Nicaragua

Overall Risk Score: 72

Risk Level: high

This score is a composite of the four domain scores discussed below, which are weighted and combined to produce the overall country risk score. Each country is given a score from 1 to 100 for each domain and for the total bribery risk. A higher score indicates a higher risk of business bribery. Assessments of whether a given domain score is “good” or “poor” are made relative to all other jurisdictions within that domain.

1. **Business Interactions with Government**: Nicaragua receives a poor score of 64 in this domain, based on a high degree of government interaction, a high expectation of bribes, and a medium regulatory burden.

2. **Anti-bribery Deterrence and Enforcement**: Nicaragua receives a poor score of 78 in this domain, based on a medium quality of anti-bribery dissuasion and a very low quality of anti-bribery enforcement.

3. **Government and Civil Service Transparency**: Nicaragua receives a very poor score of 81 in this domain, based on poor governmental transparency and very poor transparency of financial interests.

4. **Capacity for Civil Society Oversight**: Nicaragua receives a very poor score of 74 in this domain, based on a very low degree of media freedom/quality and a very low degree of civil society engagement.

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