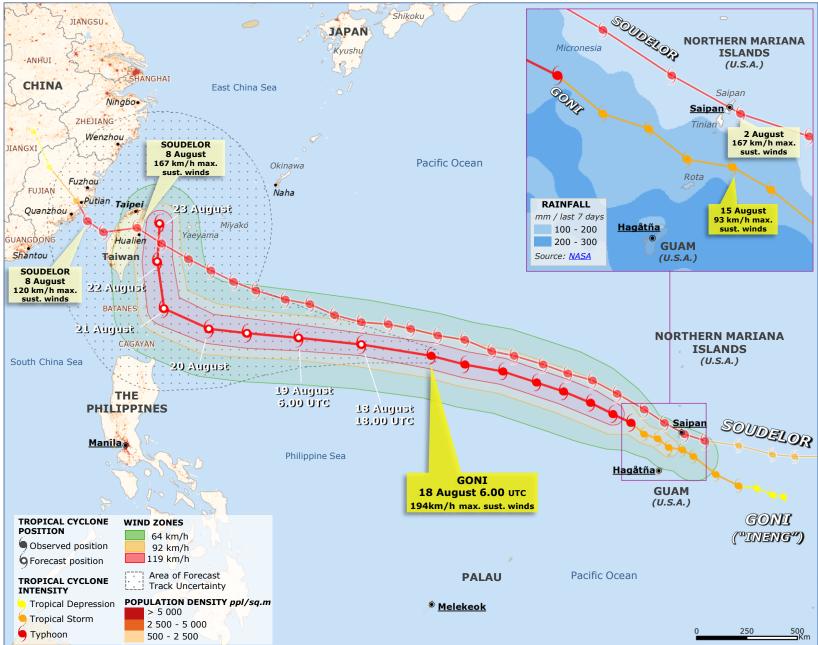
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SITUATION

- "INENG" in the GONI (named Philippines) formed over the northern Pacific Ocean, south-east of Guam, on 14 August. From there, it started moving north-west, intensifying.
- It crossed the Mariana Islands as a Tropical Storm (93-102 km/h maximum sustained winds) on 15 August, passing between the islands of Tinian and Rota, GONI affected the Mariana Islands with strong winds and heavy rainfall. On Guam, 100mm of rain were observed over 15-16 August (24h). As of 17 August, local media reported some flooding in the streets of western Guam, as well as electricity network damage on Rota island.
- GONI subsequently continued moving west-northwest, away from the Mariana Islands, intensifying into a Typhoon. On 18 August, at 6.00 UTC, it was over the Philippine Sea, with its centre located 1 350 km east of the islands of Batanes province in the northern Philippines.
- Over the next 48h, GONI is forecast to continue on its west-northwestern track, initially weakening slightly and then intensifying again. It is expected to approach the islands of Cagayan and Batanes provinces as a strong Typhoon late on 20 August, before possibly turning north, towards eastern Taiwan.
- Heavy rainfall, strong winds and storm surge may affect the land along GONI's path over the next few days.
- A few days earlier, on 8 August, Typhoon SOUDELOR had made landfall in eastern Taiwan and then proceeded towards Fujian province in southeastern China, causing the death of at least 28 people in total, as well as extensive flood and wind damage. SOUDELOR had previously made landfall on Saipan in the Northern Mariana Islands with Typhoon intensity, causing damage mostly to public infrastructure, including the electricity and water supply.

Sources: GDACS (1, 2), JTWC, PAGASA, Taiwan CWB, JMA, CMA, Local Media (1, 2, 3, 4)

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