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**Further Information on UA 286/03 (ASA 31/44/2003, 3 October 2003) Fear of torture / possible 'disappearance'**

**NEPAL                      Madhab Ghemere (m), aged 28, school teacher**

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Madhab Ghemere was released from detention on 9 April. He had reportedly been arrested on 29 September 2003 by security personnel in civilian dress from outside the school where he worked in Kathmandu. He believes he was taken to Maharajgunj army barracks, Kathmandu following his arrest. He was then reportedly taken by helicopter to Gajuri army barracks, Dhading district after two months.

Before Madhab Ghemere was transferred to Gajuri barracks the army denied that they were holding him in detention. It was only when his family took the matter to court that they received confirmation of his whereabouts and were allowed to visit him at the barracks.

At the beginning of April Madhab Ghemere was moved to Dhading Besi army barracks, Dhading district before being released five days later. The army have refused to provide him with a letter for his employers accounting for the six months when he was not working and confirming that he was in their detention during this time.

**No further action is required from the network at this time. Thanks to all those who sent appeals.**