

STATEMENT FROM THE PANAMA TOURISM AUTHORITY STATUS OF THE TOURISM SECTOR FOLLOWING THE RECENT EARTHQUAKES

Panama City, October 12, 2026. The Panama Tourism Authority informs the public that, following the strong earthquake and subsequent aftershocks recorded since October 9, Panama City, the nation's capital, remains open to tourism and continues its activities.

No fatalities have been reported anywhere in the national territory. The response to this emergency has been marked by public solidarity and assistance from the authorities, as efforts continue to support affected areas in other regions of the country.

Tocumen International Airport remains open and operational, working in coordination with airlines to enable passengers affected by temporary disruptions resulting from safety protocols to resume their journeys. The Panama Canal also continues its regular operations.

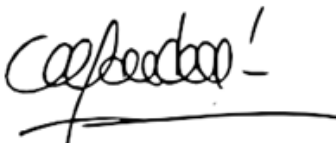
Most tourist destinations in the country are also operating normally. In communities in the interior near the epicenter where structural damage was reported, including Penonomé, Santiago, Tonosí, Torio, and Venao, authorities are addressing the damage and supporting communities in their recovery. We will continue to provide updates on recovery efforts and the resumption of tourism activities in these areas.

Strict building codes and oversight by the authorities help strengthen the country's capacity to respond to seismic events. Maintaining and reinforcing these measures forms part of an ongoing commitment to the safety of buildings and the protection of human life.

Panama is grateful for the expressions of solidarity and confidence it has received and reaffirms its commitment to the safety of residents and visitors.

The Government of the Republic of Panama continues to address the effects of the earthquakes responsibly and promptly, in coordination with local authorities and communities.

The Panama Tourism Authority will continue to provide timely updates as the situation develops, with responsibility and transparency.



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