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Typhoons Morakot and Etau

Major disruptions in cargo, ship and aircraft movements are expected in the wake of typhoon Morakot. This storm, which caused more than 2500mm of rain over Taiwan, made landfall on the Chinese mainland south of Shanghai over the weekend.

Severe flooding and winds of up to 180km/hour have brought transport and shipping operations to a standstill. Gale force winds are only expected to abate later this week.

Japan was similarly affected by typhoon Etau on Tuesday.

Delays in cargo movements, space shortages and the possible omission of cargo by carriers as they attempt regain and maintain schedule integrity are likely in the aftermath of these two severe storms.

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