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Battered Florida tries to assess scope of Irma's destruction

MIAMI — Aid rushed in to hurricane-scarred Florida early Tuesday, residents began to dig out, and officials slowly pieced together the scope of Irma's vicious path of destruction across the peninsula.

Even as glimmers of hope emerged from parts of the state forecasters once worried would be razed by the storm, the fate of the Florida Keys, where Irma rumbled through with Category 4 muscle, remained largely a question mark. Communication and access were cut and authorities dangled only vague assessments of ruinous impact.

"It's devastating," Florida Gov. Rick Scott said after emerging from a Monday fly-over of the Keys.

A Navy aircraft carrier was due to anchor off Key West to help in search-and-rescue efforts. Drinking water supplies in the Keys were cut off, fuel was running low and all three hospitals in the island chain were shuttered. The governor described overturned mobile homes, washed-ashore boats and rampant flood damage.

A stunning 13 million people, two-thirds of the third-largest state's residents, plodded on in the tropical heat without electricity, and nearly every corner of Florida felt Irma's power. In a parting blow to the state before pushing on to Georgia and beyond, the storm caused record flooding in and around Jacksonville, causing untold damage and prompting dozens of rescues. It also spread misery into Georgia and South Carolina as it moved inland with winds at 50 mph, causing flooding and power outages.

St. Martin's residents struggle with desperate conditions

PHILIPSBURG, St. Martin — Dominga Tejera picked her way around fallen palm trees rotting in mud as she returned home after a nine-hour workday as a hospital janitor on a Caribbean island that until recently seemed like paradise.

She collapsed into a small plastic chair that has served as a makeshift bed since Hurricane Irma ripped the roof from her home as it pummeled St. Martin as a Category 5 storm.

"It's sad when you come home to this," she said as she began to cry. "You try to stay strong in public, but once inside, you break."

Hundreds of people across an island shared by Dutch St. Martin and French St. Martin are trying to rebuild the lives they had before the hurricane hit, celebrating little things like a rare evening breeze that clears the stifling air amid a widespread power outage and laughing as a radio announcer cheerfully announces, "The dentist is open!"

But many like Tejera are struggling to maintain a semblance of the life they had before Irma as they fight off hunger and thirst.

Oil will keep flowing, but UN sanctions hit Pyongyang hard

TOKYO — North Korea will be feeling the pain of new United Nations sanctions targeting some of its biggest remaining foreign revenue streams. But the Security Council eased off the biggest target of all: the oil the North needs to stay alive, and to fuel its million-man military.

Though the United States had proposed a complete ban, the sanctions by the U.N. Security Council to punish North Korea for its sixth nuclear test cap Pyongyang's annual imports of crude oil at the same level they have been for the past 12 months: an estimated 4 million barrels. Exports of North Korean textiles are prohibited, and other nations are barred from authorizing new work permits for North Korean workers, putting a squeeze on two key sources of hard currency.

The measures were approved unanimously Monday.

The measures to punish Pyongyang for its Sept. 3 nuclear test also ban the country from importing natural gas liquids and condensates, and limit the import of refined petroleum products to 2 million barrels a year.

That could be a significant restriction.

Bangladesh slams Myanmar for 'atrocities' against Rohingya

COX'S BAZAR, Bangladesh — The Bangladeshi prime minister was traveling Tuesday to struggling refugee camps that have absorbed hundreds of thousands of Rohingya fleeing violence in Myanmar in recent weeks — a crisis she said left her speechless.

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina lambasted Myanmar for "atrocities" that she said had reached a level beyond description.

"I have no words to condemn Myanmar," she told lawmakers Monday night, noting that Bangladesh had long been protest-



AP Photo/David Goldman

Jean Chatelier walks through a flooded street from Hurricane Irma after retrieving his uniform from his house to return to work Tuesday at a supermarket in Fort Myers, Fla.

ing the persecution of Rohingya Muslims in Buddhist-majority Myanmar.

Regardless, "they are sending Rohingya to Bangladesh afresh," she said, as more continued to stream across the border. "Women are being raped and tortured, children are being killed, and houses are being set on fire" in Myanmar's Rakhine state.

At least 313,000 Rohingya have arrived since Aug. 25, when Rohingya insurgents attacked police posts, prompting Myanmar's military to retaliate with what it called "clearance operations" to root out the rebels.

Russia says Syria government controls 85 percent of country

HEMEIMEEM AIR BASE, Syria — Russia's military said Tuesday that Syrian troops have liberated about 85 percent of the war-torn country's territory from militants, a major turn-around two years after Moscow intervened to land a hand to its embattled long-time ally.

Russia has been providing air cover for President Bashar Assad's troops since 2015, changing the tide of the war and giving Syrian and allied troops an advantage over opposition fighters and Islamic State group militants.

Speaking to reporters at the Hemeimeem air base in Syria's province of Latakia, Lt. Gen. Alexander Lapin said Syrian government still must clear the remaining 15 percent, approximately 10,425 square miles, from the extremists.

Syrian troops, along with strong support from Iranian-backed ground fighters, have in recent weeks pushed IS militants out of central Homs province, near the border with Lebanon, and are now fighting them in the oil-rich Deir el-Zour province in the east.

Russian air power has been instrumental in recent successes of the Syrian military. With Damascus facing major battlefield defeats, Moscow signed a deal with the Syrian government in August 2015 to deploy an air force contingent and other military assets at the Hemeimeem base, in the heartland of Assad's Alawite religious minority.

Mexico diplomat talks immigration in California trip

LOS ANGELES — After a day huddling in California's capital on immigration, trade and climate, Mexico's top diplomat is hitting Los Angeles to close out a two-day visit to the immigrant-friendly state.

Mexico Foreign Relations Secretary Luis Videgaray's trip to California comes at a critical time in relations between his country and the United States and amid uncertainty over the future of a program that protects roughly 800,000 young immigrants who are living in the United States from deportation.

In Los Angeles, Videgaray will announce support for those young immigrants — hundreds of thousands of whom are Mexican. He'll also meet with community and business leaders and tout a program providing immigrant mental health services. He travels to Washington on Wednesday, where he plans to implore members of Congress to continue the program that President Donald Trump says will be terminated in six months if lawmakers do not act.

"We strongly hope the U.S. Congress will act promptly to provide certainty and a permanent solution to these young people that want to stay in America," he said Monday in Sacramento before meeting with about 25 participants in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program.

Mexico last week announced plans to create a special job bank for those affected and support their educations. The country will also assist them with legal aid, Videgaray said.

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report issued in May, the first where a marijuana-specific forecast was included. "While Oregon has now collected just over a year's worth of taxes, there have been substantial changes during this time that complicate any analysis."

For one thing, there have been policy and regulatory changes on the state level. Back in July 2015, when those 21 and older could first purchase marijuana legally in Oregon without a medical marijuana card, marijuana was initially taxed at a 25 percent rate.

There are also significant "upside and downside risks" when it comes to recreational marijuana, state economists say — meaning that the predictions economists make could greatly exceed or fall below expectations.

Among the downside risks: regulatory "changes" or "bottlenecks" that could prevent companies from being able to get licensed or get their products tested quickly.

Sales prices could also fall sharply. Prices have fallen about 20 percent annually since legalization in Colorado and Washington state, state economists say. And since recreational marijuana taxes are based on sales price, that could affect state revenues as well.

One risk that can be hard to assess: the chance that the federal government may change its policy toward recreational marijuana and either halt or curtail the business in states that have legalized the drug.

On the other hand, sales could increase if marijuana use becomes more conventional or "gains broader social acceptance," and the state's seed-to-sale tracking system could reduce black market sales.

And then there are the little things.

Classification

For example, the North American Industry Classification System, which the U.S., Canada and Mexico use to classify businesses so they can track economic data, has yet to catch up with the legal cannabis industry.

Beau Whitney, an Oregon-based economist and business consultant who has studied the recreational marijuana industry, says that he has petitioned Canada and Mexico — which have legalized medical marijuana on the federal level — to create a code that corresponds to marijuana.

State economist Josh Lehner says that his office — the Oregon Office of Economic Analysis — consults with

state agencies, such as the liquor control commission and the revenue department, as well as private businesses, to get a sense of where things may be headed.

Whitney said that's a smart move.

"There's just not a whole lot of historic data to draw upon, so they really need people in the industry to help them out, to let them know where the movement in the market is, what the consumption patterns are and all that," Whitney said.

Meanwhile, the state's employment department is still trying to get a better sense of just how many people work in legal cannabis outfits, whether that's tending to plants or making extracts.

Jobs estimate

Brian Rooney, a regional economist with the Oregon Employment Department, says that in order to estimate cannabis employment, one can start with a broad range.

For the lower bound of the range, state employment economists can use information that businesses are required to report, per unemployment insurance law, to the government.

Using that data and industry classification recommendations from the U.S. Department of Labor, state employment economists believe that in Oregon, the lower bound for legal marijuana employment is about 3,500 people as of late May.

On the higher bound of the range, the employment department uses the number of people with active permits from the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to work with marijuana, which as of late May numbered about 12,000. It's likely that not everyone who currently has a permit is working in the industry.

The employment department has also created its own database of Oregon companies that are known to be marijuana-related.

Since Oregon's economy is about 60 percent the size of Washington's, which recently estimated that about 11,000 people are employed in that state's legal cannabis industry, about 7,000 to 8,000 people might be a reasonable but rough estimate of how many people work in the legal industry in Oregon, Rooney says.

The average wage in the legal cannabis industry in late 2016 was about \$25,340, according to the employment department.

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CITY OF ASTORIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 5:15 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers, 1095 Duane Street, Astoria.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider the following request(s):

1. Exterior Alteration EX17-07 by Rickenbach Construction, Inc. to add 392 square foot addition for cooler storage on the south façade and awning over existing seating area on the south façade at #1 8th Street in the A-2, Aquatic Two Development zone.
2. Exterior Alteration EX17-08 by Jim Forrester to replace wood around storefront windows, adding river rock to kick plate, rebuilding transom windows at 155 11th St and 119 11th St in the S-2A, Tourist Oriented Shorelands zone.
3. Exterior Alteration EX17-09 by Ron and Muriel Jensen to add a vertical lift to the side of the front porch on the front façade of existing single family dwelling at 659 15th Street in the R-3, High Density Residential zone.
4. New Construction NC17-05 by Brian And Terri Oksen, for new construction of a 2,079 square foot single family dwelling and a 338 square foot garage adjacent to historic structures at 910 Grand Ave in the R-3, High Density Residential zone.

For information, call or write the Community Development Department, 1095 Duane St., Astoria OR 97103, phone 503-338-5183.

The location of the hearing is accessible to the disabled. An interpreter for the hearing impaired may be requested under the terms of ORS 192.630 by contacting the Community Development Department at 503-338-5183 48 hours before the meeting.

The Historic Landmarks Commission reserves the right to modify the proposal or to continue the hearing to another date and time. If the hearing is continued, no further public notice will be provided.

THE CITY OF ASTORIA
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Trustee's Notice of Sale

TS No. OR08000166-16- 1-FT APN1 28038 012 80930CC 04500 TO No 8686605 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, HARRY JOHNS + JEANNE TUCKER, as Grantor to U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Trustee, in favor of U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Beneficiary dated as of March 22, 2005 and recorded on April 26, 2005 as Instrument No. 200504834 and re-recorded on June 15, 2005 as Instrument No. 200506829 and re-recorded March 22, 2017 Instrument No 201702204 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Clatsop County, Oregon to-wit: APN: 28038 0112 80930CC 04500 PARCEL NO. 1: BLOCK 122, JEFFERS GARDENS, RECORDED AUGUST 14, 1924 IN BOOK 8 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, EXCEPT THE NORTH HALF THEREOF CONVEYED TO F.O. TAYLOR AND WIFE BY DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 135 AT PAGE 11, DEED RECORDS, IN THE COUNTY OF CLATSOP, STATE OF OREGON. PARCEL NO. 2: BLOCK 120, JEFFERS GARDENS, RECORDED AUGUST 14, 1924 IN BOOK 8 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, EXCEPT THE NORTHERLY 208.5 FEET OF SAID BLOCK CONVEYED TO ANNA MARIE KUIVALS AND HUSBAND BY DEED RECORDED IN BOOK 184 AT PAGE 485 DEED RECORDS, IN THE COUNTY OF CLATSOP AND STATE OF OREGON; AND BLOCK 121, JEFFERS GARDENS, RECORDED AUGUST 14, 1924 IN BOOK 8 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON. EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TRACT: THAT PORTION OF BLOCK 121, JEFFERS GARDENS, RECORDED AUGUST 14, 1924 IN BOOK 8 OF PLATS, PAGE 37, CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID BLOCK 121; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID BLOCK, A DISTANCE OF 225.5 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID BLOCK TO A POINT 188 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID BLOCK; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID BLOCK A DISTANCE OF 188 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY LINE OF SAID BLOCK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT OF EVEN WIDTH FOR THE BENEFIT OF PARCEL 1 AND 2 OVER AND ACROSS THE EASTERLY 12 FEET OF BLOCK 121. NOTE: THIS LEGAL DESCRIPTION WAS CREATED PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2008. Commonly known as: 35198 ORCHARD LN, ASTORIA, OR 97103 Both the Beneficiary, U.S. Bank National Association, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.735(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly Payment(s): 12 Monthly Payment(s) from 01/01/2015 to 12/01/2015 at \$1,205.46 2 Monthly Payment(s) from 01/01/2016 to 02/01/2016 at \$787.65 12 Monthly Payment(s) from 03/01/2016 to 02/01/2017 at \$790.51 6 Monthly Payment(s) from 03/01/2017 to 08/01/2017 at \$1,095.13 Monthly Late Charge(s): 08/09/2017 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$55,204.96 together with interest thereon at the rate of 6.29000% per annum from January 9, 2015 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the undersigned Trustee will on December 27, 2017 at the hour of 01:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Front Entrance, Clatsop County Courthouse, 749 Commercial Street, Astoria, OR 97103 County of Clatsop, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.753 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: By: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252- 8300 FOR SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 Website for Trustee's Sale Information: www.Auction.com ISL Number 33911, Pub Dates: 09/05/2017, 09/12/2017, 09/19/2017, 09/26/2017, THE DAILY ASTORIAN.
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