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This will only depend on the ability of the two sides to learn from past mistakes, to set aside their mutual mistrust and to renew their commitment to working together to resolve the host of overwhelming problems that plague the state of Southeast Asia, based largely on the list of issues to be addressed in the new government: the economy, threatening and spreading poverty, rampant and widespread corruption, general lawlessness, drug trafficking, corruption in politics and the military, ineffective and abusive widespread impunity, lack of regulation of the media, and so on.