

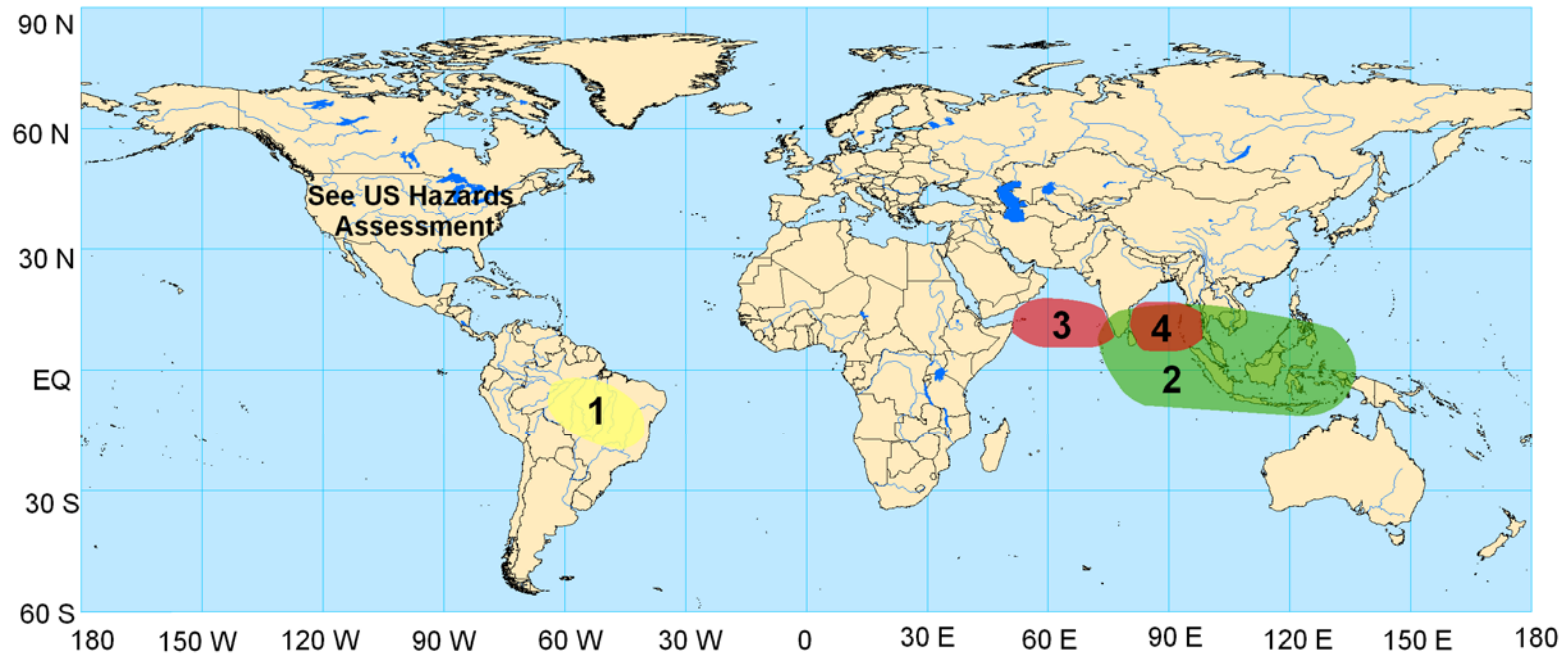
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Week 1 Outlook – Valid: October 21 - 27, 2008



- 1. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for central Brazil.** The suppressed phase of the MJO will continue to delay the onset of the South American monsoon in this region. **Confidence: High**
- 2. An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the eastern Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent.** The enhanced phase of the MJO is expected to result in wet conditions in this region. **Confidence: High**
- 3. An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis across the Arabian Sea.** The enhanced phase of the MJO along with warmer than normal SSTs should enhance the risk of tropical cyclone activity. Satellite imagery and model guidance supports tropical cyclone development. **Confidence: High**
- 4. An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis across the Bay of Bengal.** The enhanced phase of the MJO along with warmer than normal SSTs should enhance the risk of tropical cyclone activity. Model guidance supports tropical cyclone development. **Confidence: High**

**** ACTIVE TROPICAL CYCLONES:**

South Indian Ocean: Tropical Cyclone Asma (12.5S, 61.7E) → Consult updates from the Joint Typhoon Warning Center

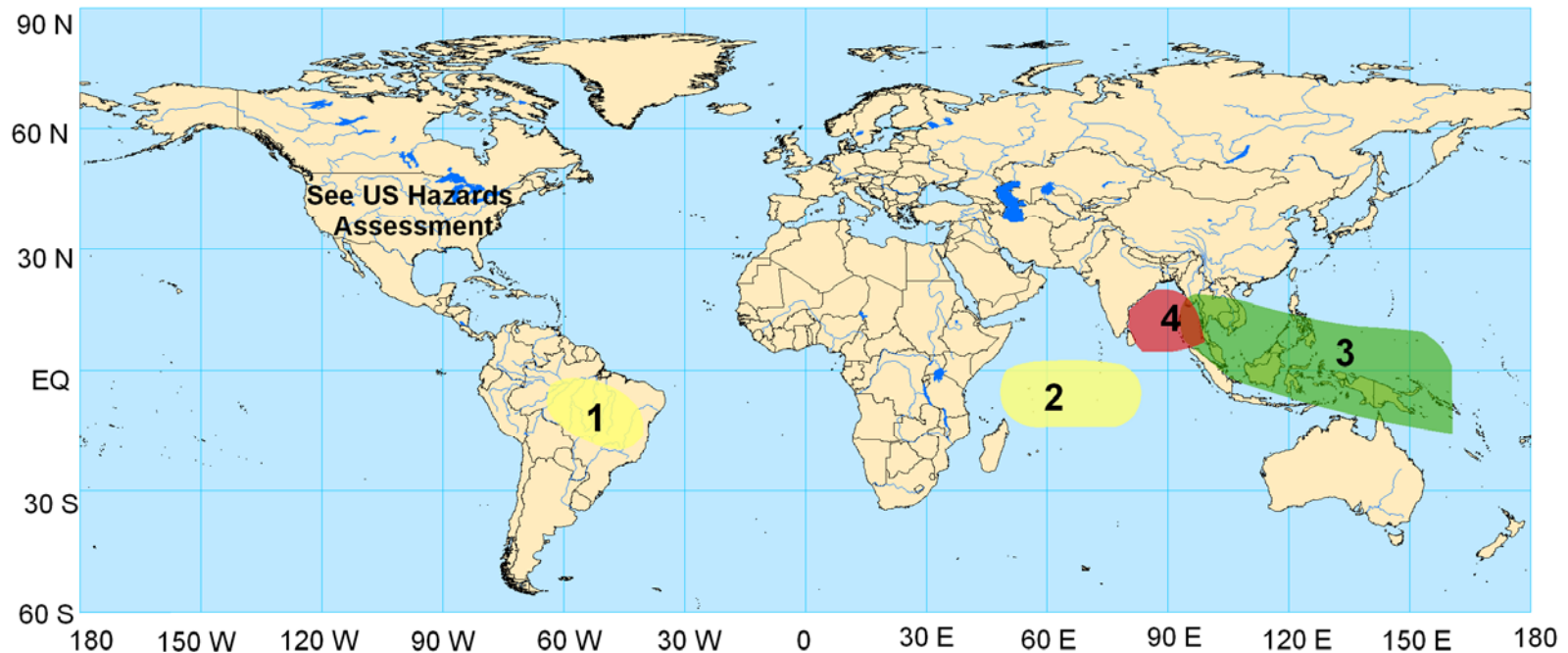
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Week 2 Outlook – Valid: October 28 – November 3, 2008



- 1. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for central Brazil.** The suppressed phase of the MJO is expected to further delay the onset of the South American monsoon in this region. **Confidence: High**
- 2. An increased chance for below-average rainfall for the central Indian Ocean.** The expected suppressed phase of the MJO is expected to result in dry conditions in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**
- 3. An increased chance for above-average rainfall for the Maritime Continent and western Pacific.** The enhanced phase of the MJO is expected to result in wet conditions in this region. **Confidence: High**
- 4. An increased chance for tropical cyclogenesis for the Bay of Bengal.** October is a favored time of year for tropical cyclone activity as the Asian monsoon continues to relax. The enhanced phase of the MJO increases the threat for tropical development in this region. **Confidence: Moderate**

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