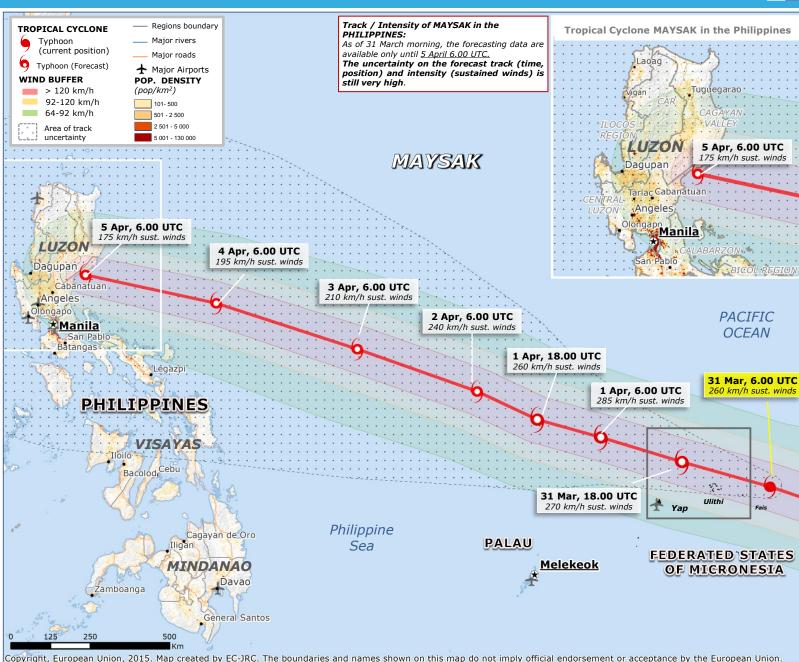
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SITUATION

FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

- MAYSAK formed in the northern Pacific Ocean, near Pohnpei island, Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), on 27 March and started moving west, intensifying rapidly, becoming a Super Typhoon. On 31 March, 6.00 UTC, it had max. sustained winds of 260 km/h and its centre was located approx. 90 km north-east of Fais island (FSM).
- On 29-30 March, MAYSAK affected Chuuk State with heavy rainfall and strong winds, damaging houses and crops and causing the death of at least four people (media).
- In the next 24h, the center of MAYSAK is forecast to move west-northwest, passing off the coast of the islands of Fais and Ulithi (FSM) in the afternoon of 31 March, intensifying further. As of 31 March, 9.00 UTC (NOAA), a **Typhoon Warning** is in effect for **Fais**, **Ulithi** and **Yap island** (Yap State). On 31 March 1 April **very strong winds**, **heavy rainfall** and **storm surge** will affect these islands.

PHILIPPINES

- After having passed Micronesia, MAYSAK is forecast to continue moving north-west towards northern Philippines and enter in the Philippine Area of Responsibility on 1 April, where it will be locally named "CHEDENG".
- It may start weakening slightly late on 1
 April, but still remaining a Typhoon. According
 to the data of 31 March 9.00 UTC, it may
 reach Luzon on 5 April with max. sust. winds
 of 175 km/h. However the uncertainty on the
 forecast track/intensity is still very high.

Sources: GDACS, ECHO, UN OCHA, NDRRMC, PAGASA, NOAA,

SPC, Media

