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Promotion of General Toran Jung Bahadur Singh concerns OHCHR

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OHCHR-Nepal Representative Richard Bennett today expressed concern about the promotion of Major General Toran Jung Bahadur Singh to Lieutenant General and second-in-command of the Nepal Army despite widespread opposition. “OHCHR’s position since 2006 has been consistent – those implicated in credible allegations of human rights violations committed by members of the 10th Brigade in 2003 and in 2004, when General Singh was in command, should not be promoted pending completion of a full, transparent and impartial investigation. This would enhance, not diminish, the prestige of the Nepal Army at home and abroad”, said Richard Bennett.

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