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## Nepal: Press conference on Amnesty International's findings

Amnesty International Secretary General Irene Khan, will present the findings of her visit to Nepal. AI was the first international human rights organization to hold talks with the Government of Nepal after King Gyanendra declared a state of emergency in the country taking direct control of the government.

Amnesty International arrived in Nepal on 10 February to assess the impact of the state of emergency on a rapidly deteriorating human rights. The visit takes place as a Maoist "people's war" declared on 13 February 1996 enters its 10th year.

The delegation met with King Gyanendra, senior government and army officials to discuss the human rights situation in Nepal. They visited Kathmandu, Nepalgunj and Biratnagar to assess the impact of the state of emergency and a nationwide strike called by the Maoists.

Irene Khan will be available for interviews. Interviews can also be provided by other delegates in French and Spanish. Broadcasters please note that a B-roll will be available. Still images will also be provided.

### When

Thursday, 17 February 2005, at 12:00 hrs local time (07.00 GMT)

### Where

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