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Abstract: Although there are unique situations in which corruption advances economic growth, in most cases corruption has a negative impact on the economic, social, and political aspects of a country. As a result, the international community has been calling for government reform in developing countries – which are often plagued by corruption – like Indonesia and Malaysia. The effects of corruption on Indonesia have been severe and varied, revitalizing its economy after the fall of Sukarno, but slowing economic progress throughout the post-Suharto process of democratization and decentralization. Malaysia’s corruption problem has never been as extreme, but if the ruling party, which has dominated the government since independence, continues to ignore the seriousness of corruption, the country may lose political stability as support for the ruling party gradually declines.