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**Further Information on UA 73/04 (ASA 31/045/2004, 20 February 2004) Fear for safety/ possible 'Disappearance'**

**NEPAL Jujubhai Maharjan (m), aged 40, waiter - Released**

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Amnesty has learnt that Jujubhai Maharjan, who was arrested on 18 February and feared to have been 'disappeared', has been released. Jujubhai Maharjan was arrested from the Bajra hotel in Kathmandu district, where he worked as a waiter, and released at the same location on 27 April.

Since Jujubhai Maharjan was blindfolded during his detention, he is unable to identify the army barracks where he was held. He was arrested on suspicion of involvement in the activities of the Communist Party of Nepal (CPN) (Maoist), an accusation which he strongly denies.

Jujubhai Maharjan claims to have been treated well during his detention and thanks Amnesty International for the work done on his behalf.

**No further action is requested from the network at this time. Thank you to all who sent appeals.**