	15
33	30	1830	38.3	60.2	SMS1	2,1,VSBL 4				85					
34	31	0100	39.4	59.4	SMS1	2,3, IR 8				85					
35	31	0630	39.4	57.8	SMS1	2,3, IR 8				85					
36	31	1200	39.5	56.3	SMS1	1,2,VSBL 4				110					
37	31	1800	40.8	54.8	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4				97					
38	01	0100	42.1	52.5	SMS1	2,4, IR 8				85					
39	01	0630	41.9	50.1	SMS1	2,6, IR 8			85						

Table 6. (continued)

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(kt)			ACFT	PRESS. (mb)	MIN. HT(m)	MIN. IN.	TEMP(°C)	EYE	C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	SFC ALT										
40	01	1200	42.1	47.3	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4	85											
41	01	1800	43.1	44.2	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4	72											
42	02	0030	43.1	40.6	SMS1	2,6 IR 8	60											
43	02	0600	42.7	35.7	SMS1	2,6 IR 8	40											
44	02	1200	43.0	36.0	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4	35											
45	02	1800	43.1	33.6	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4	35											

Table 6. (continued)

HURRICANE CARMEN, 29 AUGUST - 10 SEPTEMBER 1974

CENTER FIXES

FIX NO.	TIME DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(kt)			ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (mb)	MIN. 700MB HT(m)	TEMP(°C)	EYE C=CIRC. E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	
			LAT. N	LONG. W			FLT LVL	SFC								
1	25	1830	13.1	27.8	SMS1	1,6,VSBL 2			25							
2	26	0100	13.1	28.5	SMS1	1,6, IR 8			25							
3	26	0700	13.4	29.9	SMS1	1,6, IR 8			25							
4	26	1200	14.0	31.0	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4			25							
5	26	1830	15.2	34.0	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25							
6	27	0030	14.8	35.2	SMS1	1,5, IR 8			25							
7	27	0600	15.1	37.0	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			25							
8	27	1200	16.6	40.1	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4			25							
9	27	1800	16.6	42.9	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4			25							
10	28	0030	16.8	45.4	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			25							
11	28	0600	17.1	47.3	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			25							
12	28	1200	17.0	49.8	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25							
13	28	1800	17.2	53.0	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25							
14	29	0030	17.1	54.8	SMS1	2,6, IR 8			30							
15	29	0600	17.0	56.1	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			30							
16	29	1100	16.7	58.1	SMS1	1,5,VSBL 4			30							
17	29	1452	15.9	58.2	NAVY	5 / 10										
18	29	1800	17.0	60.3	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			30							
19	30	0100	16.7	64.0	SMS1	2,4, IR 8			35							
20	30	0600	17.0	65.9	SMS1	1,3, IR 8			40							
21	30	1200	17.4	67.9	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4			40							
22	30	1255	17.1	68.2	DMSP											
23	30	1644	17.2	69.3	DMSP											
24	30	2116	16.6	72.1	NAVY	10 / 10			35	45	180M	1001		26	23	
25	31	0100	16.9	72.8	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			40					C	27	
26	31	0127	16.4	73.0	DMSP											
27	31	0516	17.1	73.5	DMSP											
28	31	0630	16.8	74.5	SMS1	2,5, IR 8			40							
29	31	1145	17.0	75.6	AF											
30	31	1230	17.2	76.2	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4			50		700MB		3008			
31	31	1350	17.0	76.4	AF	5 / 3			75	65	700MB	988	2975	14	10	
32	31	1418	17.0	76.5	DMSP									C	20	
33	31	1530	17.1	77.0	AF				70		700MB	990	2999			
34	31	1626	16.9	77.3	DMSP											
35	31	1830	17.3	78.0	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4			72							
36	31	2241	17.5	79.2	NAVY RADAR											
37	31	2339	17.5	79.6	NAVY	2 / 4			58	50	700MB	986	2961	17	13	
38	01	0100	17.6	80.1	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			72					C	18	

Table 6. (continued)

CARMEN CONTINUED

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)			ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. 700MB HT (M)	TEMP (°C)		EYE C=CIRC	E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	SFC	IN.				OUT.					
39	01	0125	17.3	79.9	NAVY	5 / 5	70		700MB	987	2969	16	9	E	14/12			
40	01	0255	17.0	80.4	DMSP				700MB	976	2896							WELL DEFINED EYE WALL
41	01	0540	17.7	81.7	AF				700MB	972	2853	14	7	C	10			
42	01	0625	17.3	81.5	AF	2 / 5	98		72									
43	01	0630	17.0	81.5	SMS1	2,2, IR 4												
44	01	0808	17.5	82.0	AF													
45	01	0922	17.5	82.4	AF	5 / 1	95		700MB	965	2786							
46	01	1114	17.9	82.8	AF		85	80	700MB	953	2701							
47	01	1219	18.0	83.0	AF				700MB	960	2746							
48	01	1230	17.8	83.4	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4		85										
49	01	1347	17.8	84.0	ATS-3		VSBL 8		97									
50	01	1401	17.6	83.8	DMSP													
51	01	1749	18.0	84.7	DMSP													
52	01	1830	17.8	85.0	ATS-3	1,1,VSBL 8		110										
53	01	1950	17.8	85.1	NAVY	2 / 4	105	115	700MB			14	10	C	8	DOUBLE EYE		
54	01	2043	17.8	85.2	NAVY	2 / 3	115	120	700MB	938	2545	15	10	C	7	DOUBLE EYE		
55	01	2349	17.9	85.8	NAVY	10 / 2	121	110	700MB	933	2515	14	10	C	5	DOUBLE EYE		
56	02	0030	17.8	86.4	SMS1	2,2, IR 8		110										
57	02	0237	17.7	86.1	DMSP													
58	02	0557	17.9	86.8	AF													
59	02	0630	17.6	87.2	SMS1	2,2, IR 8		110		700MB	929	2469						
60	02	0756	18.2	87.1	AF RADAR													
61	02	0930	18.5	87.6	AF RADAR													
62	02	1100	18.7	87.9	AF RADAR													
63	02	1230	18.7	88.6	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4		110										
64	02	1345	18.7	88.7	DMSP													
65	02	1805	18.7	89.1	ATS-3	2,3,VSBL 8		110										
66	02	1808	18.8	88.8	NAVY RADAR													
67	02	1857	18.7	89.0	NAVY RADAR													
68	02	1930	19.0	89.2	DMSP													
69	02	2055	18.7	89.0	NAVY RADAR													
70	02	2304	19.2	89.2	NAVY													
71	03	0030	19.1	90.0	SMS1	2,5, IR 8		97										
72	03	0213	19.0	89.6	DMSP													
73	03	0601	19.8	90.2	DMSP													
74	03	0630	19.7	89.9	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		85										
75	03	1123	19.8	89.9	AF													
76	03	1230	20.0	89.9	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4		72										
77	03	1331	19.9	90.3	AF													
78	03	1439	19.9	90.3	AF	3 / 3												Poorly defined eye

Table 6. (continued)

CARMEN CONTINUED

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FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION LAT. °N LON. °W	UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)			ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. 700MB HT(M)	TEMP (°C)		EYE C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS	
						FLT LVL	SFC	IN. OUT.				IN.	OUT.				
79	03	1712	20.3	90.5	DMSP				72								
80	03	1757	19.9	90.5	ATS-3	1,3	VSBL	8		40	174M	1000					
81	03	1900	20.2	90.8	NAVY					58	50	170M	1000	3078	26	26	
82	03	2205	20.3	90.8	NAVY					58	50	152M	999				
83	03	2347	20.2	90.8	NAVY	7 / 2											
84	04	0030	20.1	91.1	SMS1	2,4,	IR	8		60							
85	04	0553	19.9	91.9	DMSP												
86	04	0630	20.8	91.0	SMS1	2,3,	IR	8		60							
87	04	0815	20.0	91.2	AF	1 / 5				45		418M	999				
88	04	1100	20.1	91.2	AF					45		3161M	993	3002	11	10	
89	04	1230	20.4	92.0	SMS1	1,3,VSBL	4				60						
90	04	1414	21.7	90.6	ATS-3	1,3,VSBL	8				72						
91	04	1447	20.4	91.1	DMSP												
92	04	1804	21.1	90.8	NAVY						305M					RADAR PRESENTATION POOR	
93	04	1826	21.0	91.7	ATS-3	2,3,VSBL	8				60						
94	04	1902	20.5	91.2	NAVY	1 / 10					48	305M	995			NEG WALL CLOUD	
95	04	2053	20.5	91.0	NAVY	4 / 8					45		995			NEG WALL CLOUD	
96	04	2303	20.6	91.0	NAVY	3 / 5						996				15	
97	05	0030	21.1	91.5	SMS1	2,3,	IR	8			60						
98	05	0327	20.6	91.0	DMSP												
99	05	0620	20.9	90.9	AF						40						
100	05	0630	21.2	91.0	SMS1	2,3,	IR	8			60	700MB		3002			
101	05	0706	20.9	90.9	AF						35		700MB				
102	05	0755	20.9	90.9	AF	10 / 2					45		700MB	988	3002		
103	05	0926	21.0	90.9	AF						42		700MB	2984			
104	05	1110	21.2	90.8	AF						32		3058M	985	2969		
105	05	1230	21.2	91.1	SMS1	2,4,VSBL	4									15	
106	05	1430	21.5	90.8	DSMP												
107	05	1816	21.3	91.0	DMSP												
108	05	1849	21.2	91.1	ATS-3	1,1,VSBL	8				72						
109	05	1852	21.5	90.8	NAVY	3 / 2					60		700MB	988	2981	14	11
110	05	2041	21.5	90.7	NAVY	3 / 1					105	153M	983		25	24	
111	05	2327	21.9	90.6	NAVY	3 / 1					.55		700MB	984	2957	16	11
112	06	0030	22.0	90.5	SMS1	2,4,	IR	8			72						
113	06	0031	22.0	90.6	NAVY	3 / 1						700MB	983	2950	16	12	
114	06	0305	22.6	90.6	DMSP												
115	06	0630	22.6	90.7	SMS1	2,4,	IR	8			72						
116	06	0700	22.4	90.5	AF							700MB	971	2838			
117	06	0813	22.6	90.5	AF	10 / 3					65		700MB	970	2835		10

Table 6. (continued)

CARMEN CONTINUED

Table 6. (continued)

CARMEN CONTINUED

Table 6. (continued)

CARMEN CONTINUED

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)			MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. 700MB HT (M)	TEMP (°C)		EYE	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	SFC	ACFT ALT			IN.	OUT.	C=CIRC E=ELLIP.		
195	08	0055	28.7	91.0	NAVY RADAR										20	GOOD
196	08	0102	28.6	90.8	LCH RADAR											GOOD
197	08	0105	28.7	91.0	GLS RADAR											GOOD
198	08	0107	28.7	90.9	SIL RADAR											GOOD
199	08	0115	28.7	91.0	AF				88							WIND SPEED FROM RIGHT FRONT 500MB
200	08	0127	28.6	91.0	LCH RADAR										13	GOOD
201	08	0134	28.7	90.9	BTR RADAR										FAIR - POORLY DEFINED	
202	08	0134	28.7	91.0	GLS RADAR										10	GOOD
203	08	0135	28.7	91.0	SIL RADAR											FAIR
204	08	0143	28.7	91.0	AF			99		700MB		2624				
205	08	0202	28.8	91.0	LCH RADAR										11	FAIR
206	08	0205	28.8	91.0	GLS RADAR											GOOD
207	08	0207	28.8	91.1	BTR RADAR											GOOD
208	08	0211	28.7	91.0	SIL RADAR											FAIR
209	08	0231	28.6	91.1	LCH RADAR										20	GOOD
210	08	0232	28.8	91.1	SIL RADAR											FAIR
211	08	0233	28.8	91.0	GLS RADAR										10	FAIR
212	08	0234	28.8	91.2	BTR RADAR											GOOD
213	08	0242	28.8	90.8	NAVY RADAR											HOLE IN SEA RECON
214	08	0254	28.8	91.0	AF					946		2653				
215	08	0305	28.9	91.1	SIL RADAR											GOOD
216	08	0306	28.7	91.2	LCH RADAR										20	GOOD
217	08	0310	28.9	91.2	BTR RADAR											FAIR
218	08	0310	28.9	91.1	GLS RADAR											GOOD
219	08	0330	28.9	91.2	LCH RADAR										14	GOOD
220	08	0330	29.0	91.1	SIL RADAR											GOOD
221	08	0335	28.9	91.1	GLS RADAR										10	GOOD
222	08	0358	28.9	91.2	AF			88		700MB		2676				
223	08	0400	28.8	91.2	LCH RADAR										18	GOOD
224	08	0400	28.9	91.2	BTR RADAR											POOR
225	08	0407	29.0	91.2	SIL RADAR											GOOD
226	08	0410	29.0	91.1	GLS RADAR											GOOD
227	08	0433	28.9	91.2	BTR RADAR											POOR
228	08	0434	28.9	91.2	LCH RADAR										18	GOOD
229	08	0434	29.0	91.1	GLS RADAR										10	FAIR
230	08	0435	28.9	91.3	SIL RADAR											FAIR
231	08	0454	29.0	91.4	AF			86		700MB		2679				
232	08	0503	29.0	91.3	LCH RADAR										14	GOOD

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TROPICAL STORM DOLLY 2 - 5 SEPTEMBER 1975

CENTER FIXES

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(kt)			MIN. ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (mb)	700MB HT(m)	TEMP(°C)	EYE	C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	SFC									
1	30	1830	17.3	70.4	SMS1	1.5, VSBL 4			40								
2	01	1800	26.7	63.5	SMS1	2.5, VSBL 4			25								
3	03	0000	28.0	69.5	SMS1	2.5, IR 8			25								
4	03	0600	27.3	71.1	SMS1	2.6, IR 8			25								
5	03	1230	29.5	70.9	SMS1	2.5, VSBL 4			25								
6	03	1724	29.9	72.0	NAVY	5 / 5			40	180M							Poorly defined eye
7	03	1800	30.6	71.8	SMS1	1.5, IR 4			30								
8	03	1911	30.7	72.3	NAVY	5 / 5			45								
9	04	0030	32.9	71.6	SMS1	2.5, IR 8			30	180M							
10	04	0600	33.6	72.5	SMS1	2.5, IR 8			30								
11	04	1200	35.5	72.2	SMS1	2.5, VSBL 4			30								
12	04	1539	36.8	71.5	AF		60	40	427M		3112	11	10				
13	04	1830	38.5	70.5	SMS1	2.3, VSBL 2			40								
14	05	0000	41.0	67.5	SMS1	2.5, IR 8			40								
15	05	0026	41.0	67.2	NAVY RADAR												
16	05	0600	43.6	64.7	SMS1	2.5, IR 8			40								

Table 6. (continued)

TROPICAL STORM ELAINE 4 - 13 SEPTEMBER 1975

CENTER FIX

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(KT)			ACFT	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. HT(M)	TEMP(°C)	EYE C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT	LVL	SFC							
1	04	2007	14.8	57.3	NAVY					20	150M	1012				
2	05	1830	15.5	56.6	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4				25						DISORGANIZED
3	05	1840	16.2	56.2	NAVY					30	150M	1010				Poorly defined
4	06	1200	18.7	58.6	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4				30						
5	06	1603	18.8	59.5	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 8				35						
6	06	1800	19.1	59.4	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4				35						
7	07	0030	19.3	60.0	SMS1	2,3, IR 8				25						
8	07	0630	19.7	61.0	SMS1	2,6, IR 8				25						
9	07	1200	21.5	64.0	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4				25						
10	07	1800	23.5	65.5	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4				25						
11	08	0030	25.0	66.5	SMS1	2,6, IR 8				25						
12	08	1514	25.9	69.0	AF	10 / 10	50		30	427M	1012		24	23		Poorly defined
13	08	1830	27.0	69.5	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			30							
14	08	1941	27.5	69.3	NAVY RADAR											
15	08	2033	27.5	69.8	NAVY	2 / 5			65		1008		27	25		Negative wall cloud
16	08	2140	27.7	70.0	NAVY				40		1008		27	26		
17	09	0030	28.0	69.7	SMS1	2,5, IR 8										
18	09	0630	29.4	70.3	SMS1	2,6, IR 8			25							
19	09	1230	31.5	71.4	SMS1	2,5,VSBL 4			25							
20	09	1654	31.8	72.2	NAVY	1 / 5	45		65	162M	1010		28	24		
21	09	1830	33.1	72.0	SMS1	1,5,VSBL 4			30							
22	09	1833	32.5	72.3	NAVY	2 / 15			45		1012		27	25		No feeder bands
23	09	2030	33.3	71.9	AF				65		1008					Small wind eye
24	09	2255	33.7	71.5	AF RADAR											
25	10	0000	33.8	71.4	AF	5 / 1	35				1005	3100M	12	10		Wall cloud well defined
26	10	0030	34.1	71.5	SMS1	2,4, IR 8			35							
27	10	0600	35.0	68.9	SMS1	2,3, IR 8			40							
28	10	0822	35.1	69.3	NAVY RADAR											
29	10	0937	34.4	70.4	NAVY	5 / 3	20						15	11	C	12
30	10	1022	34.4	70.3	NAVY	5 / 2			45		1001				C	12
31	10	1230	34.6	69.2	SMS1	2,4,VSBL 4			40							
32	10	1239	34.5	69.9	NAVY	5 / 2	55		55	153M	1001		26	26	C	12
33	10	1252	35.0	69.5	NAVY											Open SW, 45K ALL QUADS. 50-55K E OF CENTER
34	10	1800	35.1	68.5	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4			50							
35	10	2110	35.1	67.9	AF				45		1005					No wall cloud
36	10	2205	35.5	67.5	AF				40		1006	3121				
37	11	0004	35.6	66.8	AF	5 / 5			25	700MB		3115				
38	11	0030	35.5	66.7	SMS1	2,4, IR 8			50							

Table 6. (continued)

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FIX NO.	TIME DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(kt)			MIN. ACFT LVL	MIN. PRESS. (mb)	TEMP(°C)	EYE	DIA. N.M.I.	REMARKS
			LAT. N	LCN. W			FLT LVL	SFC	HT(m)						
39	11	0630	35.0	64.8	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		50							
40	11	1200	35.1	63.8	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4		40							
41	11	1800	35.5	63.5	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4		50							
42	11	1830	35.7	63.4	NAVY				180M	1006					
43	11	2000	35.7	63.2	NAVY	1 / 1		70		1004		26	22	C	8
44	12	0030	35.8	61.9	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		50							
45	12	0630	36.2	61.8	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		40							
46	12	1200	37.1	61.3	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4		40							
47	12	1737	38.8	60.1	AF			50	700MB		3170				EYE WELL DEFINED
48	12	1830	39.0	60.1	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4		50							
49	12	1846	38.9	59.8	AF	3 / 5		700MB		3158		C	5		WIND EYE, NO WALL CLOUD
50	13	0030	39.6	58.9	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		35							
51	13	0630	40.0	55.8	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		30							
52	13	1245	40.6	52.4	SMS1	1,6, IR 8		40							
53	13	1830	41.6	50.0	SMS1	1,4,VSBL 4		40							

Table 6. (continued)

HURRICANE FIFI 14 - 22 SEPTEMBER 1974

CENTER FIX

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)			MIN. ACFT FLT LVL	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	700MB HT(M)	TEMP (°C)		EYE		REMARKS
			LAT. N	LONG. W		FLT LVL	SFC	IN.				IN.	OUT.	C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	
1	15	2304	16.8	73.8	NAVY	5 / 2	20	30	457M	1003		25	23			
2	16	0100	17.3	74.1	SMS1	1,5, IR 8		25								
3	16	0630	17.6	75.1	SMS1	1,5, IR 8		25								
4	16	0815	17.2	76.2	JAMAICA RADAR											
5	16	1015	17.5	76.2	"	"										VERY POORLY DEFINED
6	16	1115	17.6	76.4	"	"										FAIR
7	16	1230	17.3	77.0	SMS1	1,5,VSBL 4		30								FAIR
8	16	1315	17.7	76.9	JAMAICA RADAR											
9	16	1635	17.7	77.3	"	"										FAIR
10	16	1735	17.8	77.7	"	"										FAIR
11	16	1830	17.4	78.5	SMS1	1,5,VSBL 4		35								POOR
12	16	1840	17.0	77.8	NAVY	5 / 10		35		1005		26	21			
13	16	2041	16.9	78.1	NAVY	3 / 3		40				25	21			LARGE CALM WIND CENTER
14	17	0010	17.3	78.8	AF				457M	1000						WALL CLOUD FORMING
15	17	0030	16.9	79.1	SMS1	1,4, IR 8		35						C	15	
16	17	0258	17.1	79.2	AF				457M	998						
17	17	0424	17.1	79.4	AF	5 / 1		46	457M	998		24	24	C	15	WALL WELL DEFINED
18	17	0543	16.8	79.4	NAVY	5 / 2	60	60	259M	993		25	25			
19	17	0630	16.8	79.7	SMS1	1,3, IR 8		40								
20	17	0723	16.9	79.5	NAVY				457M							
21	17	0932	16.6	79.8	NAVY			60								SLP 987 OUTSIDE EYE 6 NM
22	17	1115	16.4	80.3	JAMAICA RADAR											
23	17	1147	16.8	80.2	NAVY			70								
24	17	1219	16.7	80.3	NAVY	5 / 3		70	3048M		2987	17	13	C	12	MIN SLP 986.7 17 NM SW OF CENTER
25	17	1230	16.6	80.4	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4		50								CLOSED WELL DEFINED EYE.
26	17	1830	16.5	81.2	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4		60								
27	17	2148	16.3	81.7	NAVY											
28	17	2315	16.0	81.6	NAVY	5 / 5		55	700MB		2947			C	15	CLOSED WALL WELL DEFINED
29	18	0030	16.4	81.9	SMS1	2,4, IR 8		60								
30	18	0053	16.3	81.0	NAVY											
31	18	0200	16.4	81.6	NAVY											
32	18	0608	16.4	82.5	AF			55								
33	18	0630	16.6	82.5	SMS1	1,3, IR 8		72	700MB	977	2896					
34	18	0745	16.5	82.5	AF	15 / 2		70								
35	18	0910	16.8	82.8	AF			54	700MB	974	2874		16	11	C	10
36	18	1124	16.3	83.2	AF				3042M		2847					
37	18	1236	16.6	83.7	SMS1	1,3,VSBL 4		72								
38	18	1824	16.5	84.8	NAVY	3 / 3					2859					EYE POORLY DEFINED ON RADAR

Table 6. (continued)

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FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER,	MAX WIND(kt)			ACFT	MIN. PRESS. (mb)	MIN. 700MB HT(m)	TEMP(°C)		EYE	C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT	LVL	SFC				IN.	OUT.				
39	18	1830	16.4	85.0	SMS1	1,1,VSBL 4			85									
40	18	1957	16.4	84.9	NAVY	3 / 2		85	85									
41	18	2141	16.3	85.2	NAVY	5 / 3		95	120									
42	18	2341	16.2	85.6	NAVY	5 / 3		85										
43	19	0030	16.3	86.0	SMS1	1,1, IR 8			85									
44	19	0045	16.3	85.6	NAVY	5 / 5			95									
45	19	0215	16.1	86.0	BELIZE RADAR												EYE NOT COMPLETELY DEFINED	
46	19	0400	16.3	86.5	BELIZE RADAR												EYE WELL DEFINED	
47	19	0525	16.2	87.2	SMS1	1,3, IR 8			85									
48	19	0535	16.1	86.5	BELIZE RADAR												EYE OPEN TO NORTH	
49	19	0600	16.2	87.2	SMS1	1,3, IR 8			85									
50	19	0648	16.1	86.7	AF			75										
51	19	0810	15.9	86.8	BELIZE RADAR													
52	19	0818	16.1	86.9	AF												2838	
53	19	0902	16.1	87.0	AF												2844	
54	19	0930	16.0	86.9	BELIZE RADAR													
55	19	1017	16.0	87.1	AF												2841	
56	19	1109	16.1	87.3	AF												2853	
57	19	1200	16.2	87.3	BELIZE RADAR													
58	19	1230	16.2	87.7	SMS1	1,5,VSBL 4		72										
59	19	1300	16.2	87.5	BELIZE RADAR													
60	19	1400	16.1	87.7	BELIZE RADAR													
61	19	1500	16.1	87.9	BELIZE RADAR													
62	19	1700	16.2	87.9	BELIZE RADAR													
63	19	1800	16.2	88.2	BELIZE RADAR													
64	19	1900	16.4	88.2	BELIZE RADAR													
65	19	1910	16.4	88.2	NAVY	4 / 2		70									CLEARLY DEFINED WITH CLOSED WALL	
66	19	2000	16.5	88.3	BELIZE RADAR													
67	19	2007	16.5	88.5	NAVY			80										
68	19	2100	16.5	88.5	BELIZE RADAR													
69	19	2110	16.7	88.7	NAVY													
70	19	2130	16.7	88.8	NAVY													
71	19	2300	16.7	89.0	BELIZE RADAR													
72	20	0000	16.7	89.2	BELIZE RADAR												ILL DEFINED	
																	ILL DEFINED HARD TO LOCATE	

Table 6. (continued)

HURRICANE GERTRUDE 28 SEPTEMBER - 3 OCTOBER 1974

CENTER FIX

FIX NO.	DATE	TIME GMT	POSITION			CHARACTER.	MAX WIND (KT)		ACFT ALT	MIN. PRESS. (MB)	MIN. 700MB HT(M)	TEMP (°C)	EYE C=CIRC E=ELLIP.	DIA. N.MI.	REMARKS
			LAT. N	LON. W	UNIT		FLT LVL	SFC							
1	26	1828	9.5	40.0	ATS-3	1,3,VSBL 8		25							
2	27	1230	9.3	46.8	SMS1	1,6, IR 4,8		30							
3	27	1825	10.7	46.4	ATS-3	1,5,VSBL 8		30							
4	28	1230	10.4	50.2	SMS1	1,4,VSBL 4		30							
5	28	1427	10.3	50.3	DMPS										
6	28	1606	10.6	51.7	NAVY RADAR										
7	28	1648	10.7	51.6	NAVY	5 / 1	75	80		1004		25	22		
8	28	1826	10.9	52.0	NAVY	5 / 1	95	100		999		26	27		
9	28	1832	10.8	51.4	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4		40							
10	28	1931	10.9	52.3	NAVY	5 / 5		35				26	27		
11	29	0100	10.9	52.7	SMS1	1,5, IR 8		35							
12	29	0308	11.3	56.3	DMPS										
13	29	0514	11.3	55.1	NAVY RADAR							16	10		
14	29	0600	11.5	54.6	NAVY	5 / 5	60								
15	29	0630	11.7	53.3	SMS1	2,6, IR 8		40							
16	29	1210	11.4	55.2	DMPS										
17	29	1230	11.5	55.1	SMS1	2,3,VSBL 4		50							
18	29	1320	11.2	55.1	AF										
19	29	1432	11.4	55.2	AF	1 / 3	55	100		1000		13	9		
20	29	1600	11.4	55.2	AF										
21	29	1714	11.4	55.4	AF	1 / 1	41	100		1001		14	9		
22	29	1754	11.9	55.2	ATS-3	2,3,VSBL 8		50							
23	29	1800	11.4	55.4	AF			100							
24	29	2125	11.6	55.7	NAVY	5 / 5	65	65		1004		27	25		Poorly Defined
25	29	2244	12.3	55.2	DMPS										
26	30	0008	11.7	55.9	NAVY	5 / -	40					14	10		
27	30	0030	12.1	55.8	SMS1	1,5, IR 8		40							
28	30	0220	11.4	56.3	NAVY	5 / 5	40			1004		27	23		Poorly Defined
29	30	0259	11.4	56.3	NAVY	5 / 5	60			1005		14	7		Poorly Defined
30	30	0630	12.2	54.8	SMS1	1,5, IR 8		50							
31	30	1200	11.0	56.9	SMS1	1,4,VSBL 4		50							
32	30	1224	11.0	56.7	NAVY	3 / 2		35		1007		25	24		No Wall Cloud. Poorly Defined
33	30	1617	11.2	56.4	NAVY	5 / 1		45		1008		29	23		
34	30	1730	11.5	56.4	NAVY	5 / 2		35		1008		27	24		
35	30	1826	11.8	56.8	ATS-3	1,5,VSBL 8		50							
36	01	0015	11.9	58.2	AF					1007					
37	01	0030	12.5	56.8	SMS1	2,5, IR 8		40							
38	01	0325	11.8	57.6	AF	1 / 10		35		1006					

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FIX NO.	TIME UT	POSITION		UNIT	CHARACTER.	MAX WIND(kt)			MIN. PRESS. (mb)	MIN. 70CMB HT(m)	TEMP(°C)		EYE	DIA.	REMARKS
		LAT. °N	LONG. °W			FLT LVL	SFC	ACFT ALT			IN.	OUT.			
39	0413	12.1													
40	0630	12.6			2,5, IR. 8			40							
41	1229	12.1			5 / 1		20	20							
42	1230	12.6			1,5,VSBL 4			35							
43	1315	12.5													
44	1415	12.3			5 / 2		45	45							
45	1513	12.6													
46	1750	12.2			5 / 5		40	40							
47	1821	12.2			1,3,VSBL 8			35							
48	0001	12.5			2,5, IR 8			30							
49	0029	12.6			2 / 15			15							
50	0354	12.5													ONLY A FEW RADAR ECHOES NO ORGAN.
51	1256	13.0													
52	1335	12.3						42							
53	1600	12.8			1 / 15		15	20							
54	1640	13.4							10						

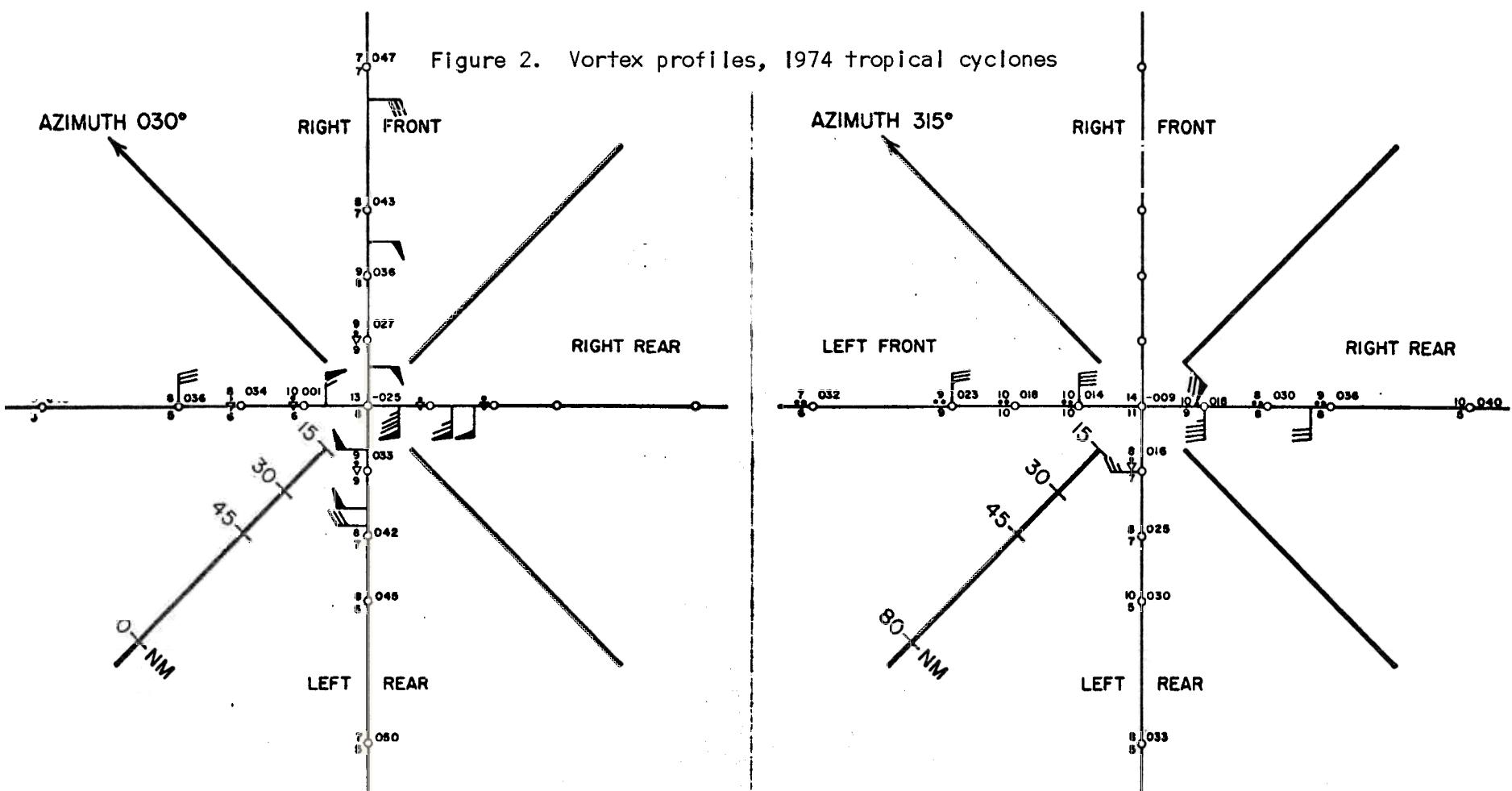
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Table 7. Reconnaissance Summary for 1974 Hurricane Season

	AIR FORCE	NAVY	NOAA/RFF	TOTALS
FIXES	PENETRATIONS 82 RADAR 5	PENETRATIONS 64 RADAR 27	PENETRATIONS 0 RADAR 0	PENETRATIONS 146 RADAR 32
OBSERVATIONS	755	1139	0	1894
DROPSONDIES	43	11	0	54
MISSIONS	45	57	0	102
FLYING TIME (HOURS)	STORM: 289:03 INVEST: 190:09 TOTAL : 479:12	STORM: 286:09 INVEST: 201:12 TOTAL : 487:21	STORM: 0 INVEST:0 TOTAL :0	STORM: 575:12 INVEST:391:21 TOTAL: 966:33

Table 8. Summary of Atlantic Tropical Cyclone Reconnaissance, 1965-1974

YEAR	NUMBER OF STORMS	RECON POD'S ISSUED	USAF--USN-RFF		
			TOTAL AIRCRAFT MISSIONS FLOWN	TOTAL FLYING HOURS	TOTAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS
1974	7	243	102	967	1894
1973	8	239	127	1065	2121
1972	7	245	121	1073	2096
1971	12	287	207	1880	3489
1970	7	253	129	1189	3076
1969	13	266	224	2040	2850
1968	7	233	94	802	1230
1967	8	229	137	1266	2043
1966	11	250	200	1964	2431
1965	6	233	166	1088	2908
TOTAL	86	2498	1507	13354	24138
AVERAGE	8.6	250	151	1335	2414



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Figure 2-A

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ZZZ "D" VALUE (TENS OF FEET)
TT TEMPERATURE
T_{dd} DEW POINT
W PRESENT WEATHER
dd WIND DIRECTION
ff WIND SPEED

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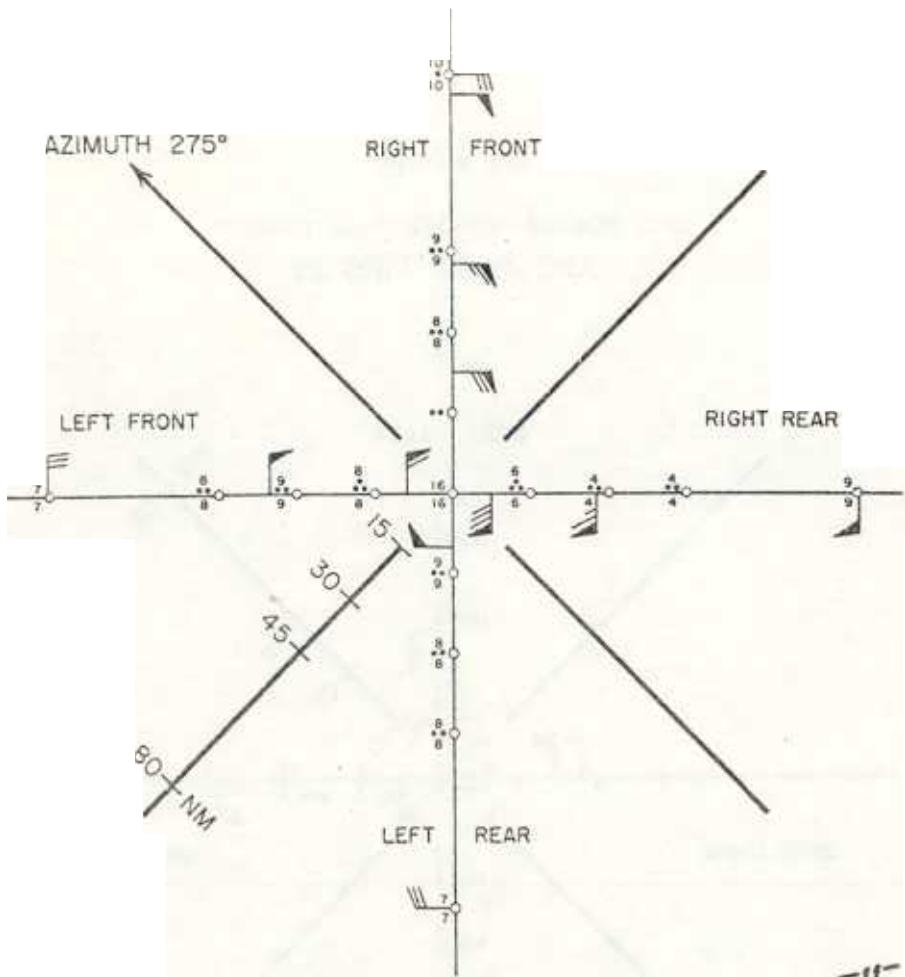


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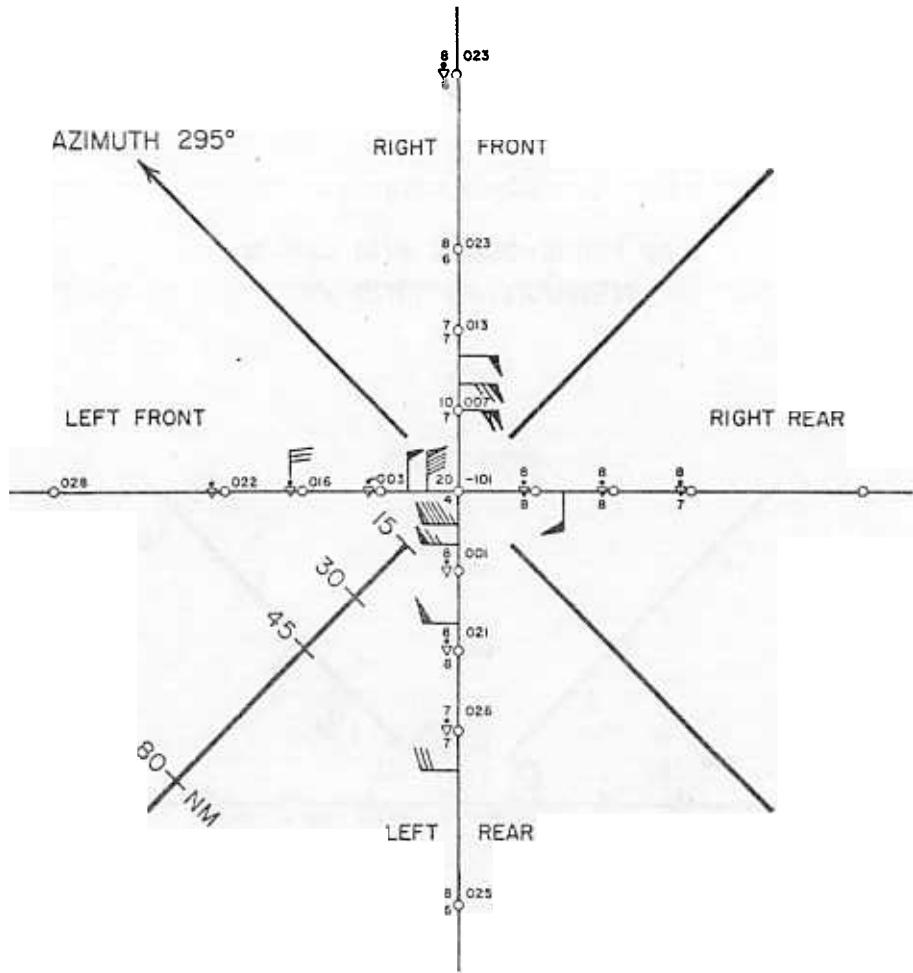


Figure 2-D

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- ZZZ "D" VALUE (TENS OF FEET)
- TT TEMPERATURE
- T_dT_d DEW POINT
- W PRESENT WEATHER
- dd WIND DIRECTION
- f f WIND SPEED

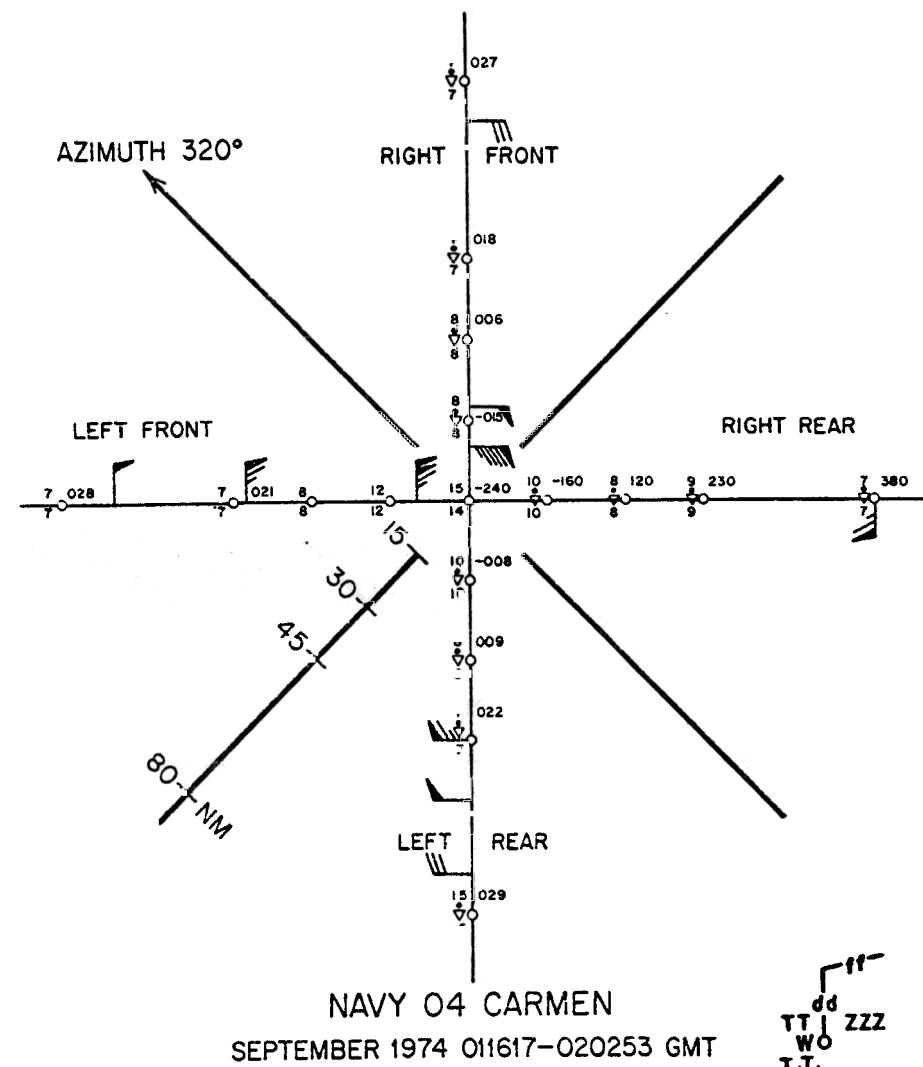


Figure 2-E

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T dd T
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dd WIND DIRECTION
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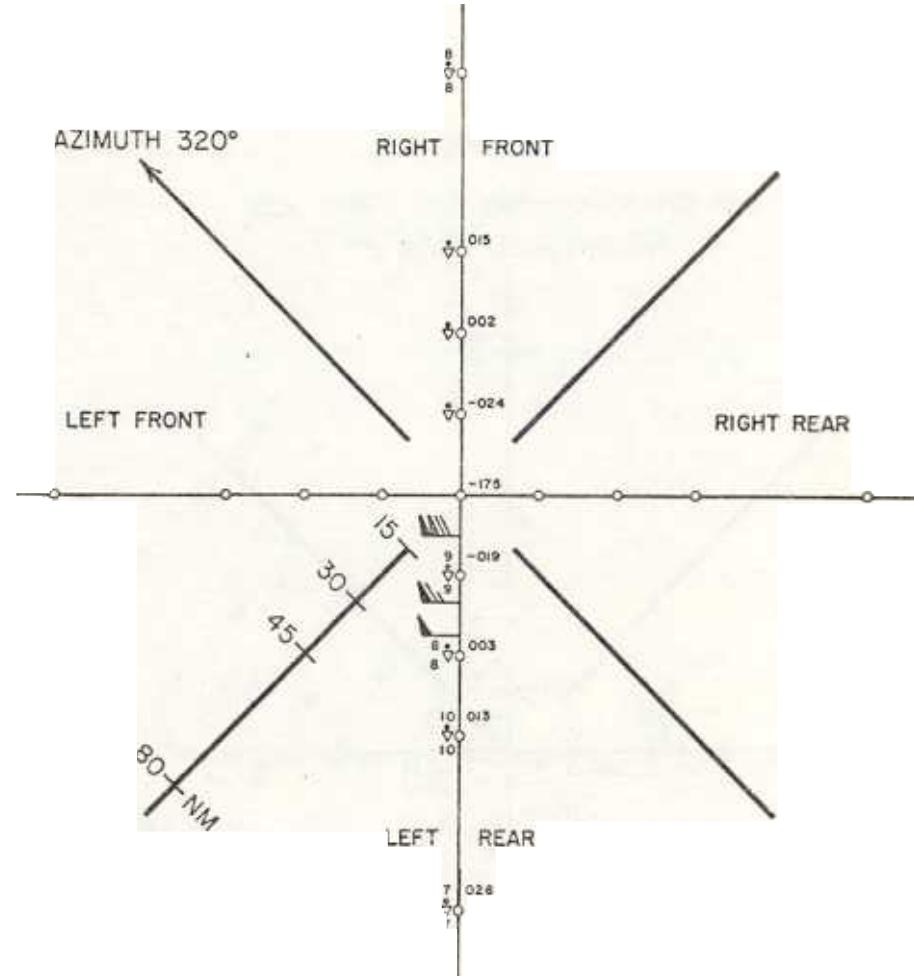


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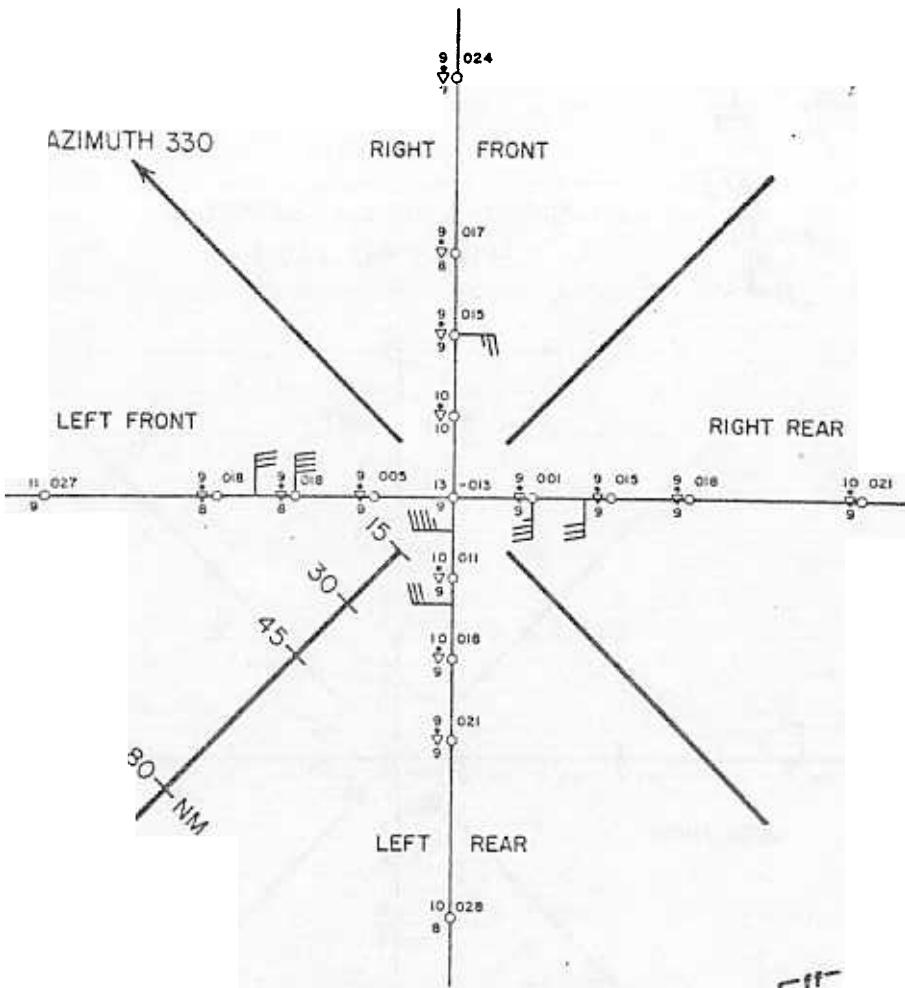


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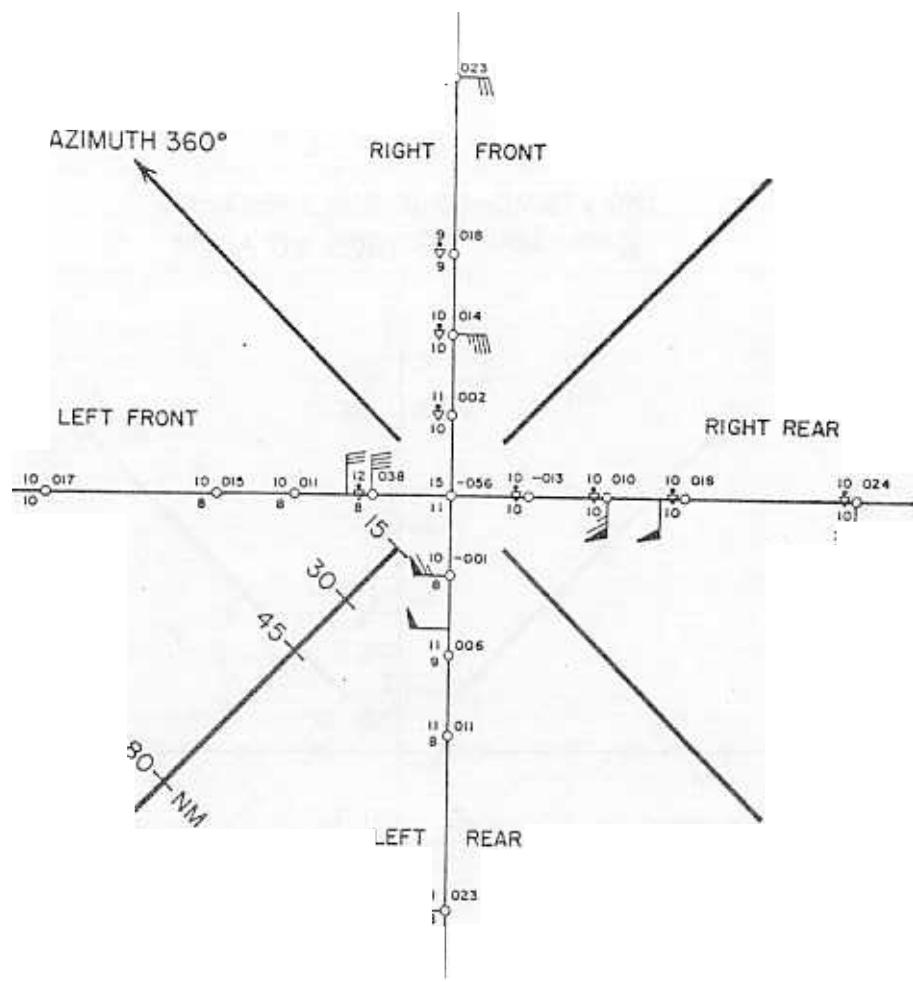
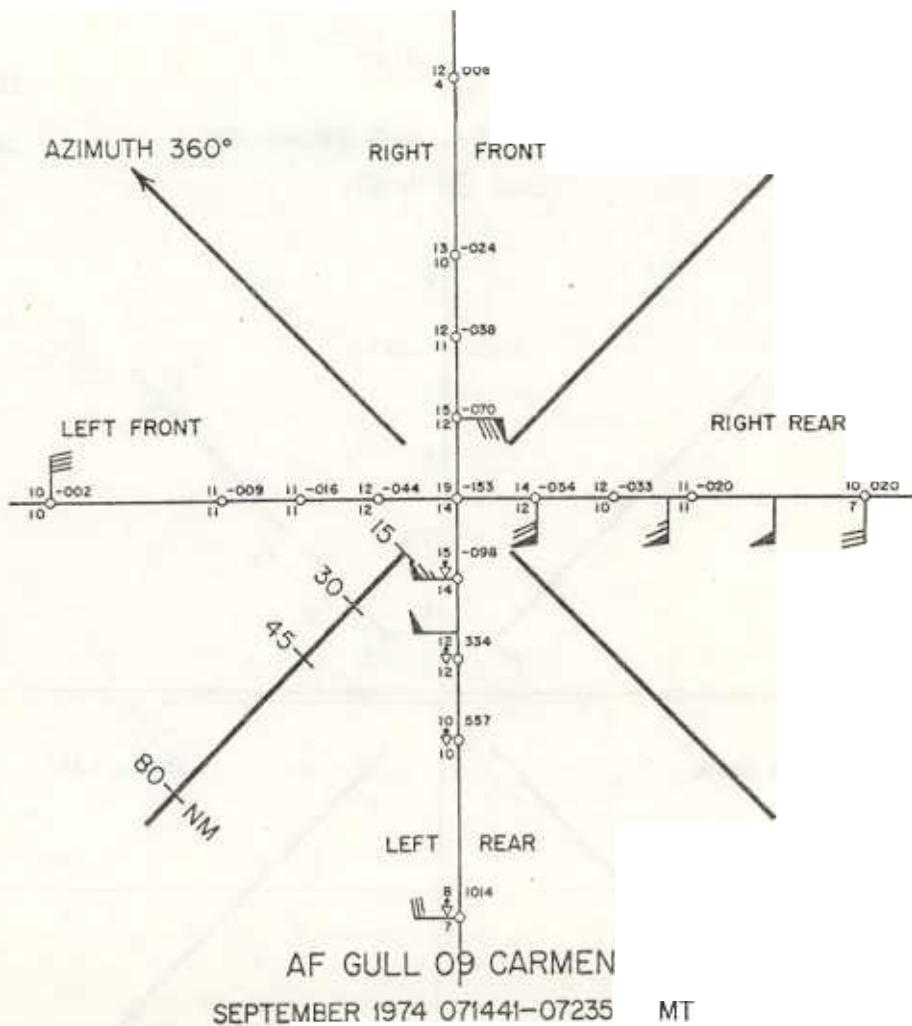
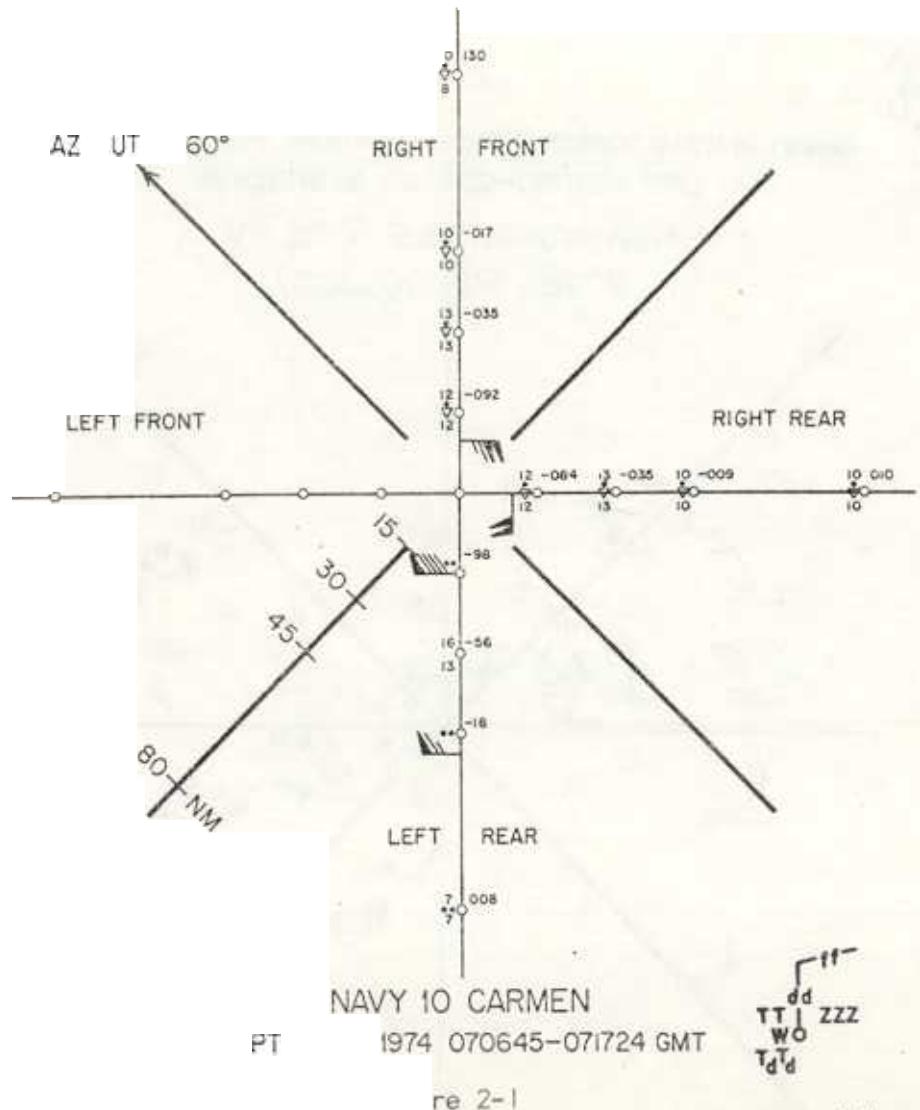
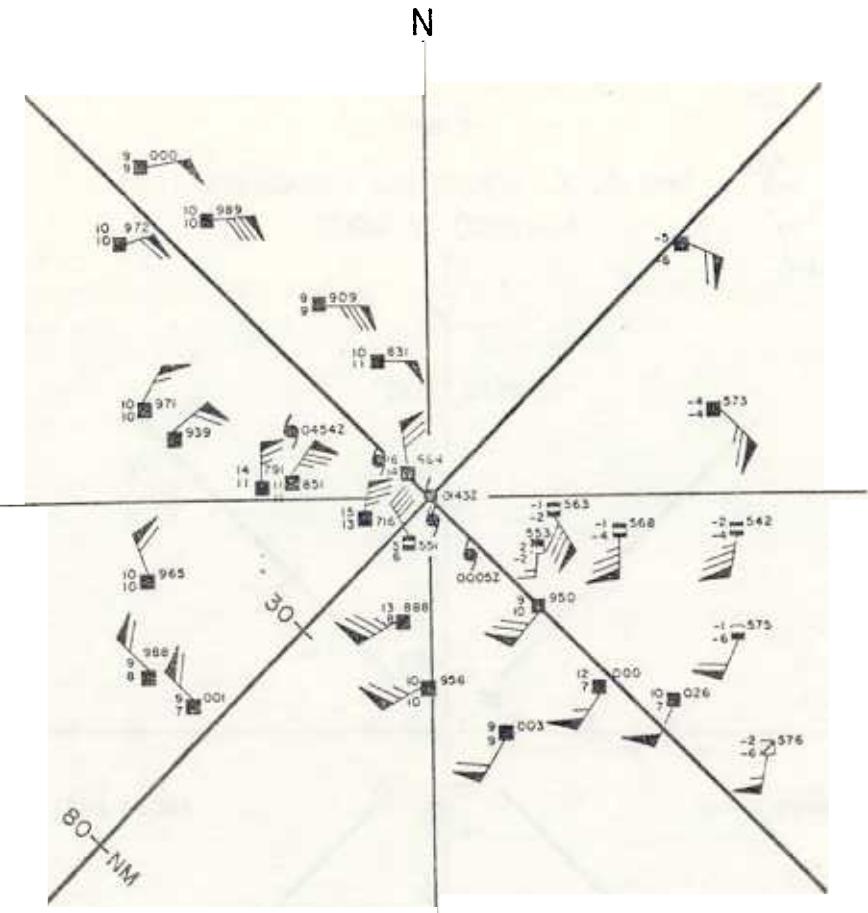


Figure 2-H

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T_dT_d DEW POINT
W PRESENT WEATHER
dd WIND DIRECTION
ff WIND SPEED



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T _d	DEW POINT
W	PRESENT WEATHER
d	WIND DIRECTION
f	WIND SPEED



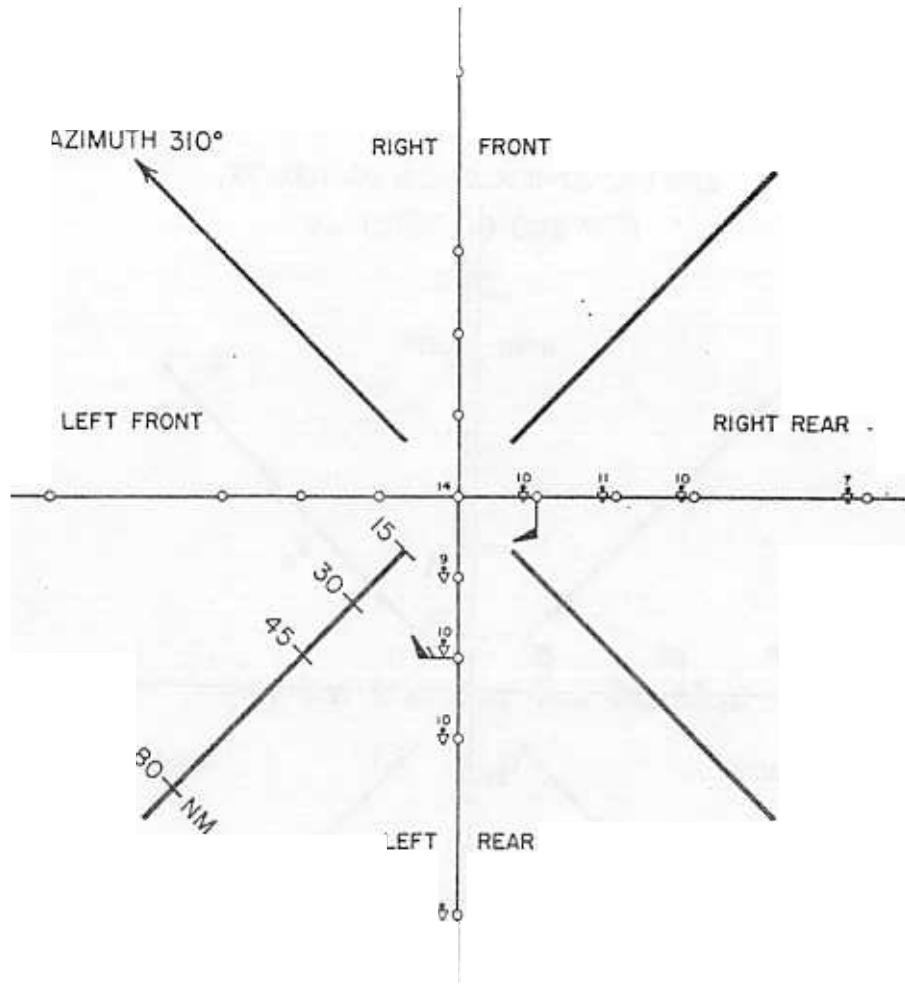
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AIRBORNE WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE SYSTEM (AWRS)

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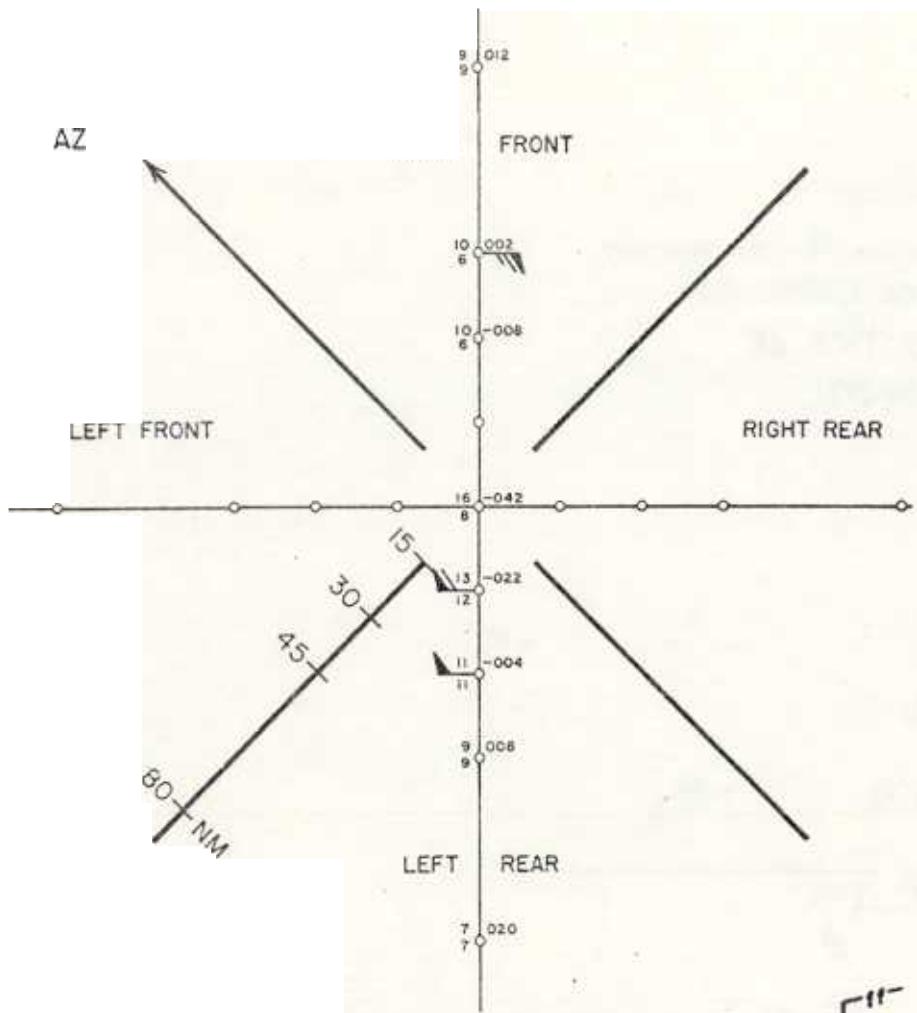
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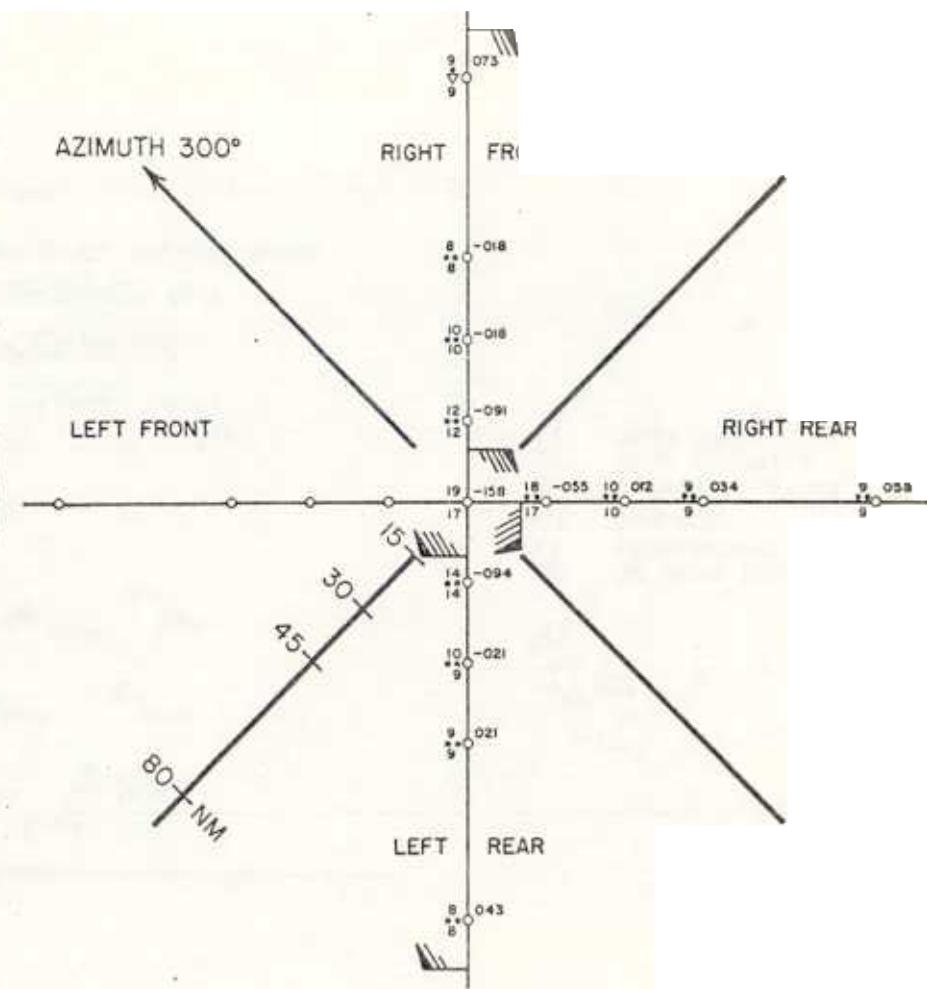
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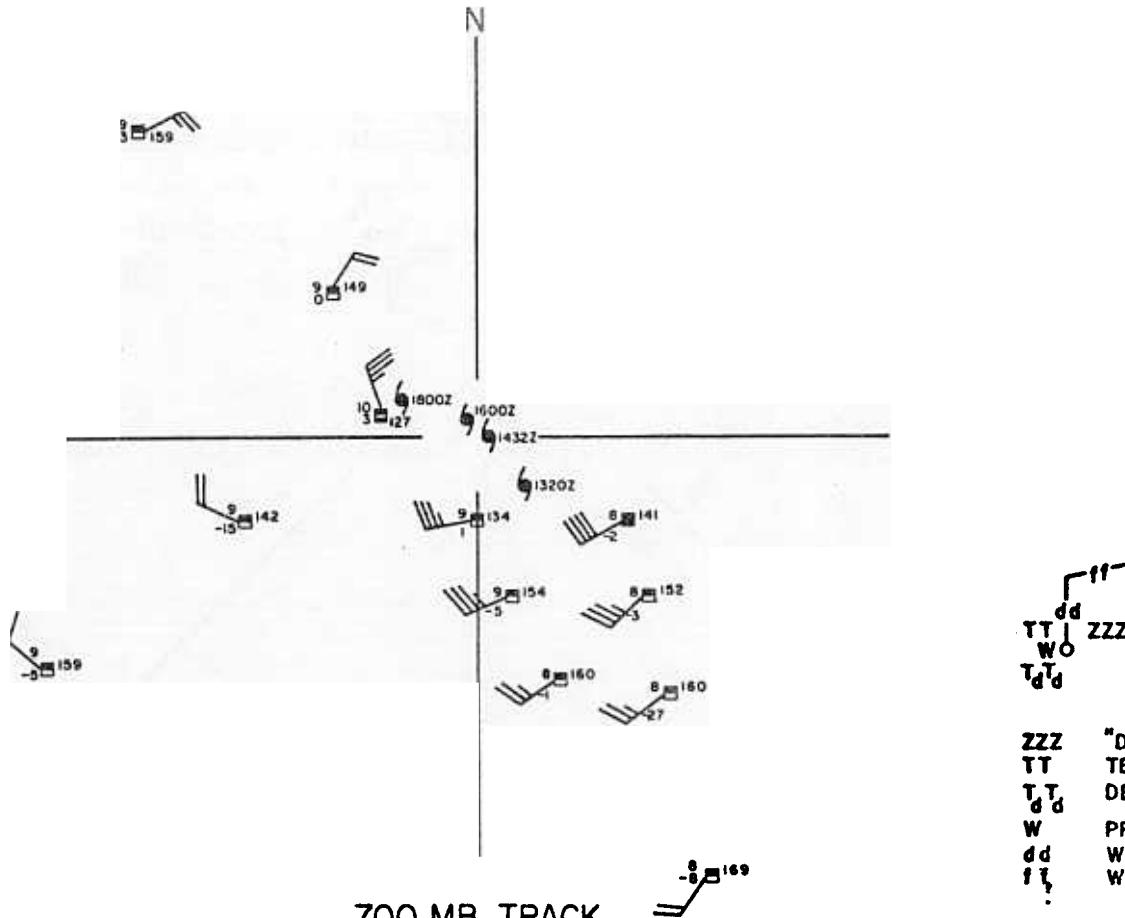
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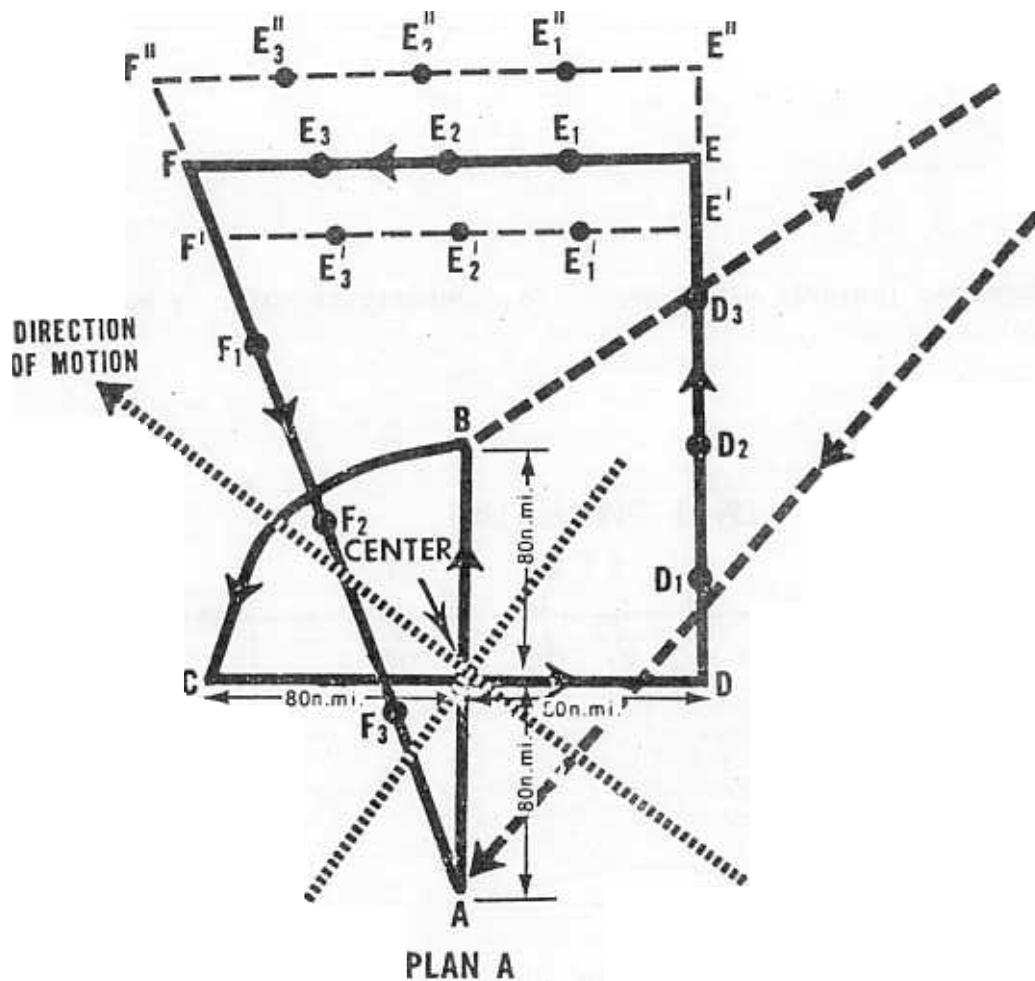
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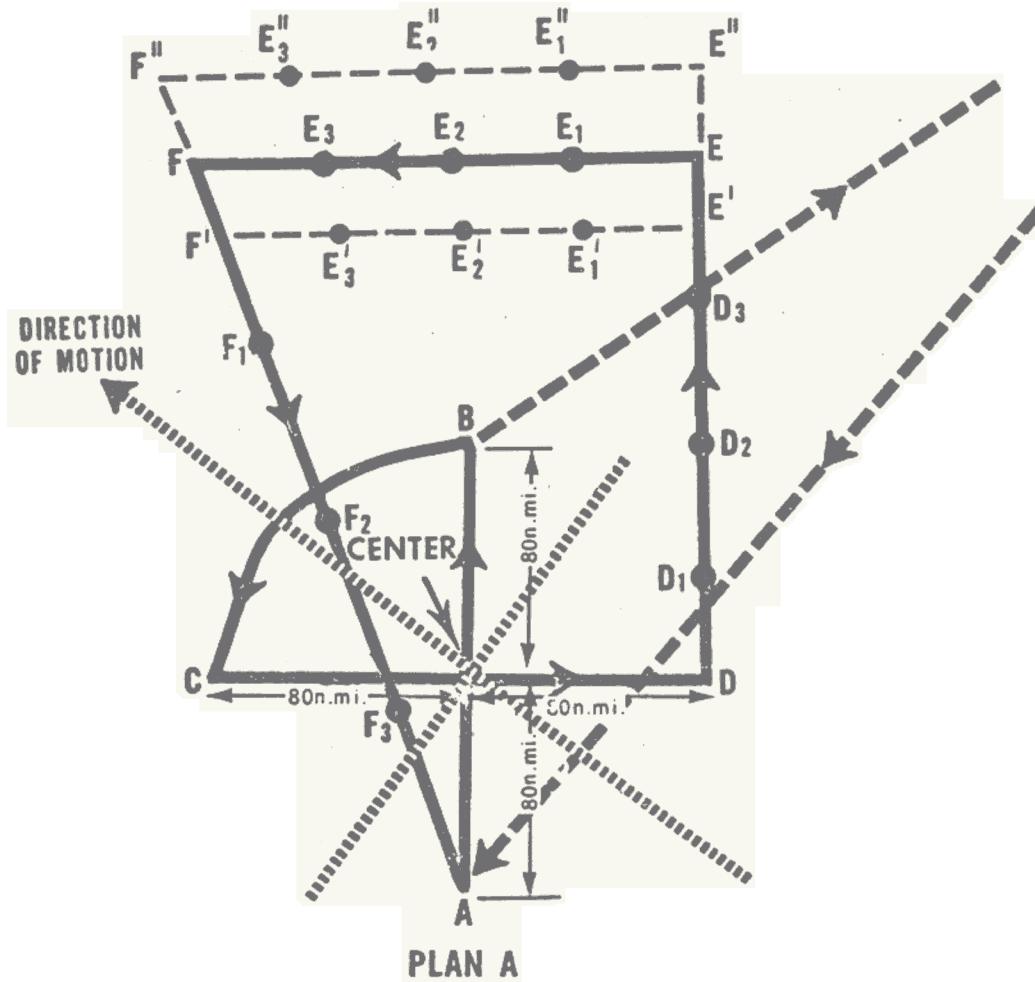
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Figure 2-0



FLIGHT ALTITUDES	
A B C D ..	10,000 FEET
D E F A ..	1,500 FEET

Figure 3. Flight pattern flown in obtaining vortex profiles.



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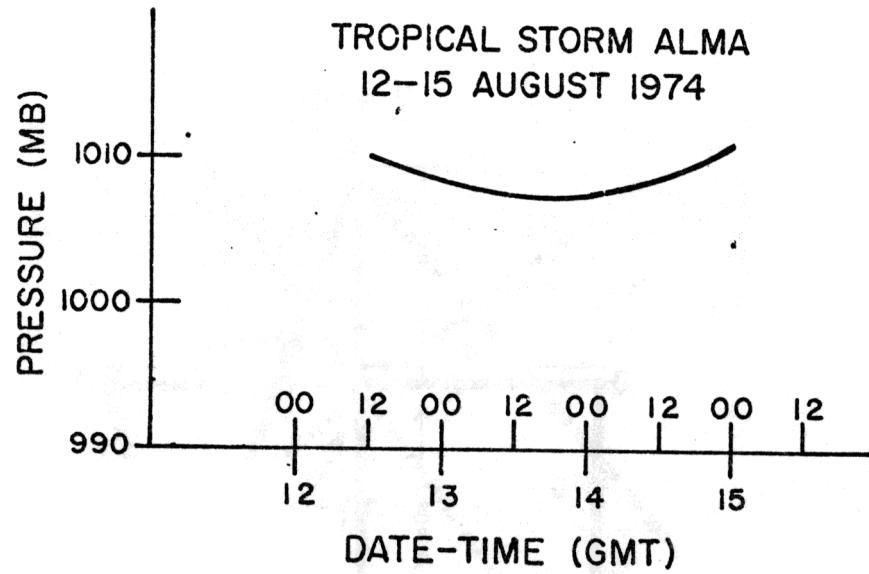


Figure 4. Lowest pressure vs time, 1974 tropical cyclones.

HURRICANE BECKY

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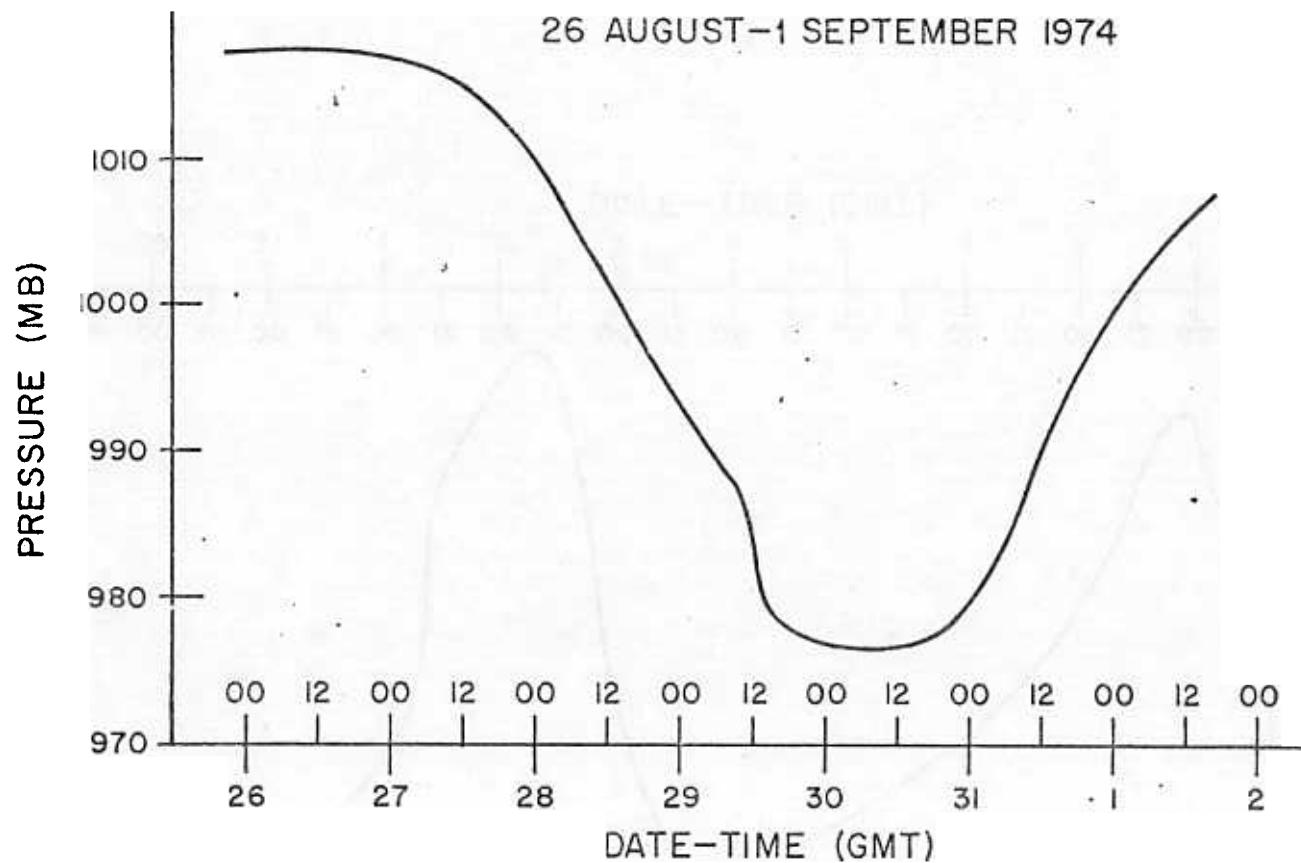


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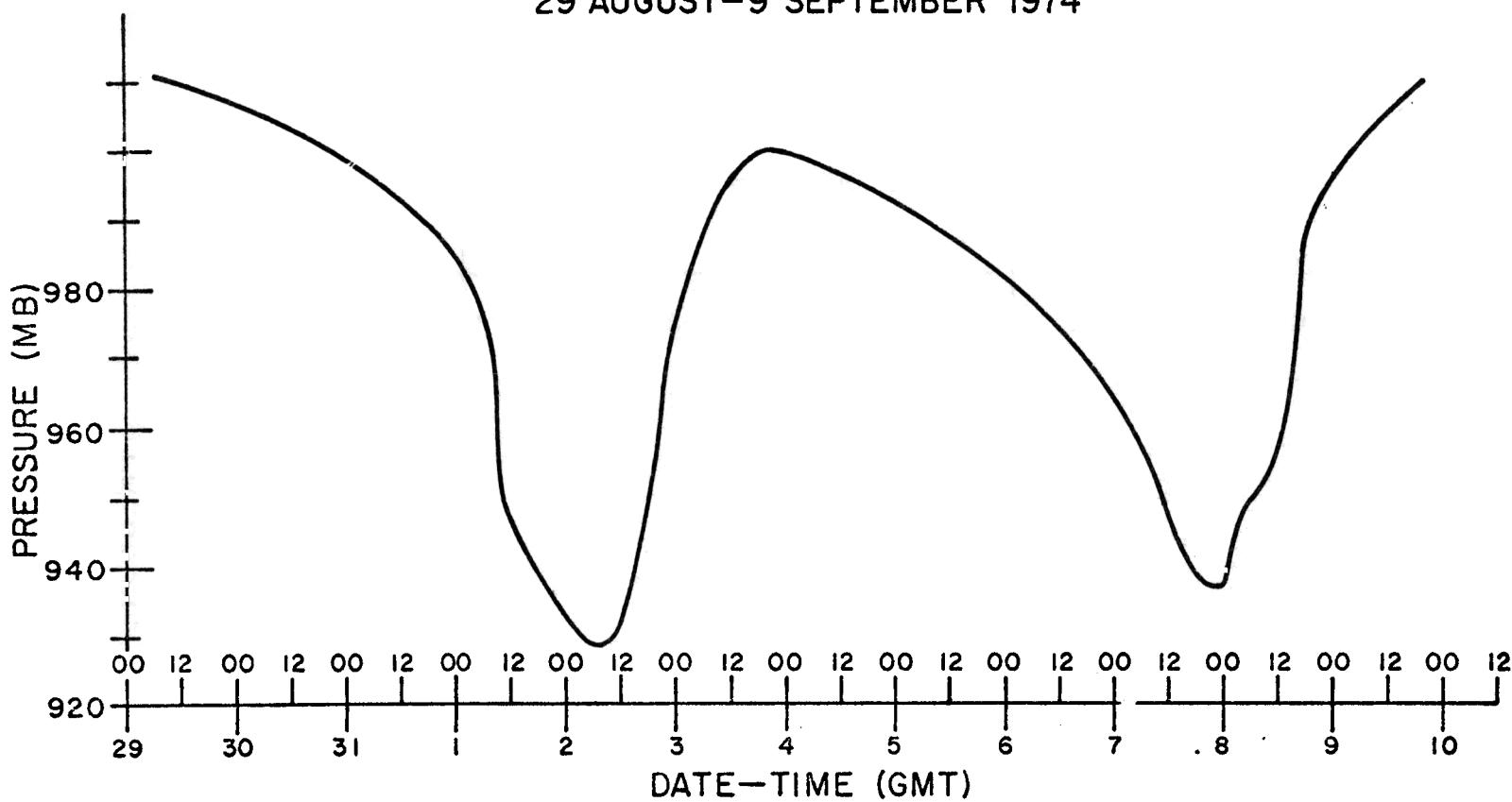


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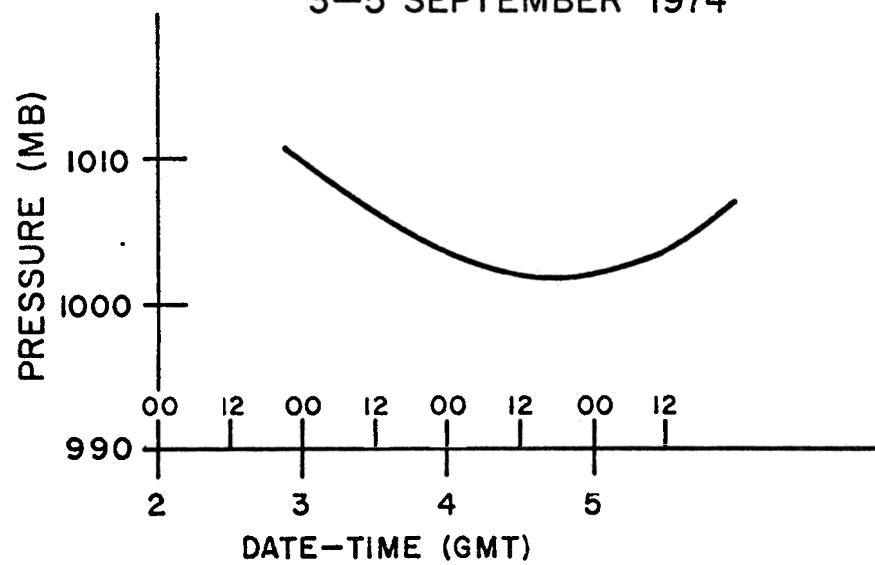


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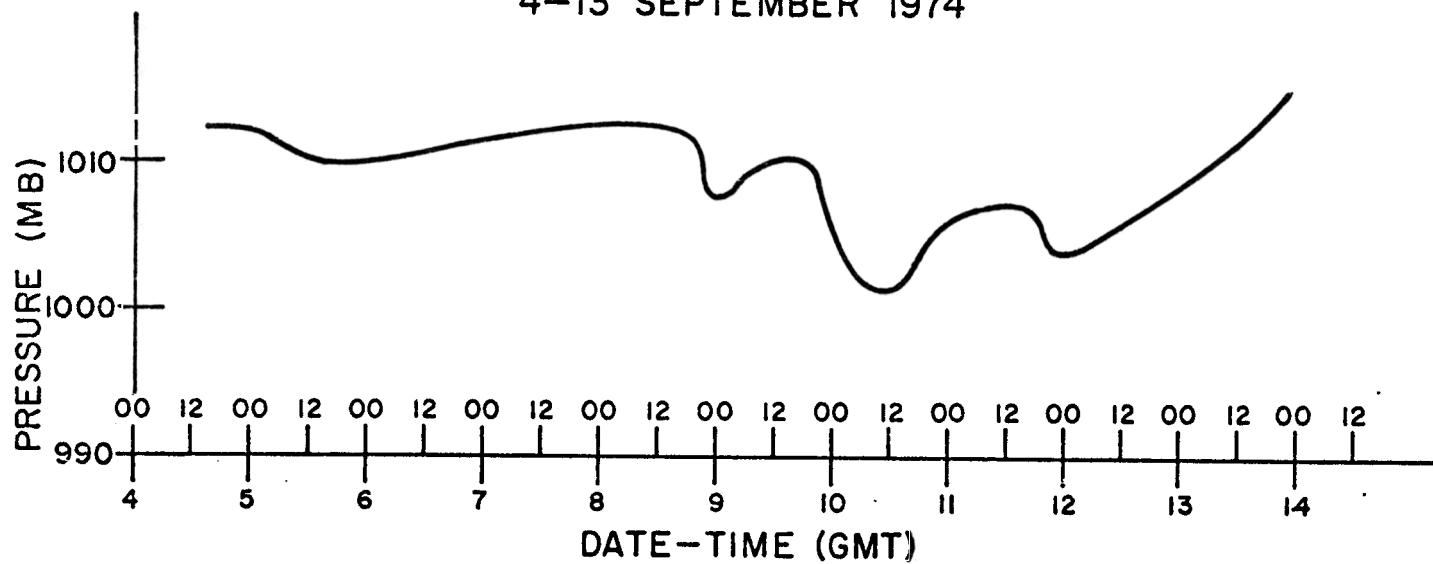


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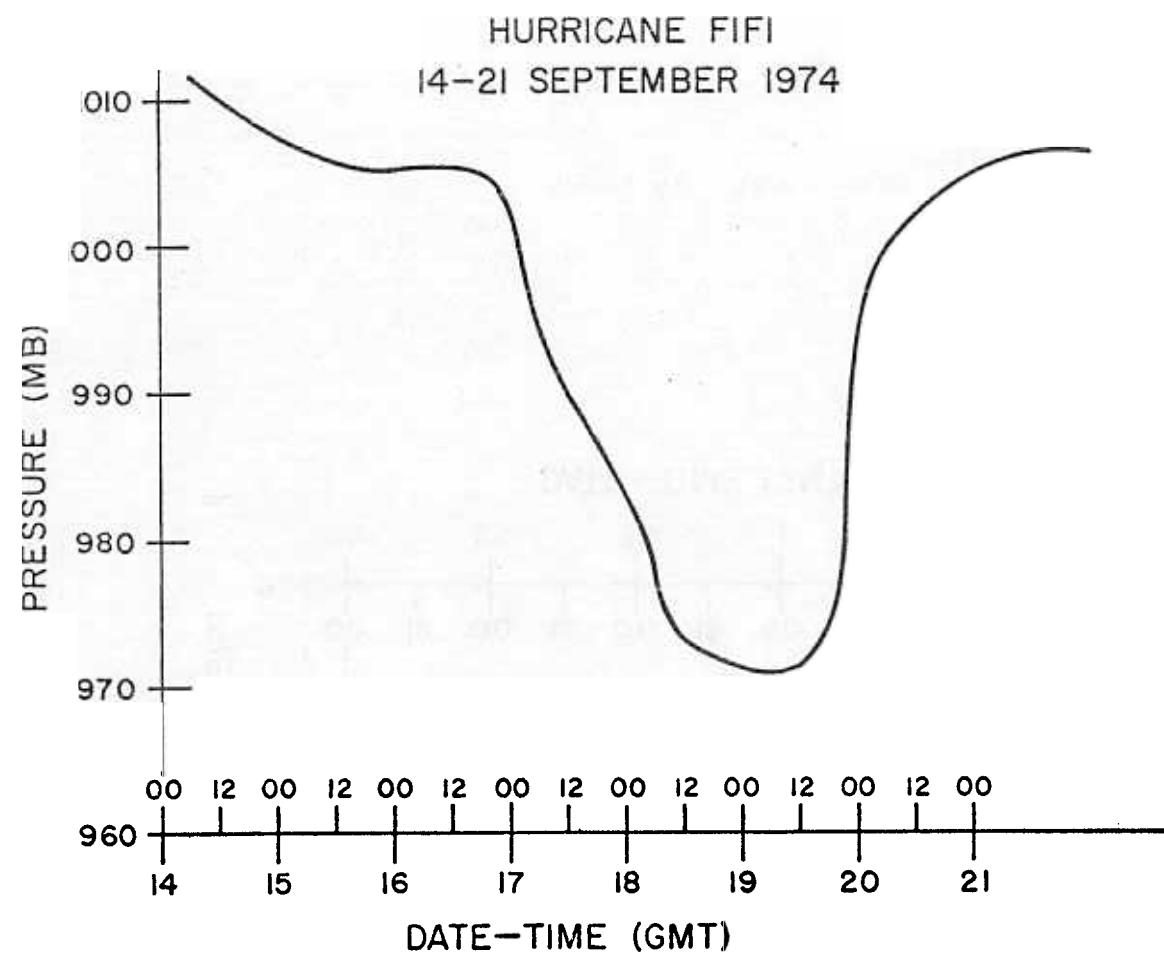


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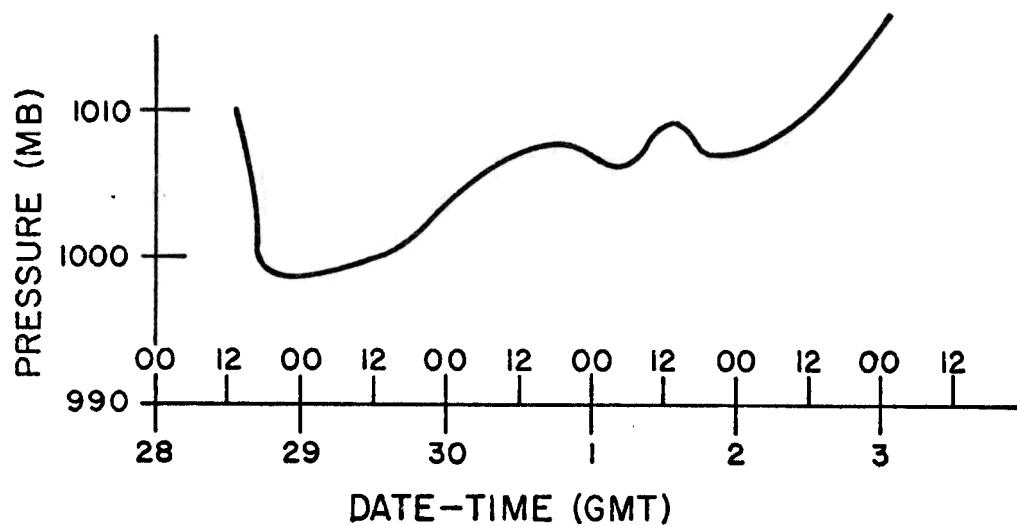


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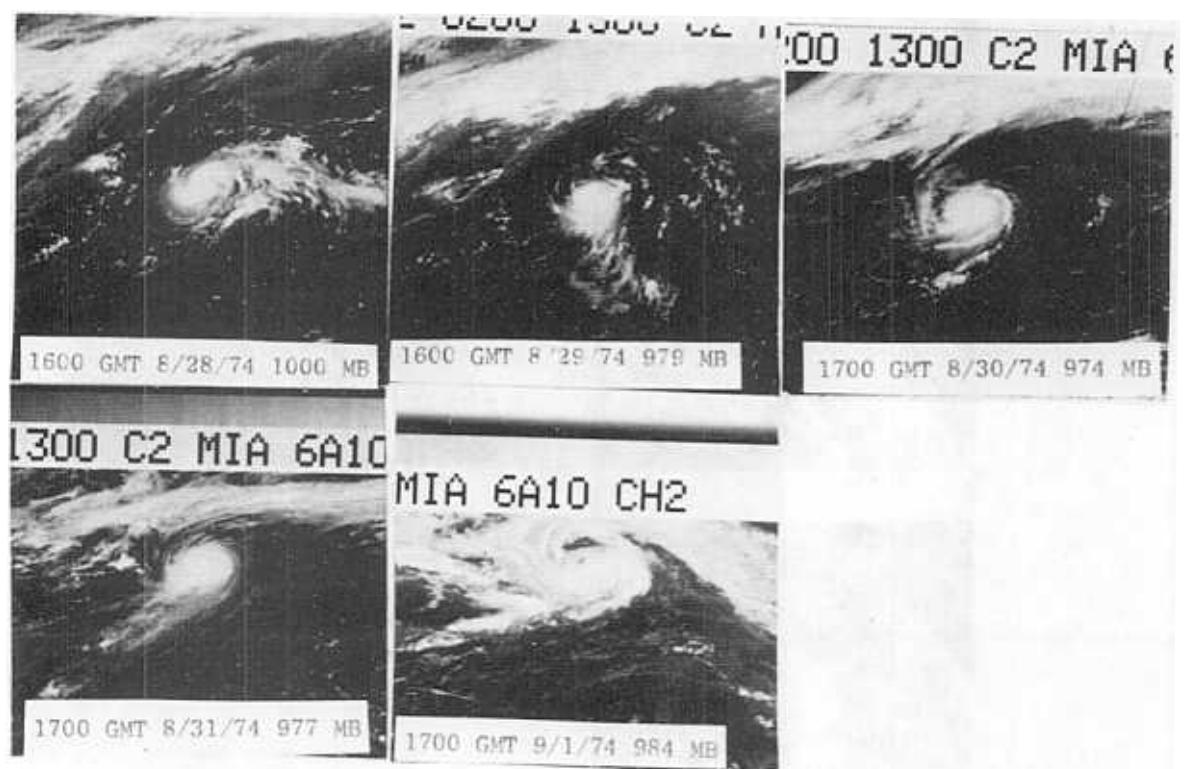
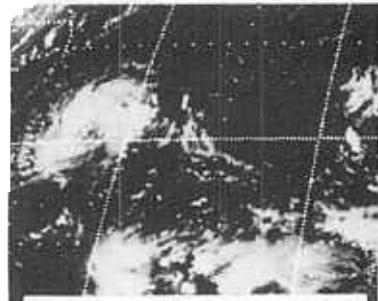


Figure 5. Daily satellite photographs of 1974 tropical storms and hurricanes.

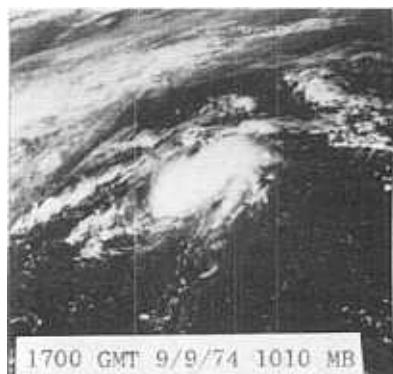
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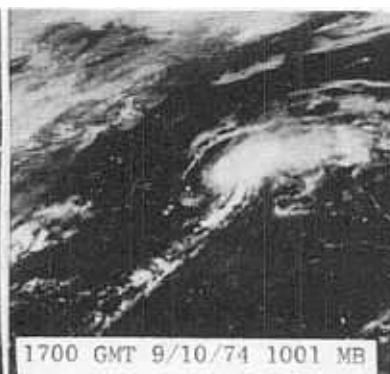
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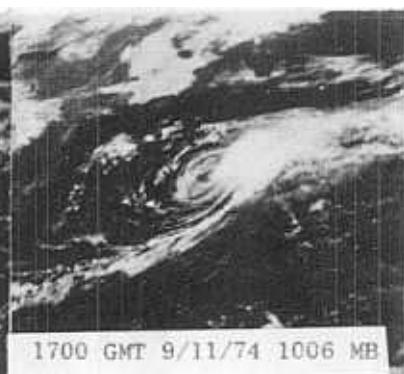
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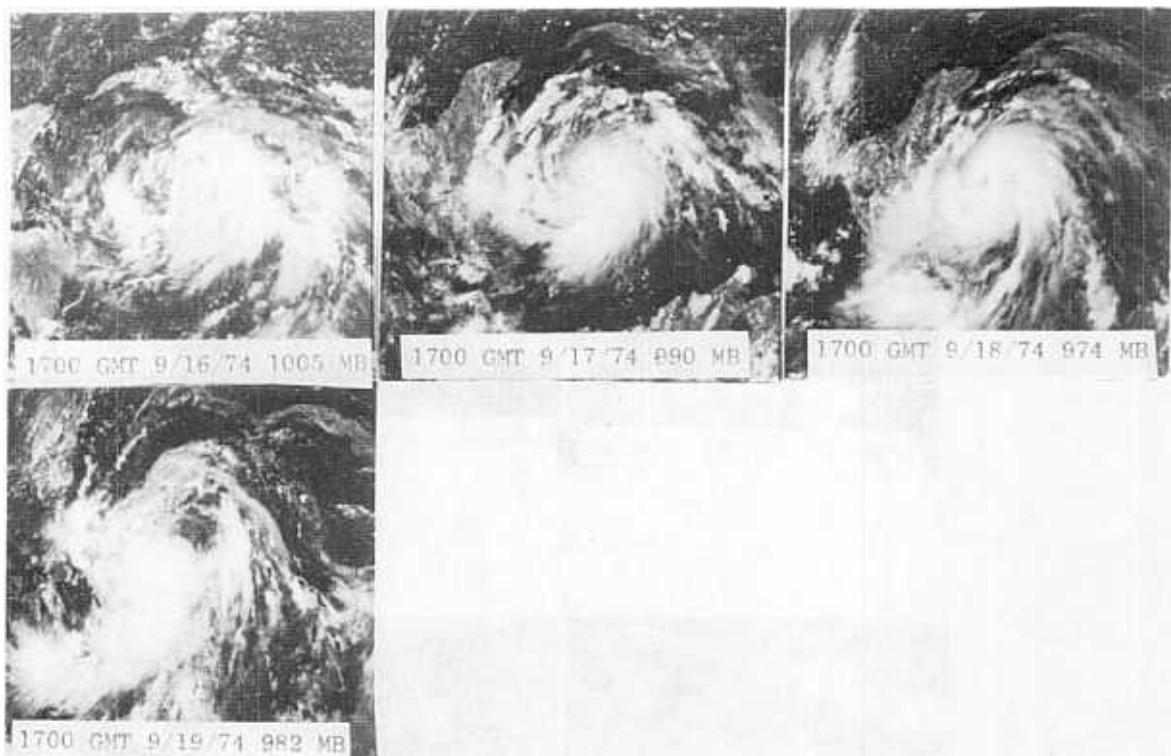


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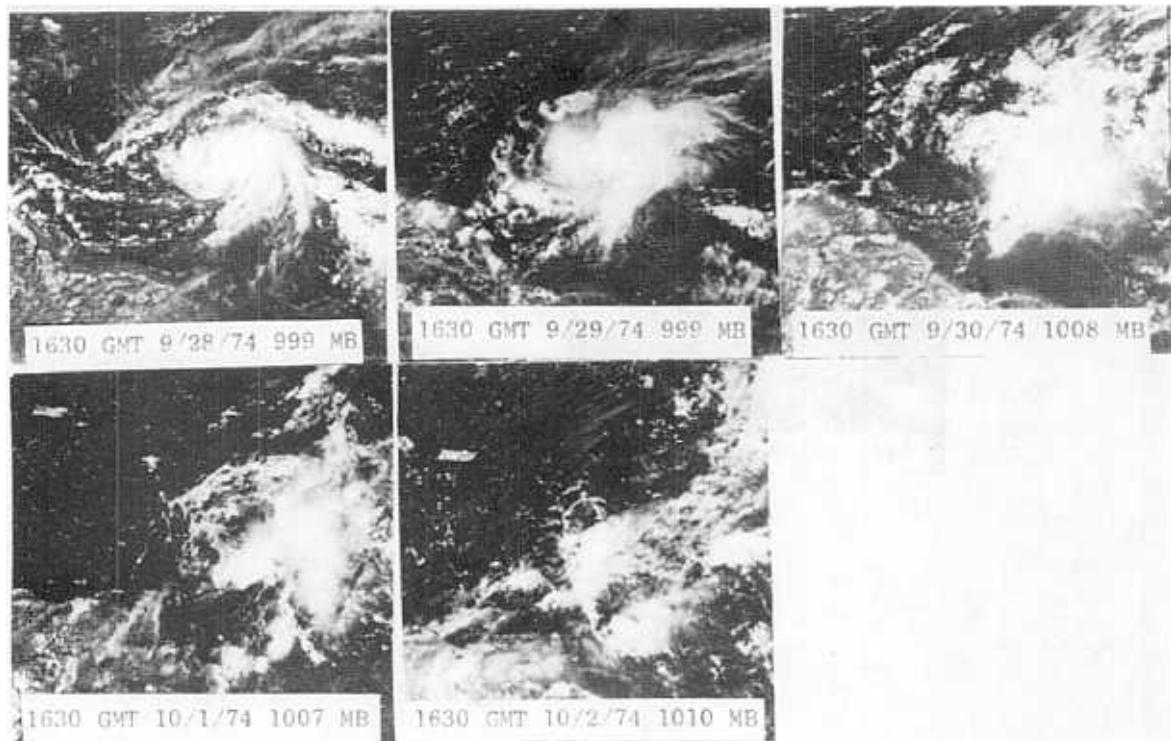


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