

Haitian storm kills 100, destroys homes



P O R T - A U - PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Lekeas Dorvilier jumped out the window of his two-room home just before it crumbled into a ravine.

"I didn't save anything, only myself," said Dorvilier, 35, one of thousands of Haitians left homeless by heavy rains and flooding that swept the Caribbean nation Monday and killed at least 100 people.

Prime Minister Smarck Michel declared a state of emergency and said his government would provide \$3 million to help clean up the deadliest storm of the season. Tropical Storm Gordon triggered landslides and washed away flimsy homes on eroded slopes in the slums of the capital, Port-au-Prince.

Terrified people like Dorvilier, who was alone in his house at the time, fled in the early morning darkness as floodwaters poured into their homes. Some spent the night huddled on their rooftops in the downpour.

President Jean-Bertrand Aristide flew over

his battered nation in a U.S. military helicopter Monday to survey the damage.

Haitian authorities appealed for cooperation in the cleanup.

Michel said Haiti, emerging from three years of military rule, had already been unstable: "With Tropical Storm Gordon, we have another emergency on top of it."

U.S. Ambassador William Swing said Americans were ferrying relief supplies to outlying areas and assisting international relief agencies.

"Obviously we will do what we can to help the Haitian government," said Col. Barry Willey, a U.S. military spokesman. The United States also planned to ship food and supplies from a disaster relief warehouse in Panama.

There were no reports of casualties among the approximately 12,000 U.S. troops still remaining in this Caribbean nation to help restore Aristide's elected government. Aristide, who was ousted in a 1991 coup, returned Oct. 15.

At the height of the storm, U.S. soldiers diverted traffic from unsafe bridges and cleared roads.

"We need these roads as bad as they do," said Sgt. Tom Atkins, 29, of Lexington, Ky., whose Humvee was buried by piles of mud and rubble.

Aid officials said the main highway from Port-au-Prince to Jacmel was cut off and shaky bridges north of the capital prevented trucks from the American humanitarian agency CARE from traveling to the group's main warehouse in Gonaives, north of Port-au-Prince.

"As if we needed a little more punishment in Haiti," groaned Phil Gelman, project manager for CARE's emergency food program, which feeds 300,000 Haitians.

U.S. Army meteorologists said 9 inches of rain fell in Port-au-Prince during the 24-hour period ending Monday morning and 14 inches fell in Les Cayes on the southern peninsula.

The deluge killed at least 40 people in Port-au-Prince, the Haitian Press Agency said. Radio Metropole said 40 people were killed in Jacmel, and dozens more were missing. Radio station Signal FM said 20 people were killed in Leogane, 40 miles west of Port-au-Prince.

Economic woes force Cubans to eat felines

PUERTO RICO (AP) — Cuba's economic crisis is so severe that people are reduced to eating cats, the leader of a Cuban animal protection agency says.

"You won't see cats in gardens and is very hard to find stray cats roaming the streets because people are hunting them for human consumption," Nora Garcia, head of the private Cuban Association for the Protection of Animals, said Monday.

"The few cats that are left must be placed in cages or locked up inside homes."

The cat shortage has led to proliferation of rats in the capital city of Havana, causing health problems, Garcia added.

Garcia did not say when cat-eating took off, but travelers to Cuba say it has emerged within the past year or so.

In recent years meat consumption in Cuba has been infrequent among most citizens, who rely on a tight government rationing system for food. Many Cubans depend on small gardens to try to supplement their bland, potato-based diet.

Helmut Kohl pushes for further unity

BONN, Germany (AP) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl promised to keep pushing for German and European unity after parliament narrowly voted Tuesday to give him another term in office.

Kohl needed 337 votes in the Bundestag, the lower house of parliament, to confirm his victory in the Oct. 16 federal elections. He squeaked by with 338.

The 64-year-old conservative, who has survived countless political scrapes since becoming chancellor in 1982, was sworn in for a fourth term by President Roman Herzog.

Three of the 341 legislators from the governing coalition voted against Kohl. But he said the narrowness of his victory wouldn't get in the way of his mission to expand European unity and further the unification of Germany.

"I want to complete the material and spiritual unity of Germany ... a unity that is not a simple annexation of East Germany but the creation of something new," said Kohl, to reporters after the vote.

He said he also wants "to keep the German train on the track to Europe, so that no one in the future can derail the locomotive and return to the old nationalist thinking."

The close vote signaled the frailty of Kohl's three-party coalition. To secure his election, Kohl had to water down parts of a 49-page government blueprint he issued Monday.

His paper-thin majority in the Bundestag is compounded by opposition control of the upper house. Kohl won't be able to ram through his domestic program, which includes cutting government red tape, trimming welfare and funding high technology.

Measures to fight crime and integrate immigrants were weakened by disputes among coalition partners. They also disagreed over how long to keep a new 7.5 percent "solidarity tax" to rebuild former East Germany.

The pro-business Free Democrats think the tax, to be paid by only West Germans, will slow the economy by reducing disposable income.

Finance Minister Theo Waigel, of the Christian Social Union, has said the tax is indispensable to bolster recovery and diminish the appeal of the former East German communists, who won 19 percent of the eastern vote last month.

In a compromise, the tax will be reviewed each year.

Kohl's victory was the narrowest since Social Democrat Helmut Schmidt won also by one vote in 1976.

If Kohl holds power for at least two years, he will pass Konrad Adenauer's 14-year record and become Germany's longest-serving chancellor since Otto von Bismarck, who held power from 1871 to 1890.

Greed motivates increase of serious crimes in Russia

MOSCOW (AP) — The Russian criminal is increasingly likely to kill, motivated mainly by greed and as often as not will never get caught, an Interior Ministry said Tuesday.

Police Col. Anatoly Davydov said the abundance of money and other assets in private hands ensures crime will remain a major problem in post-Soviet Russia.

"Money leads to crime — evil is where money is," said Davydov, deputy head of the ministry's criminal investigations department.

The numbers of murders in the first 10 months of 1994 rose 10.2 percent compared to the same period last year.

Sixty-five percent of all crimes this year have been motivated by greed, he said — a

reversal of the mid-'80s when the Soviet state controlled the nation's wealth and personal enmity was the leading motive.

"I remember we had just 189 murders in the whole of Moscow in '84, and now we've had more than 1,500 and the year has not even ended," said Viktor Golovin, deputy chief of criminal investigations in Moscow.

Report says Palestinians, Israel should separate

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israel should seek a complete separation from the Palestinians and even pay them to stay away from jobs in its territory, a think-tank director said Tuesday.

"Closing all of the territories is the only solution to achieving security," Joseph Alpher of Tel Aviv University's Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies said in releasing the center's annual report on strategic developments in the region.

Nearly 2 million Palestinians live in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. While Gaza became autonomous in May, most of the West Bank remains under military occupation.

The 1994 report comes at a time of rapid changes. Israel signed a peace treaty with Jordan last month and is negotiating with the PLO over extending Palestinian autonomy in the West Bank.

The report concluded that peace talks with Syria will continue to be deadlocked over Syria's demand that Israel return the entire Golan Heights, which it captured in 1967.

Alpher said support for Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's peace moves is being sapped by terrorist attacks carried out by Palestinians from the territories.

In the most recent, Friday in the Gaza Strip, a bicyclist blew himself up, killing three Israeli soldiers.

Israel sealed off the territories last month. The closure, which kept about 60,000 Palestinians from their jobs in Israel, has since been partly relaxed.

Alpher said Israel should give the impoverished Palestinians financial aid equal to their income from work in Israel.

"Palestinians earned \$1 billion working in Israel this year and it would be worth it for Israel to pay them to stay home and not work," Alpher said.

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