July 6, 2018

Subject: Business Sector Disaster Damage Assessment and Crop Loss Assessment, re: Tropical Storm “Maria” (10W)

Hafa Adai Business and Farm Owners,

Pursuant to the Guam Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (GCEMP), the Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense (GHS/OCD) and other Government of Guam (GovGuam) support agencies are currently conducting an island-wide Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) following the passage of Tropical Storm "Maria" (10W). Assisting GHS/OCD in this effort include the following: Agency for Human Resources and Development, Bureau of Statistics and Plans, Department of Agriculture, Department of Chamorro Affairs, Department of Labor, Department of Land Management, Guam Economic Development Authority, Guam International Airport Authority, Guam Visitors Bureau and Port Authority of Guam.

In connection with this, should your businesses or farms suffered any damages or incurred costs relative to emergency protective services or debris clean-up as a result of Tropical Storm "Maria" (10W), I request that you submit your respective PDAs. Teams from eight (8) Government of Guam agencies led by Bureau of Statistics and Plans (BSP) and teams from the Department of Agriculture will be conducting the damage assessment by interviewing business owners/managers and farm owners, respectively, from Monday, July 9, to Wednesday, July 11, 2018. The result of the PDAs will equip GHS/OCD to make the determination on what assistance program can be brought in to support farms and business.

Should you need further information, please contact Leo Rustum J. Espia 483-0361 or via email at leo.espia@ghs.guam.gov.

Respectfully,

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