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**“Some people believe it is often necessary, even desirable, for political leaders to withhold information from the public. Others believe that the public has a right to be fully informed.”**

**Write a response in which you discuss which view more closely aligns with your own position and explain your reasoning for the position you take. In developing and supporting your position, you should address both of the views presented.**

Concerning whether transparency of political information for the public is vital or not, people do not see eye to eye. There are some who believe that politicians should withhold the information from the public, while others cast doubt on this argument and believe that the public should have the privilege to be informed thoroughly. I concur with the second group for a number of reasons, including but not limited to, implementing people’s demands, and avoiding malfeasance.

The first reason why I agree with keeping information transparent for public is because politicians are elected by people for the purpose of enforcing their requirements; therefore, concealing the information from them not only could fail to assist political leaders in discerning whether their policies match the needs of their people, but also the people could get baffled by their intentions. For example, in high quality of life ranking Finland have been among top 10 countries in the world for decades, and one of the most important reason is that the politicians keep their information and strategies straightforward for people; therefore, people are aware of government’s goals, and they can seek to their rights consciously.

Another equally important reason is that keeping the information clear-cut for public could diminish the feasibility of vices between political leaders. When the information is kept as a secret among political leaders they can conveniently mask their vices, so they could get into corruption, misappropriate, steal the public’s money and take advantage of taxes for their own personal desires. For instance, North Korea is among most corrupted governments in the world, solely because the political leaders withhold information from the people, and they can hide their malfeasances behind their lies; Consequently, people cannot impede their corruptions.

Nevertheless, the first group’s point of view can also hold truth in some cases. Some information is related to the country’s security and privacy; thus it is indispensable for the politicians to withhold that type of information in order to protect the people and their benefits from aliens and spies. For example, concealing military information from the public is requisite for all countries; otherwise the country’s safety will be endangered, and enemies could surmount them easily.

In conclusion, based on all the aforementioned above political leaders should inform the public about the information and decisions in order to fulfill their requirements, and to have a reliable government, albeit they should hide the certain information that can overshadow the country’s security.