

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of New York (FEMA-1146-DR), dated November 19, 1996, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 19, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated November 19, 1996, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of New York, resulting from severe storms and flooding on October 19-20, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of New York.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation in the designated areas. Public Assistance may be added at a later date, if warranted. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance or Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Barbara T. Russell of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of New York to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

New York City and Nassau and Suffolk Counties for Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation Assistance.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

James L. Witt,

Director.

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**[FEMA-3124-EM]**

**Puerto Rico; Emergency and Related Determinations**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (FEMA-3124-EM), dated November 21, 1996, and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 21, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated November 21, 1996, the President declared an emergency under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, resulting from a gas leak explosion on November 21, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act"). I, therefore, declare that such an emergency exists in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Specifically, you are authorized to activate and deploy search and rescue teams to respond to this event as authorized under subsection 502(a) of the Stafford Act.

In addition, you are authorized to provide such other forms of emergency assistance as you may deem necessary.

Emergency assistance which you provide pursuant to this declaration will be at 75 percent Federal funding.

The time period prescribed for the implementation of section 310(a), Priority to Certain Applications for Public Facility and Public Housing Assistance, 42 U.S.C. 5153, shall be for a period not to exceed six months after the date of this declaration.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency under Executive Order 12148, I hereby appoint Jose Bravo of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to act

as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to have been affected adversely by this declared emergency:

For activation and deployment of search and rescue teams to respond to the gas leak explosion in San Juan, Puerto Rico, as authorized under Title V, of the Stafford Act, subsection 502(a).

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

James L. Witt,

Director.

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**[FEMA-3123-EM]**

**Rhode Island; Emergency and Related Determinations**

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of Rhode Island (FEMA-3123-EM), dated November 19, 1996 and related determinations.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 19, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated November 19, 1996, the President declared an emergency under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Rhode Island resulting from a major water main break on November 18, 1996, and continuing, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under subsection 501(a) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (the Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such an emergency exists in the State of Rhode Island.

You are authorized to coordinate all disaster relief efforts which have the purpose of alleviating the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population, and to provide appropriate assistance for emergency assistance, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives, protect property and public health and safety, and lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide for and/or restore water service, under emergency assistance as authorized under subsection 502(a).