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Martha's Vineyard Humanitarian Response

At 3:15 PM today approximately 50 individuals, to the best of our knowledge originating from Venezuela, landed at the Martha's Vineyard Airport, seeking shelter. This is an ongoing situation; Dukes County Emergency Management Association (Town Emergency Management Operations from the six Island towns, Dukes County Sheriff's Office, as well as Dukes County Government are actively collaborating to develop a coordinated regional response. The group in question have been provided food, water, and emergency stabilization sheltering for the evening. Two emergency shelters have been established with additional space available in case further arrivals occur. We have reached out to our State and Federal partners for additional and long-term support and assistance. All activated local Emergency Management will remain in effect as we learn more and anticipate our State partners coordinated response.

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