

**Committee on Natural Resources
Oversight Hearing
1324 Longworth House Office Building
May 9, 2019
10:00 am**

Hearing on “*The Status of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act (PROMESA): Lesson Learned Three Years Later*”

Questions from Rep. Steven Horsford for Ms. Natalie A. Jaresko, Executive Director,
Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico

1. In helping Puerto Rico out of its debt crisis, it is essential that Puerto Rico be better prepared for natural disasters like Hurricane Maria, which caused an estimated \$94 billion in damages to a country already more than \$70 billion in debt. If Puerto Rico’s infrastructure is not improved with resiliency to hurricanes and other disasters, Puerto Rico could be destroyed again and sent back into a whirlwind of debt.
 - a. How can Congress help to mitigate and prepare Puerto Rico for impending hurricanes and other natural disasters?