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Report of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances

Clarifications

130. Based on the information received from the source that the human rights defender (see paragraph 129) had returned home, the Working Group decided to clarify that case.

131. The Working Group also decided to clarify three cases where the six-month rule had been previously applied (see paragraph 11). The cases concerned a teacher and student who disappeared in 2001 and a female worker who disappeared in 2002.

Summary of the situation prior to the period under review

132. Most of the cases of disappearance reported to the Working Group occurred between 1988 and 1990, and between 1995 and 2005. The majority of these cases concerned Tibetans, 19 of them monks, who were allegedly arrested in Nepal and handed over to the Chinese authorities. A further 13 cases concerned Falun Gong practitioners who were allegedly arrested or abducted in 2000 and 2001. In one case, an autistic boy reportedly disappeared in 2000 after having been questioned by Hong Kong immigration officers. In one case transmitted in 2004, a 4-year-old child, reportedly the daughter of Falun Gong practitioners, was allegedly taken from her home by police officers from the Tongnan Country National Security Team in 2004.

Total cases transmitted, clarified and outstanding

133. In the past and during the year under review, the Working Group transmitted 112 cases to the Government; of those, 11 cases have been clarified on the basis of information provided by the source, 72 cases have been clarified on the basis of information provided by the Government and 29 cases remain outstanding.

Observations

134. The Working Group expresses its appreciation to the Government of China for its cooperation and hopes that the Government will continue to make serious efforts to elucidate the fate or whereabouts of persons who have allegedly disappeared, including children and mentally challenged individuals.