

Warden Message – U.S. Embassy, Quito, Ecuador

Religious Procession to El Quinche

November 19, 2010

The U.S. Embassy in Quito wishes to inform American citizens visiting or residing in Ecuador that a religious procession to El Quinche will close a major section of the Pan American Highway just north of Quito starting at 1800 hours on Friday, November 19, 2010.

The Calderon-Guyallabamba-El Quinche sector of the Pan American Highway will be closed to public transportation from 1400 hours on November 19, and to all vehicular traffic from 1800 hours. In addition, the Quito-Cumbaya-Pifo road (including the Guayasamin tunnel), the Sangolqui-Pintag-Pifo road, and the road from Oton to Cusumbamba will also be closed during the same hours.

All these roads will reopen to vehicular traffic at 0400 on Saturday, November 20.

The U.S. Embassy recommends consulting Ecuadorian news outlets for updates on the religious procession.

Americans living or traveling in Ecuador are encouraged to enroll with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate and to obtain updated information on travel and security within Ecuador through the [Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment System](#).

U.S. citizens should consult the [Country Specific Information](#) for Ecuador and the latest Travel Alerts and Warnings and Worldwide Caution at the [Department's website](#). Updated information on travel and security in Ecuador may also be obtained from the Department of State by calling 1-888-407-4747 within the United States or by calling 1-202-501-4444 outside the United States.

The U.S. Embassy in Quito is located at Avigiras E12-170 y Eloy Alfaro. The telephone number for American Citizen Service (ACS) inquiries is (011 593-2) 398-5000. Within the same city use the last seven digits. Add the city code for intercity telephone calls. Public call-in hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. and Friday 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Appointments for ACS are available through our [website](#).

The [U.S. Consulate General in Guayaquil](#) is located at the corner of Avenida 9 de Octubre and Garcia Moreno (near the Hotel Oro Verde); telephone (011-593-4) 232-3570 during business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or 232-1152 for after-hours emergencies.

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