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RIVERINE FLOOD ALERT!

The Trinidad and Tobago Meteorological Service is issuing a riverine flood alert for Trinidad, as a result of the recent rainfall activity associated with the passage of Tropical Storm Bret over the last 12-18 hours. As oppose to Street and Flash Flooding, Riverine Flooding is more prolonged and widespread.

Data from the Water Resources Agency indicate that water levels in the nation's major rivers are approaching threshold levels as a result of expected run-off from the current rainfall event. Although water levels in the primary Caroni River remain contained at this time, it is nevertheless threateningly high.

Further rainfall activity is expected over the next 5 to 8 hours with anticipated rainfall accumulations of 20-30 millimetres.

Given the additional rainfall predicted for Trinidad and Tobago and the occurrence of high tides at 1:05 pm today, the possibility of river overtopping is real and imminent.

Citizens in general, and those residing in the Caroni River Basin in particular, are asked to be on the alert for rising river levels and possible overspill. All necessary measures **MUST** be taken to preserve life and property.

WE STRONGLY UNDERScore THAT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO IS NOT UNDER ANY TROPICAL STORM THREAT, WATCH OR WARNING AT THIS TIME.

The Trinidad and Tobago Meteorological Service is closely monitoring weather conditions and will issue another bulletin at 6:00 pm today or sooner if warranted.

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