

## Lead Project Scientist

### Preflight

- TASKED*
- ☒ 1. Participate in general mission briefing.
  - ☒ 2. Determine specific mission and flight requirements for assigned aircraft.
  - ☒ 3. Determine from field program director whether aircraft has operational fix responsibility and discuss with AOC flight director/meteorologist unless briefed otherwise by field program director.
  - ☐ 4. Contact HRD members of crew to:
    - a. Assure availability for mission.
    - b. Review field program safety checklist
    - c. Arrange ground transportation schedule when deployed.
    - d. Determine equipment status.
  - ☐ 5. Meet with AOC flight director and navigator at least 3 hours before take-off for initial briefing.
  - ☐ 5. Meet with AOC flight crew at least 2 hours before take-off for crew briefing. Provide copies of flight requirements and provide a formal briefing for the flight director, navigator, and pilots.
  - ☐ 6. Report status of aircraft, systems, necessary on-board supplies and crews to appropriate HRD operations center (MGOC in Miami).
  - ☐ 7. Before take-off, brief the on-board GPS dropsonde operator on times and positions of drop times.
  - ☐ 7. Make sure each HRD flight crew members have life vests
  - ☐ 7. Perform a headset operation check with all HRD flight crew members. Make sure everyone can hear and speak using the headset.
  - ☐ 8. Collect "mess" fee (\$2.00) from all on-board HRD flight crew members.

### In-Flight

- ☐ 1. Confirm from AOC flight director that satellite data link is operative (information).
- ☐ 2. Confirm camera mode of operation.
- ☐ 3. Confirm data recording rate.
- ☐ 4. Complete Lead Project Scientist Form.
- ☐ 5. Check in with the flight director to make sure the mission is going as planned (i.e. turns are made when they are supposed to be made).

### Post flight

- ☐ 1. Debrief scientific crew.
- ☐ 2. Report landing time, aircraft, crew, and mission status along with supplies (tapes, etc.) remaining aboard the aircraft to MGOC.
- ☐ 3. Gather completed forms for mission and turn in at the appropriate operations center. [Note: all data removed from the aircraft by HRD personnel should be cleared with the AOC flight director.]
- ☐ 4. Obtain a copy of the 10-s flight listing from the AOC flight director. Turn in with completed forms.
- ☐ 5. Obtain a copy of the radar DAT tapes. Turn in with completed forms.
- ☐ 6. Obtain a copy of the all VHS videos from aircraft cameras (3-4 approx.). Turn in with completed forms.
- ☐ 7. Obtain a copy of CD with all flight data. Turn in with completed forms.
- ☐ 8. Determine next mission status, if any, and brief crews as necessary.
- ☐ 9. Notify MGOC as to where you can be contacted and arrange for any further coordination required.
- ☐ 10. Prepare written mission summary using **Mission Summary** form (due to Field Program Director a week after the flight).

Mission ID

2509A IVAN

## Lead Project Scientist Check List

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Aircraft 43 Flight ID 040912I

## A. Participants:

HRD		AOC	
Function	Participant	Function	Participant
Lead Project Scientist	<u>Gamache / Dodge</u>	Flight Director	<u>TOM SHEPHERD</u>
Radar	<u>GAMACHE</u>	Pilots	<u>R. Tebeest</u> <u>H. Halverson</u>
Workstation	<u>P. Leighton</u>	Navigator	<u>P. Segal, D.</u>
Cloud PhysicsX		Systems Engineer	<u>J. Smith</u>
Photographer/Observer		Data Technician	<u>D. San Souci</u>
/Guests			
Dropwindsonde	<u>Leighton / Dodge</u>	Electronics Technician	<u>T. Lynch</u>
<del>AXBT/AXCP</del> NY Times: J. M. Wilson		Other	<u>J. Dana : Actg DOC Gen Counsel</u> <u>T. Kussinger Ass Secty Comm</u>

## B. Take-off and Landing Locations:

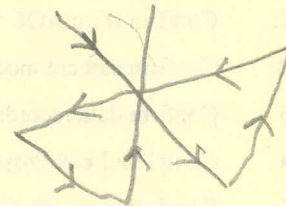
Take-Off: 090030 Location: M<sup>ac</sup> DILLLanding: 1720 Location: "Number of Eye Penetrations: 3

## C. Past and Forecast Storm Locations:

Date/Time	Latitude	Longitude	MSLP	Maximum Wind

D. Mission Briefing: Tasked Mission for NHC to get SFMR winds. Butterfly pattern designed to optimize SRA data in RF Quadrant. 3 drop sequences on inbound eyewall, 1 drop out bound eyewall. Will test UBLOCK sondes on 2<sup>nd</sup> inbound leg.

IP 2123' 8254'



FLIGHT  
J. Klippel  
R. \_\_\_\_\_

040912I ① GIVAN SFMR mission

1016 crossing over CUBA

1028 desc to 8000' as we appr IP

1033 ~~IP~~ at altitude

1041 - turn at IP 25°4 82°80

104246 TS SND #1 SFMR 18 m/s GOOD

~~1102~~ 17.8 m/s SPLASH

18°31' 81°12' TS 1/2 fix

110929 SND H FORCE SFMR

1102 Bouncing in outer RB 34 m/s  
~ 90 min from 9

112011 KT fit level on NW

SPLASH 31.4 m/s

1122:133 KTS in outer wind max

112840 3 sad seg SFMR 48 - I WAS LATE, SFMR  
got up to ~~48~~ 53 m/s

113012 ctr mark 18°42' 81°08' 920 mb (TEAL got 81°30')  
(BUT MAYBE 84°05)

1132 SE eyewall sonde SFMR 51 (got up to 53 m/s)

1138 Outer Eyewall SFMR 47 m/s TEAL 35  
exiting 9

1144 HF sonde BUT IT IS A DUD NLD

1145 sonde SFMR 30 m/s 17.89, 80°54 } HF ~  
SPLASH 30 m/s } 55 nmi SE of 9

1156 TS sonde SE 17.34 80°16 SFMR 17

(Then SFMR winds back up to 20 for ~ 2 min)



0409Z I (2)

1159 17.17 80.01 turn to head up to the next point.

1231 19.49 79.13 in strong band NE 125  
nmi from G and still have 30 m/s SFMR  
Some discuss about JW reading too low - 5 g/kg vs  
(J/G mode expected) 12-3 g/kg

1236 SFMR 17 m/s 142 nmi from G 19.82 78.92  
turn to head back for pass #2

1239 50 NE TS end SFMR 17 m/s 19.81 79.10

1244 14 HF (late) SFMR had 44 - but in  
rain ~~but~~ <sup>so</sup> maybe I got snookered - oh well flt level  
is 69 KTS. ANYWAY we are loitering while J of S  
loads new software into AVAPS. Then we'll do  
UBLOCK SR. (only 3 available)

1301 Bouncing a bit in NE RB's

1305: 111 KT

1307: 3 UBLOCK SNDS in "outer" wind max  
18.97 80.03

1313 ~~the~~ inner eyewall only had ~110 KT flt level -  
so TS was right about outer being stronger

1315 TS G hunting

1316 CTR ~922 mb extrap 18.49' 81.22'

1323 Outer Eyewall SND 18.36' 81.55'

1328 HF <sup>SND</sup> (SFMR 30 m/s) 60 mi SW from eye.

040912 I (3)

134545 SONDE for TS RADIUS SFMR 16 m/s  
17.99' 83.40'  
17.4 m/s SPLASH

Note: JS will use REV E sondes  
on last eyewall passes

135753 turn 17°33' 83°59' to track 136

1412: Paul & Jeff tried a couple of times to retransmit  
UBLOCK snds to whstat but no success.

1415 16°30' 82°25' TURN for S → N leg

1418 TS drop 16.66 ~~8232~~ SFMR 18 m/s

1420: 18°59' 81°30' RADAR  
FIX

144157 HF SND (South) 18.26 81.78 SFMR 34

1446 3 drop seg in outer eyewall (south) 124 KTS  
IF these are good drops they caught the maxima

1452 CTR: 18°56' 81°38' 922

1455 N inner eyewall but I jumped the gun at  
100 KT, flt level went to 113 ... maybe I hit MAX

145959: Outer Eyewall Broad area of flt level > 120 KTS  
SFMR 251 m/s

1505 45 miles N to S SFMR > 40, flt level > 110 KTS

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T/O

151047 HF Snd SFMR 33 m/s FLT LVL 82kt

1535 21.52 80.70 Turn to track 270.

153814 LAST drop SFMR 22 m/s. I decided to go ahead and drop as our track of 270 and Flt level wind dir of 94°, 51 kts might leave us in > TS winds anyway.

1553 turn 21.56, 82.31 to RTB

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LAND at MaeDill:

1720 Land at MaeDill

JUAN 12 H 1

16:00 - 22:00 ?

Ivan 12. trk

40080 }  
41340 } I  
47700 }

52700 AF 14

58800 AF 16:20

65160 AF? 18:06. 9 comp 1 1755 - 1815 ???

72480 } ? 20:08  
300 }

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JUAN 12 ± 1

11:00 - 17:20

Ivan 12. trk

9 1130 comp 1 1118 - 1138

9 1316 comp 2 1304 - 1324

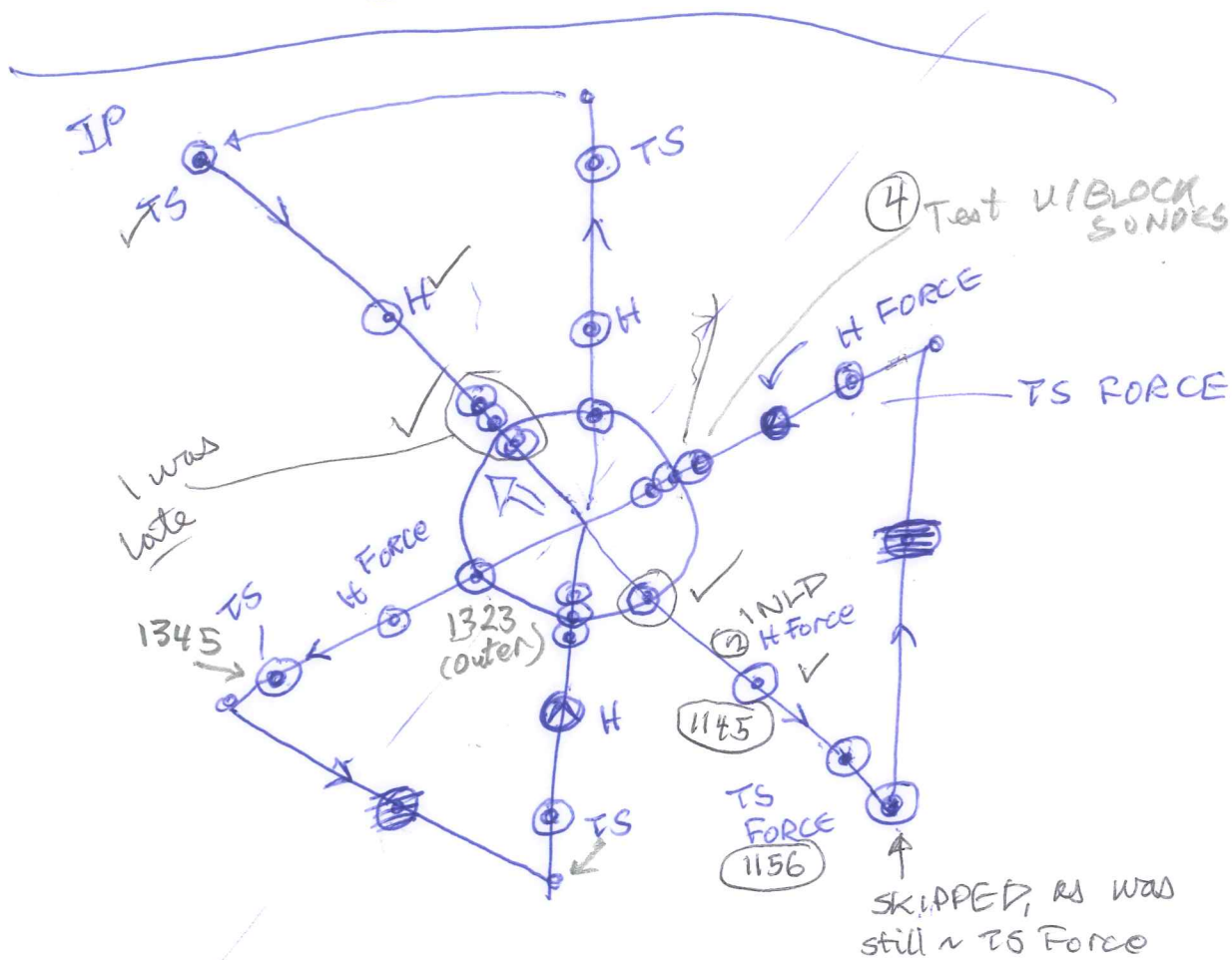
9 1452 comp 3 1440 - 1500

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1015 we are crossing over C33 ~~27~~ m/s H = Hurricane Force  
17 m/s TS = TROPICAL storm Force

CUBA

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