AP Comparative Government

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Civil Society

Directions: For your homework due next class, find an article about Civil Society in your assigned country. (Good sources include: BBC, the Economist, the Country Watch school database, the New York Times, or several academic institutions such as the Brookings Institute or Foreign Relations Council). Write a 1-2 page typed, double spaced evaluation of civil society in your country in which you:

* Describe civil society in your country and the extent to which it meets the criteria below
* Evaluate the impact of civil society on the government of your country (How do they interact? What is the relationship between civil society and the citizens? What is the relationship between civil society and the government?)

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| Civil Society is:   1. Organized, institutionalized to some extent. 2. Private, institutionally separate from government. 3. Non-profit-distributing, not returning profits generated to their owners or directors. 4. Self-governing, equipped to control their own activities. 5. Voluntary, involving some meaningful degree of voluntary participation. |