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Summary: Ecuador is to suspend a visa waiver agreement with China, citing a “worrying increase” in arrivals after the South American country became an important staging post on a global migrant route to the US. The country’s foreign ministry said nearly half of Chinese travellers who entered Ecuador did not leave “through regular routes” or within the 90 days permitted. Chinese people are increasingly part of that migration flow. Last year, the number of Chinese people attempting to cross the US southern border skyrocketed, with US Customs and Border Protection detaining more than 37,000 Chinese citizens, up 10-fold from 2022. About 66,000 Chinese travellers entered Ecuador last year, while only 34,000 left through regular channels, according to officials.

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