## <u>Tropical cyclone warnings of Signal No. 8 or above issued by the Observatory during the passage of Wanda in August and September 1962</u>

Local Storm Warning issued at 10:45 p.m. on 31 August 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* was hoisted at 10:50 p.m., which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At 10 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.1 degrees north, 116.4 degrees east, that is about 145 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

Winds of 95 knots have been reported near the centre.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to the south of Hong Kong late tomorrow morning.

Local Storm Warning issued at 11:30 p.m. on 31 August 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* was hoisted at 10:50 p.m., which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At 11 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.1 degrees north, 116.1 degrees east, that is about 135 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

Winds of 95 knots have been reported near the centre.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to the south of Hong Kong late tomorrow morning.

Local Storm Warning issued at 12:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At midnight, Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.3 degrees north, 116.0 degrees east, that is about 125 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 10 knots.

Winds of 95 knots have been reported near the centre.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to Hong Kong late tomorrow morning.

Local Storm Warning issued at 1:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At 1 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.4 degrees north, 115.9 degrees east, that is about 115 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

Winds of 95 knots have been reported near the centre.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to Hong Kong towards noon.

Local Storm Warning issued at 2:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At 2 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.4 degrees north, 115.7 degrees east, that is about 105 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to Hong Kong towards noon.

Local Storm Warning issued at 3:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.7\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the northeast quarter.

At 3 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.6 degrees north, 115.5 degrees east, that is about 90 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

If it continues on its present track, it will pass close to Hong Kong towards noon.

Local Storm Warning issued at 4:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.9 was hoisted at 4:15 a.m., which means that gales are expected to increase.

At 4 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.7 degrees north, 115.3 degrees east, that is about 75 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

It will pass close to Hong Kong about 10 or 11 a.m.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 35 to 40 knots from the northwest. Gusts of 58 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 5:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.9 is still hoisted, which means that gales are expected to increase.

At 5 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.8 degrees north, 115.1 degrees east, that is about 65 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

It will pass close to Hong Kong about 10 or 11 a.m.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 35 to 40 knots. Gusts of 61 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 6:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 was hoisted at 6:15 a.m., which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected from any direction as the centre passes over or near to the Colony.

At 6 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 21.9 degrees north, 115.1 degrees east, that is about 54 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest or northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

It will pass close to Hong Kong about 10 or 11 a.m.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 35 to 40 knots. Gusts of 64 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 7:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected from any direction as the centre passes over or near to the Colony.

At 7 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.0 degrees north, 115.0 degrees east, that is about 48 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest or northwest at 10 to 12 knots.

It will pass very close to Hong Kong about 10 or 11 a.m.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 45 to 50 knots. Gusts of 70 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory and 96 knots at Tate's Cairn.

Local Storm Warning issued at 8:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected from any direction as the centre passes over or near to the Colony.

At 8 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.4 degrees north, 114.8 degrees east, that is about 36 miles east-southeast of Hong Kong and was moving west-northwest at 12 knots.

It will pass over Hong Kong about 10 or 11 a.m.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 55 to 60 knots. Gusts of 90 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory and over 120 knots at other places in the Colony.

Local Storm Warning issued at 9:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected from any direction as the centre passes over or near to the Colony.

At 9 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.2 degrees north, 114.4 degrees east, that is over the eastern waters of the Colony and was moving northwest at about 12 knots.

It will continue moving across the Colony during the next few hours.

Typhoon force winds are blowing over most of Hong Kong. Gusts of 116 knots have been recorded at Waglan Island and 141 knots at Tate's Cairn. 3.98 inches of rainfall have been recorded at the Observatory since yesterday when the rain commenced.

Local Storm Warning issued at 10:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected from any direction as the centre passes over or near to the Colony.

At 10 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred over the southeastern waters of the Colony and was moving west-northwest at 12 knots.

Winds over the Colony are averaging 70 to 75 knots. Gusts of 140 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 11:30 a.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected to continue.

At 11 a.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred over the southern waters of the Colony and was moving west-northwest at 12 knots.

Winds over many parts of the Colony are still averaging 60 knots. Gusts of 140 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 12:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected to continue.

At noon, Typhoon Wanda was centred over the extreme southwest part of the Colony. The eye of the typhoon was close to Cheung Chau at 11:30 a.m. It is moving west or west-northwest at about 12 knots.

Typhoon winds are still blowing over parts of the Colony. Gusts of 140 knots have been recorded at the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 1:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.10 is still hoisted, which means that typhoon winds with mean speed 64 knots or more are expected to continue over parts of the Colony.

At 1 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred close to Lantau and was moving west or west-northwest at 12 knots.

Typhoon winds are still blowing over parts of the Colony. Gusts of up to 100 knots are still being reported.

Local Storm Warning issued at 2:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.6\* was hoisted at 2:15 p.m., which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the southwest quarter.

At 2 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred to the west of Lantau Island and was moving west or west-northwest at 10 knots.

The typhoon is now moving away from the Colony but gale force south or southwesterly winds are expected to continue for some hours.

Gusts of over 80 knots are still being reported from many places. 5.45 inches of rainfall have been recorded at the Observatory since yesterday when the rain commenced.

Local Storm Warning issued at 3:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.6\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the southwest quarter.

At 3 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.3 degrees north, 113.6 degrees east, that is about 35 miles west of Hong Kong and was moving away to the west at 10 knots.

Gale or storm force south or southwesterly winds with gusts to above 80 knots are expected to continue for some hours.

Local Storm Warning issued at 4:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.6\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are expected from the southwest quarter.

At 4 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred to the north Macao, about 40 miles west of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 10 knots.

Winds over the Colony are still averaging 50 knots with frequent gusts to above 80 knots. 5.70 inches of rainfall have been recorded at the Observatory since yesterday when the rain commenced.

Local Storm Warning issued at 5:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.6\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are still continuing from the southwest quarter.

At 5 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.5 degrees north, 113.4 degrees east, that is about 45 miles west of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 8 knots.

Winds over the Colony are beginning to decrease but there are still frequent gusts of above 60 knots. 5.81 inches of rainfall have now been recorded at the Observatory.

Local Storm Warning issued at 6:20 p.m. on 1 September 1962 by the Royal Observatory.

Local Storm Warning Signal No.6\* is still hoisted, which means that gales or storm force winds with mean speed 34 knots or more are still continuing over parts of the Colony.

At 6 p.m., Typhoon Wanda was centred near 22.5 degrees north, 113.3 degrees east, that is about 50 miles west of Hong Kong and was moving west or west-northwest at 8 knots.

Winds over the Colony continue to decrease but are still of gale force in many places with gusts of 50 to 60 knots.

Note: The Hong Kong Observatory was known as the Royal Observatory, Hong Kong during the period from July 1912 to 30 June 1997.

\* Starting from 1 January 1973, signals 5 to 8 were replaced by 8 NW, 8 SW, 8 NE and 8 SE respectively.