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Tourism is Everybody's Business!

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BEAUTIFUL SAIPAN, TINIAN & ROTA BECKON

Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI) – With the recovery from Typhoon Soudelor progressing quickly and smoothly and most tourism operations restored, Saipan, Tinian, and Rota continue to welcome visitors seeking to enjoy beautiful nature without sacrificing modern conveniences.

The Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) has assured tourism partners that visitors to Saipan – which suffered the most damage during the typhoon – are enjoying the islands in comfort.

“Hotels are open, restaurants are open, water sports and land tours are open, and most importantly – the tropical sun is shining today and beaches are open,” said MVA Managing Director Perry Tenorio. “Social media gave a very realistic picture of the damage after the storm, and we encourage visitors to take a look at the wonderful photos now coming out – many posted by visitors - that show tourism and island life returning to normal. We are definitely open for business.”

The latest photos and updates are posted on the MVA's Facebook pages: My Marianas (Marianas Visitors Authority).

“The resiliency of the people and a renewed sense of community has been extraordinary over the last three weeks,” said Tenorio. “The average visitor will have the same quality of

experience as before the storm, except perhaps for some stores accepting only cash and some restaurants remaining closed. The important things visitors look for are still here, including our beautiful nature, fresh air, clean ocean, and complete relaxation.”

The iconic Beach Road which suffered downed trees and power poles after the storm, is now fully open and once again offers a picturesque view of Saipan’s lagoon.



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Visitors enjoy sun, sand and surf at Managaha in the Northern Mariana Islands on Aug. 24, 2015.



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Hundreds of tourists visit award-winning Managaha in the Northern Mariana Islands on Aug. 24, 2015.



Kayaking and other water sports are enjoyed by visitors in Saipan's lagoon on Aug. 25, 2015.



Visitors pause for picture-taking during morning low tide in Saipan on Aug. 25, 2015.

The Northern Mariana Islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota are a chain of idyllic islands in the West Pacific, offering a friendly, fun and exciting vacation in paradise. They are an excellent destination for families, adventure and sports-minded travelers, as well as business people looking for a tropical haven. Adventurous travelers from Asia, Australia, Europe and elsewhere looking for new travel discoveries will find them in the Mariana Islands, just three hours travel from most cities in Japan, and four from Asia and Australia. The Northern Marianas are served from Tokyo and Osaka in Japan by Delta and Asiana Airlines. From Korea, Asiana provides direct daily flights from Seoul and Busan and Jeju Air provides daily service from Seoul. From China, direct flight service from Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, to Saipan is available. United Airlines has daily flight connections from nine cities in Japan to Saipan with one stop. United States mainland connections can be made by Delta Air Lines to Saipan via Tokyo Narita, and United Airlines via Guam. Russian and Taiwanese visitors usually arrive via Seoul. For more information, visit www.mymarianas.com.

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