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HURRICANE ADOLPH ALMOST HAD A SEX CHANGE!

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Meteorological history was almost made at the end of May 1983 when pacific hurricane Adolph moved into Mexico and weakened. One of his cloud masses rapidly intensified along the Gulf of Mexico coast and almost became a tropical storm northwest of the Yucatan Peninsula. (see fig 1.)

Circulation characteristics can be seen on the GOES visual photo on 29 May 83 1800 GMT.

If this system became a named storm (Alicia), Adolph would have indeed undergone a sex change operation, meteorologically not surgically.

