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## Further Information on UA 303/03 (ASA 31/059/2003, 27 October 2003) Fear for safety/incommunicado detention

NEPAL Yogesh Rawal (m), aged 26, journalist

Yogesh Rawal was reportedly released from custody at 11am on 29 October in the presence of his relatives.

He had reportedly been arrested on 24 October by members of the Armed Police Force (APF) in Tikapur Bazar, Kailali district, and taken to the Ugratara APF barracks in Tikapur. It is believed that his arrest was in connection with a news article he had written for the daily newspaper *Rajdhani* (Capital) about a Maoist attack on APF personnel in Tikapur.

No further action is required by the UA Network. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals.