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**To the Tourism Industry and the General Public,**

Continuing our commitment to maintaining constant and transparent communication about the current situation, the Ministry of Tourism of Ecuador would like to share the following update:

The enactment of Executive Decrees 110 and 111 by the National Government has been an essential step in providing our armed forces and police with the necessary legal framework to act decisively. These actions are guided by a clear objective: to restore peace and security for the citizens of Ecuador and our visitors, a goal that we are successfully achieving day by day.

Since January 10, we have observed a drastic reduction in incidents across Ecuador. Operations carried out by the armed forces and police with the assistance of international allies have been effective. These incisive government actions have been wholeheartedly supported by the Ecuadorian people.

Today, January 11, we are gradually experiencing a return to normality. Stricter security measures are maintained in specific areas, while routine operations are ongoing in the rest of the country.

In the Amazon and the Galápagos Islands, tourism operations are operating completely normally. There are no reports of violent incidents. Hotels, guides, and the general community are calm.

Cruise activity in the islands continues as usual, while air connectivity to the archipelago and the Amazon remains operational and regular, ensuring unimpeded accessibility and mobility.

In the capital, Quito, hotels, attractions and tourist services are operating. There have been no reported interruptions in any tourist services.

Our airports, maritime ports and roads are operational, with reinforced security measures to ensure the safety of all travelers. These key elements in our country's infrastructure have continued to function without interruptions. The few flight frequencies that were altered or canceled are now operating normally.

The streets and roads of Ecuador remain open and accessible, respecting the curfew hours established from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Security on these routes is guaranteed through effective controls carried out by defense forces at strategic points, ensuring all users' safety, both during the day and during curfew hours.

Despite the disturbing images broadcast by some media outlets, Ecuador is successfully working to restore normality across the country. All of its citizens and its tourism industry are eager to welcome visitors with the same warmth and hospitality which they have always shown. The Ministry of Tourism invites visitors planning to visit us soon to maintain their travel plans.

Ecuador is and will continue to be a fascinating destination, full of cultural richness, natural beauty, and unparalleled human warmth. We will remain, for a long time to come, a magical and captivating destination that welcomes travelers from all over the world.

The Ministry of Tourism will consistently provide updates on this information through our official channels: X @TurismoEc and our Facebook page at /MinisterioTurismoEcuador.

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