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Mitch Hayes is a political risk analyst and advisor, and founder of two widely-read newsletters, "The China Signal", and "Mundo". Both are read by diplomats, investors, journalists, and political risk analysts throughout the world. The China Signal analyses China's growing presence in Latin America, while Mundo focuses on geopolitics, political risk and critical thinking skills.

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