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To the Tourism Industry and the public,

With a steadfast commitment to ongoing and transparent communication, we would like to share the latest update on the tourism situation in Ecuador.

Following the implementation of Executive Decrees 110 and 111, significant and decisive progress has been made in national security. A total of 60 508 operations and 4 882 arrests across the country have significantly contributed to restoring peace and safety.

We are pleased to report that during the state of emergency, there have been no incidents related to hotels, lodges, vessels, cafes, and restaurants.

Land, air, and sea connectivity have remained uninterrupted, ensuring smooth and secure access to all our regions. The Ecuadorian community has shown remarkable unity and support for the National Government's actions.

In urban areas, including Quito and Guayaquil, all tourist services continue to operate without interruptions. Jeri Clausing, a journalist from "Travel Weekly," in her article "Dispatch, Ecuador: Drug war seems a world away," highlighted the calm and daily life in the capital city. This account emphasizes the safety and peace of mind visitors can expect in our cities and tourist destinations.

As the number of visitors to Ecuador gradually returns to previous figures, we reaffirm our strong commitment to welcoming every tourist with the warmth and hospitality we are known for. Ecuador promises a friendly welcome along with authentic, positive, and unforgettable experiences, and unique adventures in nature or enjoying our cultural richness.

We encourage you to keep your travel plans to our country. There is no reason to miss out on Ecuador's countless wonders.

For more information and updates, please follow our official channels on Twitter @TurismoEc and Facebook at /MinisterioTurismoEcuador.

We appreciate your understanding and trust.

Sincerely,

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