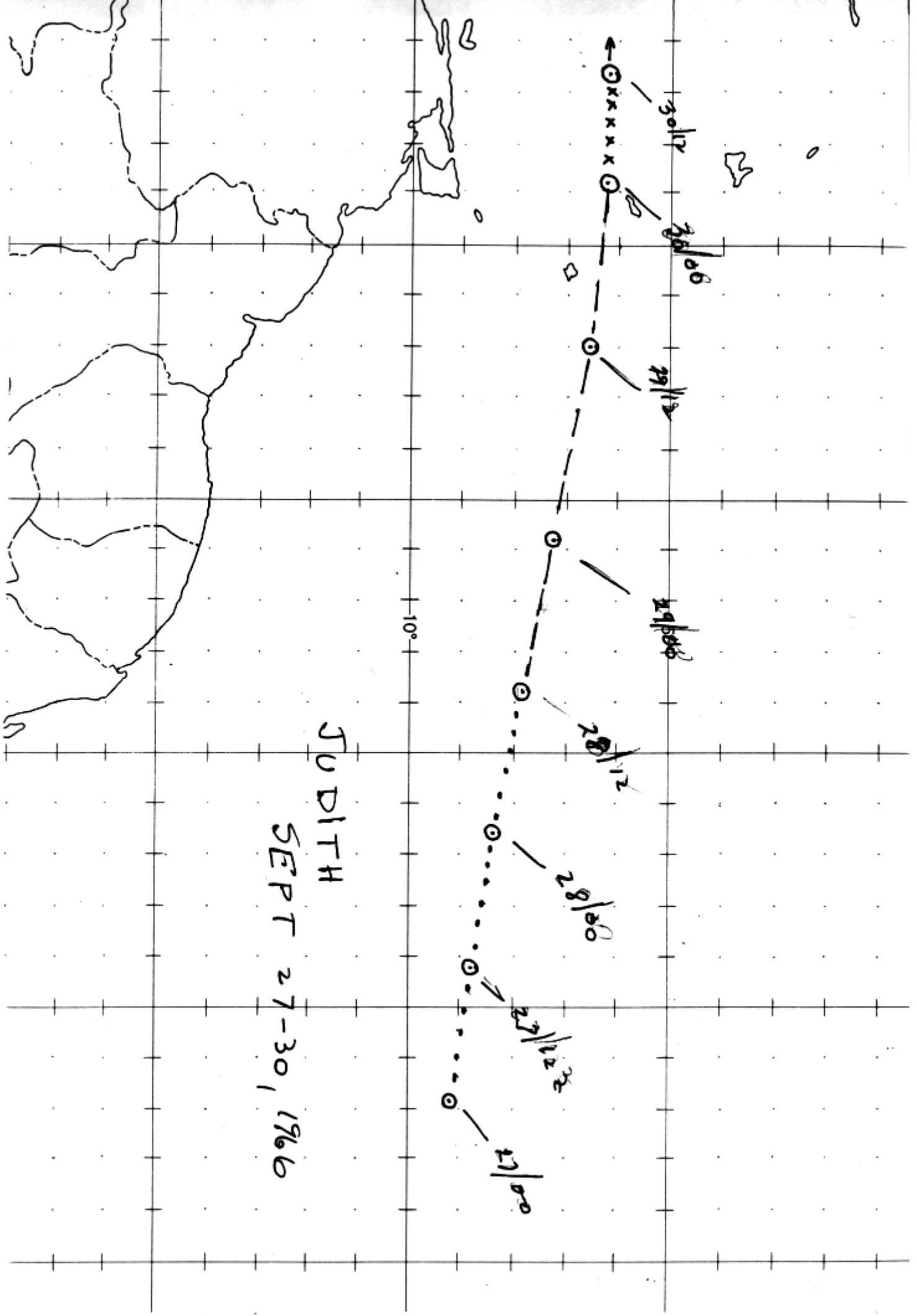


TROPICAL STORM JUDITH WAS A MINIMAL STORM. SHIP REPORTS AND SATELLITE PHOTOGRAPHS ON THE 26TH AND 27TH OF SEPTEMBER GAVE SOME INDICATIONS OF CIRCULATION IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL NORTH ATLANTIC. ON THE 28TH THE ESSA II PHOTOGRAPH SHOWED AN AREA OF CLOUDINESS LARGER THAN THAT ASSOCIATED WITH HURRICANE INEZ, BUT WITH ONLY SLIGHT INDICATIONS OF CIRCULATION. THE FOLLOWING DAY RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT REPORTED THE CENTRAL PRESSURE AS 1007 MBS AND THE MAXIMUM FLIGHT LEVEL WIND SPEED 50 MPH. JUDITH WAS CENTERED A SHORT DISTANCE NORTH OF BARBADOS I. AND WAS APPARENTLY DECREASING IN INTENSITY AT THAT TIME. AFTER PASSING THROUGH THE ISLAND CHAIN JUDITH WAS NO LONGER OF STORM INTENSITY. SHE CONTINUED TO WEAKEN AND WAS DOWNGRADED TO EASTERLY WAVE STATUS ON THE 30TH.

IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT DURING THE PERIOD OF DECREASING INTENSITY JUDITH WAS UNDER THE AREA OF EXPANDING OUTFLOW FROM HURRICANE INEZ.

THE STRONGEST SURFACE WINDS REPORTED IN THE ISLAND CHAIN DURING THE PASSAGE OF JUDITH WERE 37 MPH AT MARTINIQUE AND 40 MPH ON A SHIP NEAR THE WEST SIDE OF MARIE GALANTE I. OTHERWISE, THERE IS LITTLE EVIDENCE THAT JUDITH EVER LIVED UP TO HER CLASSIFICATION AS A TROPICAL STORM.



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