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## SOUTH PACIFIC TROPICAL CYCLONE ADVISE #8 FOR TONGA

**Issue Time: 03:00am Thursday 09<sup>th</sup> April 2020.**

**Next Issue: 2:00am Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2020.**

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### **ADVISE SUMMARY:**

Severe Tropical Cyclone (TC) "Harold" (Category 4) was located near latitude 20.5 South and Longitude 178.0 West, or about 300km West Northwest of Nuku'alofa, 335km West Northwest of 'Eua, 280km Northwest of 'Ata at about 01:00am local time this morning. The cyclone has average winds of 100 knots (200km/hr) near its center and is moving East-Southeast at a speed of 24 knots (48km/hr). On its current forecast track, TC Harold is expected to affect, especially Tongatapu and 'Eua this morning Thursday (9<sup>th</sup> April 2020).

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## **Severe Tropical Cyclone "Harold" (Cat 4)** **Severe Tropical Cyclone Harold Forecast Track Map**

Severe Tropical Cyclone Harold Track Map: Number 14.  
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