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Water level at reservoir rises by 40cms

Palma.—The water levels at one of the island’s main reservoirs rose by 40cms in the space of a few hours following the heavy rains on Friday which hit the north of the island.

Rain of up to 90 litres of water per square metre was registered in some parts of the island on Friday. The

clean-up and rescue operation is still underway in the San Lorenzo area, where 13 people died last week. In the Pollensa/Alcudia/Sa Pobla areas the heavy rains on Friday caused extensive damage.

The central administration has declared the San Lorenzo area a disas-

ter zone following the floods which will enable all those affected to claim aid from the government to help repair the damage.

Initial estimates have indicated that the heavy rains caused damages of in excess of 20 million euros.

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PM May tells businesses EU is committed to autumn Brexit deal

London.—British Prime Minister Theresa May told business leaders during a teleconference yesterday that EU politicians are committed to reaching an agreement this autumn, striking what one source told Reuters was an upbeat tone.

London and Brussels are racing to strike a deal by the end of the year and firms are worried that without one, there could be widespread disruption of everything from supply chains to flights and the movement of food and livestock.

May briefed around 120 business leaders to update them on the progress of the talks after discussions in Brussels earlier this week.

“The Prime Minister spoke for about 10 minutes and the tone of her message was quite optimistic,” a source familiar with the content of the call told Reuters. **See Inside**