Country fact sheet Country name:

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| Federal/Unitary  (pick one) | # of states or regions | | Details: |
| Presidential; parliamentary, or mixed | Chief of state: (give me a name and a title, and a political party, if necessary) | | Chief of gov’t: (give me a name and a title, and a political party, if necessary) |
| Head of State details: (how they are elected, when they were last elected, what party they are from, powers include…)  Head of Government details:(same stuff as HOS) |  | | |
| Name of Legislative Branch (identify both houses if applicable) | Details on lesser house: (how many members, how are elections run, which party currently controls) | | Details on upper house: (do they have any significant powers) |
| Highest Court of the Judicial Branch: | How they’re appointed/length of term: | | Role/Powers (specifically Judicial Revview:  Is corruption a factor? |
| Bureaucracy/cabinet | Details: (are they corrupt, are they very transparent…you might need help with this!) | | |
| Political recruitment | How are elites recruited (do they rise from normal governmental institutions, is their rise/nomination transparent or not?) | | |
| Other important institutions: (could be military |  | | |
| Media (you might need to look outside your book) | Who controls (the government or private individuals)/any restrictions. Do they have true free speech? Name significant outlets | | |
| Are they legitimate? | Doubts on legitimacy: | | Sources of legitimacy: |
| Historical evolution of political traditions: elements of history that impact the current system (give me 3 minimum) |  | | |
| Key leaders and their policies, historical to today (give me 3 minimum) |  | | |
| Ethic cleavages  Any other notable cleavages? |  | | |
| Political parties |  | | |
| Interest group system (pluralist or corporatist) |  | | |
| Economic system (identify type: capitalist, socialist) (identify major economic policies gov’t has adopted) |  | | |
| First world/third world (developing) | Identification: | Justification: | |
| Supranational organization membership | Names: | Details: | |
| Features of Constitution (you may need to look outside of your text for this) | Date it was written/revised | Specific features: | |
| Current and historic public policy issues (3 minimum) |  | | |
| Any other notable info? |  | | |