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A black and white line-drawn map of Ecuador shows the area in the east of Ecuador that is in dispute with Peru.

Both Ecuador and Peru claim possession of part of the Amazonian rainforest shown in this map. This border dispute turned into war in 1941 when the well-equipped Peruvian army crossed the border into Ecuadorian territory. The Peruvian army quickly overwhelmed the undermanned Ecuadorian army and the two sides ended the fighting by signing the Rio Protocol in 1942. All the disputed territory was kept by Peru, although many Ecuadorians still claim the disputed territory for their country. Since signing the Rio Protocol, border skirmishes erupted in 1981 and 1995.



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