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**OFFICIAL  
STATEMENT**

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**Date: Thursday 23rd July 2020**

**Issuance Time: 6:00 a.m.**

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT # 6**

**GONZALO STRENGTHENS SLIGHTLY OVERNIGHT AS IT CONTINUES ON ITS WESTWARD TRACK**

At 5:00 AM AST (0900 UTC), the center of Tropical Storm Gonzalo was located near latitude 10.0 North, longitude 47.0 West or about 1565 km E of the southern Windward Islands. Gonzalo is moving toward the west near 19 km/h. A general westward motion at a faster forward speed is expected during the next 2 days. On the forecast track, the center of Gonzalo would approach the Windward Islands late Friday into Saturday.

Maximum sustained winds are near 100 km/h with higher gusts. Strengthening is forecast during the next couple of days, and Gonzalo is expected to become a hurricane by later today.

Gonzalo is a small tropical cyclone, as tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 55 km from the center.

The TTMS will continue to closely monitor the system and will issue an update at 6:00 p.m. today or earlier if the situation warrants. As always, pay close attention to information being issued by the TTMS by visiting [www.metoffice.gov.tt](http://www.metoffice.gov.tt), downloading our mobile app (search: TT Met Office) and following us on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

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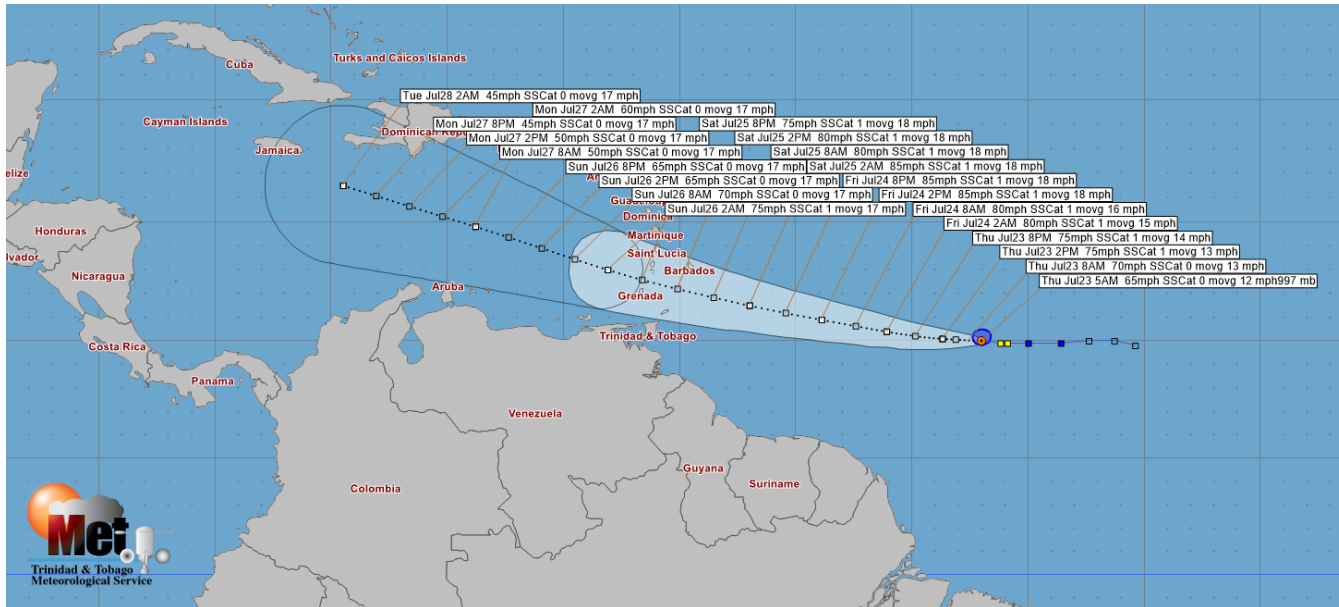
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**Tropical Storm Gonzalo - Thursday, July 23, 2020 5 AM SWST Advisory #7**

Center Location: 10 N 47 W Maximum Sustained Winds: 65 mph Movement: 12 mph W

□ forecast positions Potential Track Area: day 1-3 day 4-5 Surface Wind Field: ● at current location

Sustained Wind Speeds: ■ tropical storm >= 34kt/39mph ■ strong tropical storm >= 50kt/58mph ■ hurricane >= 64kt/74mph