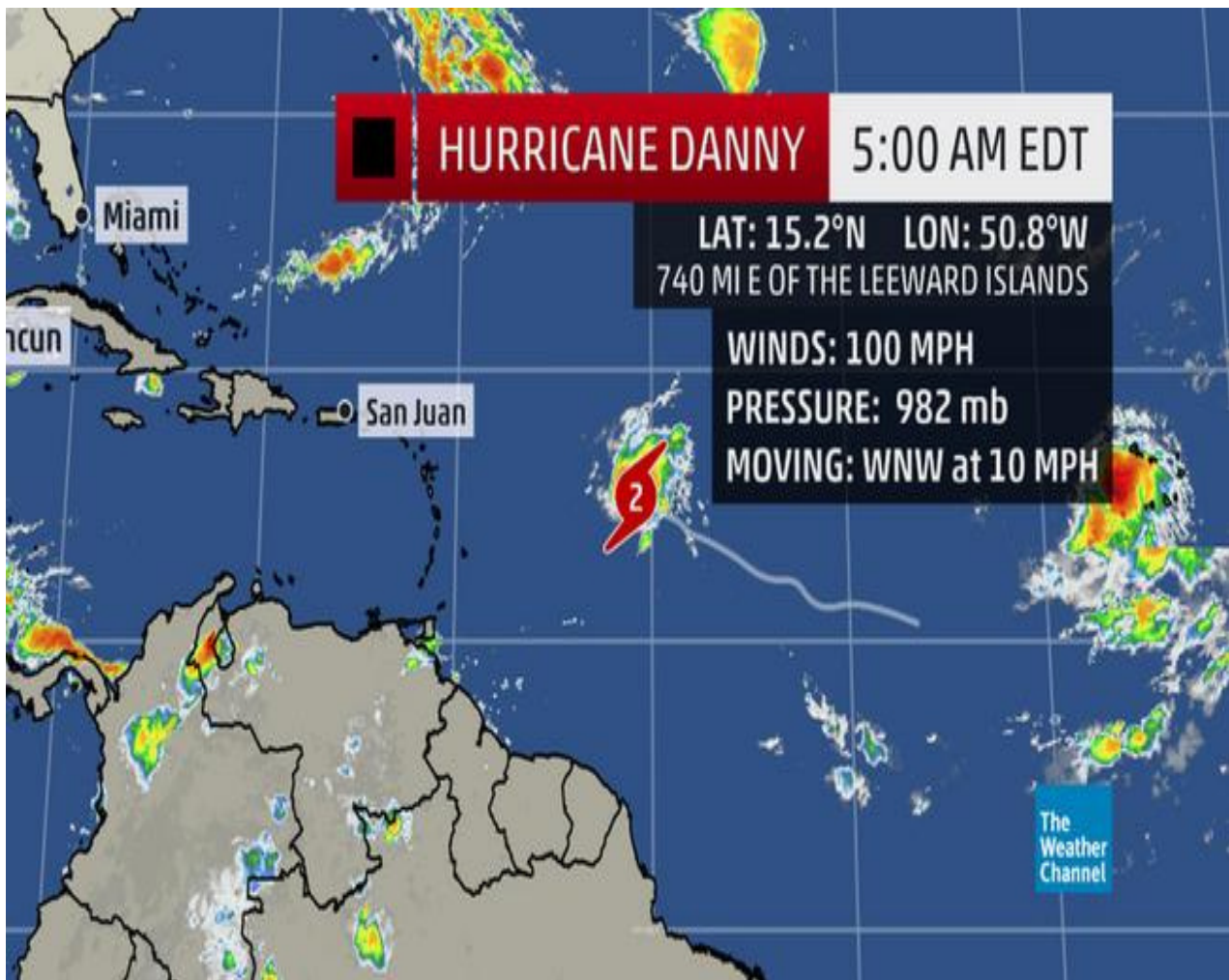


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Danny Continues To Lose Strength; Will Arrive To Territory As Tropical Storm

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Hurricane Danny has continued to lose momentum after peaking at a category 3 hurricane packing 115 miles per hour winds. It has now decreased to 100 miles per hour, and is expected to arrive in the territory as a tropical storm, according to VITEMA's latest press release.

At 5 a.m. today, the center of Hurricane Danny was located near latitude 15.2 degrees north, longitude 50.8 degrees west. Danny is moving toward the west-northwest near 10 miles per hour. A turn to the west with an increase in forward speed is expected later today.

Danny is expected to become a tropical storm on Sunday as it approaches the Leeward Islands. Strong southwesterly winds aloft and a stable air mass are expected to cause Danny to continue losing strength during the next several days.

Hurricane force winds extend outward up to 15 miles from the center, and tropical storm force winds extend outward up to 60 miles.

The National Hurricane Center is advising the Leeward Islands and the Virgin Islands to closely monitor the progress of Danny. The Tropical storm watches may be required for portions of the Leeward Islands and the Virgin Islands today. Danny is forecasted to make its closest approach to the Virgin Islands at about 2 a.m. on Tuesday as a tropical storm with sustained winds of 50 to 55 miles per hour.

There are no coastal watches or warnings currently in effect.

VITEMA joins the National Weather Service in advising the marine community to remain vigilant to the evolution of Tropical Cyclone Danny. Marine conditions may rapidly deteriorate as Danny makes it approach to the Territory.

VITEMA Director Mona Barnes is urging the public to make final preparations for the arrival of storm weather conditions early Tuesday morning and to stay informed by monitoring weather reports via local radio and television or the NOAA weather radio.

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