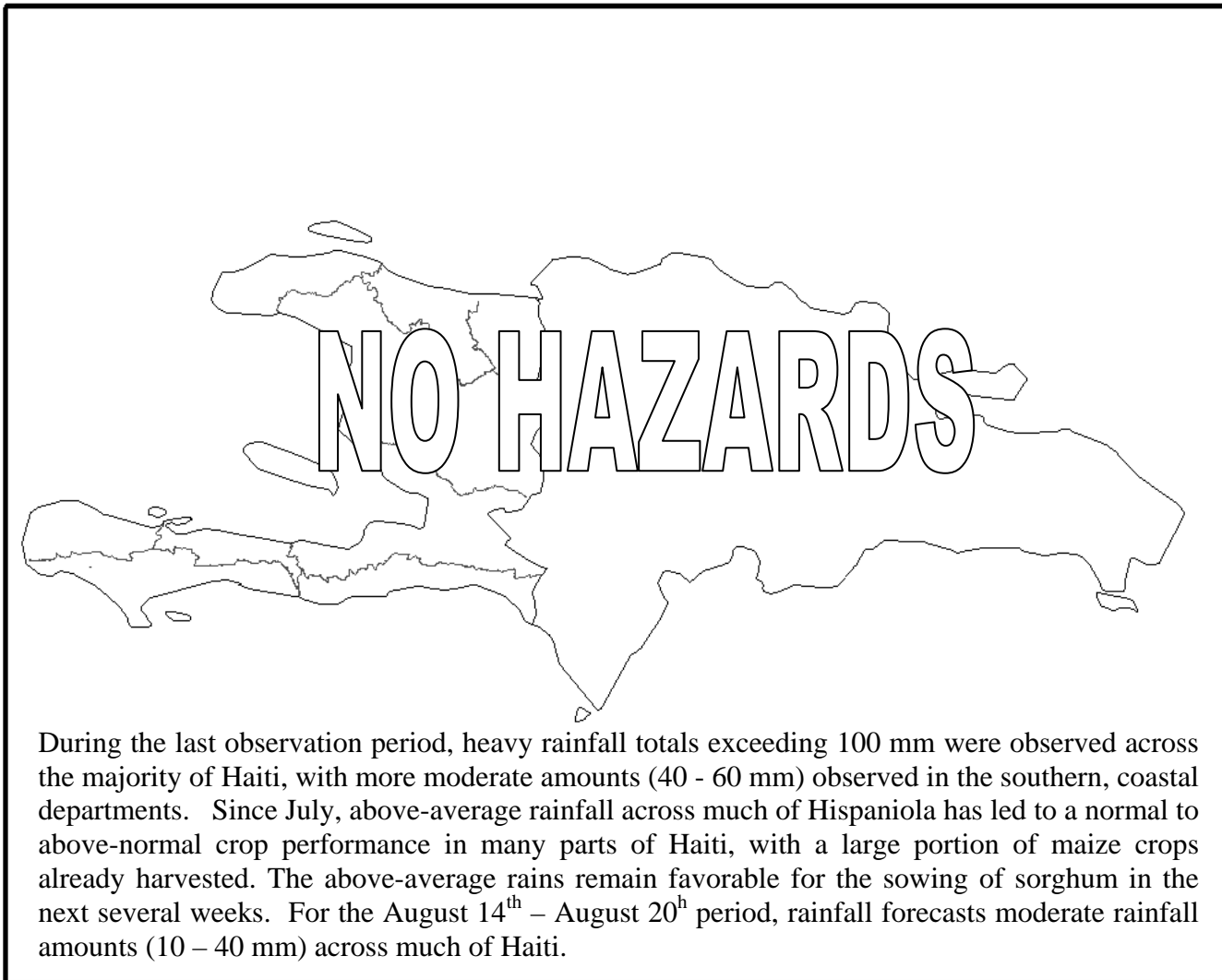


Haiti Weather Hazards and Benefits Assessment

For

August 14 – August 20, 2008



During the last observation period, heavy rainfall totals exceeding 100 mm were observed across the majority of Haiti, with more moderate amounts (40 - 60 mm) observed in the southern, coastal departments. Since July, above-average rainfall across much of Hispaniola has led to a normal to above-normal crop performance in many parts of Haiti, with a large portion of maize crops already harvested. The above-average rains remain favorable for the sowing of sorghum in the next several weeks. For the August 14th – August 20^h period, rainfall forecasts moderate rainfall amounts (10 – 40 mm) across much of Haiti.