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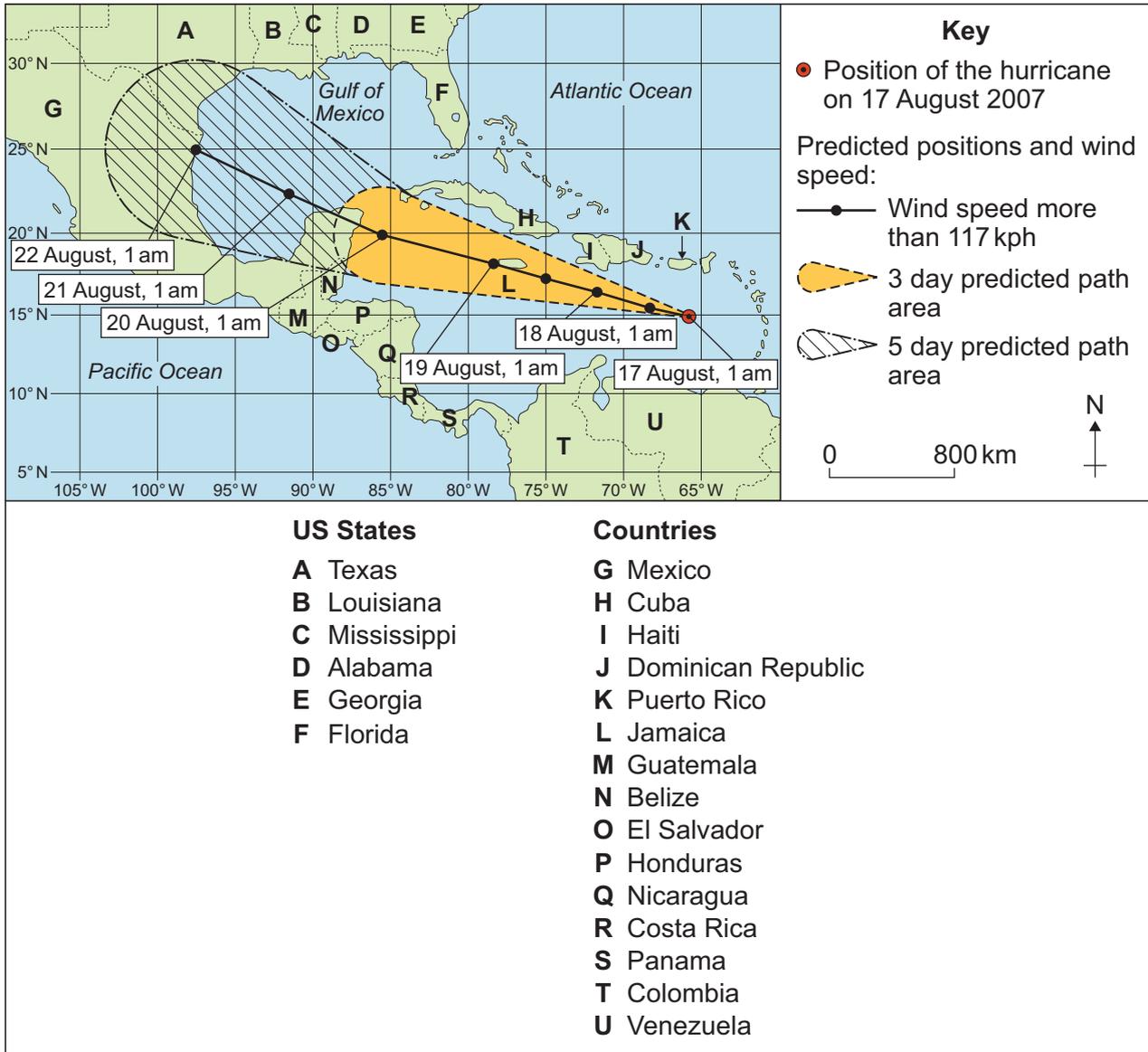
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Figure 2

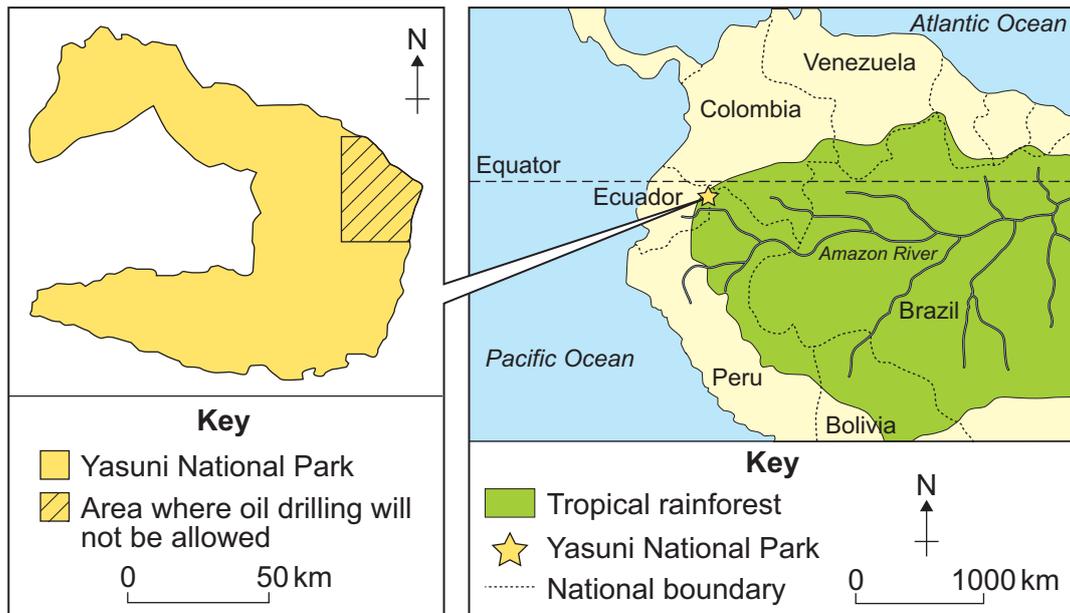
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Figure 6

Underneath a part of Yasuni National Park lie an estimated 846 million barrels of oil worth US\$ 7 billion. In 2007, the government of Ecuador introduced a scheme saying that it will not allow oil drilling in this part of Yasuni National Park. Keeping the oil in the ground will stop 400 million tonnes of carbon dioxide from going into the atmosphere. The oil will stay underground if the rest of the world pays US\$ 3.6 billion to the government of Ecuador as compensation. By the end of 2013, not all compensation money had been paid to Ecuador and the future of the scheme was uncertain.



Part of the Yasuni National Park is home to the Waorani people who have lived in the area for thousands of years.



Many people in Ecuador depend on the oil industry for jobs.



Many roads, health centres and schools in rainforest areas of Ecuador were built by oil companies.



The government of Ecuador is still waiting to be paid most of the US\$ 3.6 billion.

The Yasuni National Park has a 'species richness' of trees, amphibians, reptiles and bats and is a protected nature reserve.



The Napo Wildlife Centre, a tourist lodge in the Yasuni National Park, is very successful. Oil drilling could mean that fewer tourists would visit.



The Gross National Income (GNI) of Ecuador is only US\$ 4510 per person per year. Almost half of the population of Ecuador lives in poverty.



Ecuador's oil reserves will be gone in 30 years.

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