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MONTHLY WEATHER REPORT

THE WEATHER IN AUGUST 2017

<u>General Weather Conditions</u>: In August the weather was mild. Unstable weather conditions prevailed during the period 4-6, on the 12th and 23rd of the month, giving local showers and isolated thunderstorms over some areas, mainly over mountains, inland and over west-northwest coasts. The mean air temperature was about 0.5° C above normal and the area average precipitation was 2.5mm i.e. 86% of normal.

<u>Abnormal weather Conditions</u>: No abnormal weather condition was recorded or reported during the month.

<u>Precipitation (normal period: 1961-1990):</u> According to preliminary estimates, the area average precipitation in August was 2.5mm i.e. 86% of normal. Monthly precipitation was above normal in the west-northwest coasts and in some mountainous areas, generally ranging from 0% to 9567% of normal.

The cumulative area average precipitation during the period October 2016 - August 2017 was about 411.5mm, i.e. 83% of normal. The cumulative precipitation was below normal almost in all areas, generally ranging from 61% to 108% of normal.

Temperature (normal period: 1981-2010): The mean air temperature for the month was about 0.5° C above normal. Mean daily temperatures were below normal during the period 4-7, on the 11th and during the periods 18-23 and 30-31 of the month, while during the rest of the month they were above or around normal. Heat wave conditions (maximum daily temperature above 40°C) prevailed on the 1st of the month. Maximum temperatures exceeded 37°C at Athalassa on 17 occasions, 33°C at Larnaka Airport on 14 occasions and at Prodromos they exceeded 27°C on 26 occasions. Most stations recorded their highest maximum temperature during the period 1-2 and on the 26th of the month and their lowest minimum temperature on the 21st and 30th of the month.

The 5-day averages of air temperature and their differences from normal at various places are shown in Table 1 and the extreme temperatures are shown in Table 2.

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FIVE-DAY TEMPERATURES AND DEVIATIONS FROM NORMAL (oC) $\label{eq:preliminary} \textbf{PRELIMINARY} \ \ \textbf{DATA}$

Table 1

| MEAN DAILY MAXIMUM | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|------|-----------------|------|---------------|------|-----------|------|------|
| STATION | ATHALASSA | | LARNAKA AIRPORT | | PAFOS AIRPORT | | PRODROMOS | | MEAN |
| DATES | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | DEV. |
| 15 | 38 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 32 | 1 | 30 | 1 | 1 |
| 610 | 37 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 32 | 1 | 28 | -1 | 0 |
| 1115 | 38 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 32 | 1 | 31 | 3 | 1 |
| 1620 | 37 | 0 | 33 | 1 | 32 | 1 | 28 | 0 | 0 |
| 2125 | 36 | -1 | 33 | 0 | 32 | 1 | 28 | 1 | 1 |
| 26-31 | 37 | 1 | 33 | 1 | 31 | 1 | 29 | 2 | 1 |
| MONTH | 37 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 32 | 1 | 29 | 1 | 1 |

| MEAN DAILY MINIMUM | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|------|-----------------|------|---------------|------|-----------|------|------|--|
| STATION | ATHALASSA | | LARNAKA AIRPORT | | PAFOS AIRPORT | | PRODROMOS | | MEAN | |
| DATES | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | ACTUAL | DEV. | DEV. | |
| 15 | 23 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 18 | 0 | 0 | |
| 610 | 23 | 1 | 24 | 1 | 23 | 2 | 17 | -2 | 1 | |
| 1115 | 24 | 2 | 25 | 2 | 23 | 2 | 19 | 0 | 1 | |
| 1620 | 22 | 0 | 23 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 16 | -2 | 0 | |
| 2125 | 23 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 23 | 2 | 16 | -2 | 0 | |
| 26-31 | 22 | 1 | 22 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 16 | -1 | 0 | |
| MONTH | 23 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 22 | 1 | 17 | -1 | 0 | |

Normal Period for Temperature = 1981 - 2010

Table 2

| EXTREME TEMPERATURES | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----------|------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|------|--|--|
| STATION | ATHALASSA | | LARNAKA | AIRPORT | PAFOS A | IRPORT | PRODROMOS | | | |
| TEMPERAT. | (°C) | DATE | (°C) | DATE | (°C) | DATE | (°C) | DATE | | |
| HIGHEST MAXIMUM | 40,6 | 1 | 36,5 | 26 | 33,3 | 26 | 32,6 | 15 | | |
| LOWEST MINIMUM | 19,4 | 30 | 20,2 | 30 | 19,7 | 16 | 13,4 | 21 | | |