

## UNITED NATIONS OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN NEPAL



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## OHCHR-Nepal welcomes the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement

Speaking from Nepalgunj, Lena Sundh, Representative of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights in Nepal, welcomed the signing of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement as the beginning of a transition to lasting peace in Nepal. In meetings with local authorities, representatives of the Seven-Party Alliance and the CPN (Maoist), human rights NGOs and civil society, Lena Sundh said that while OHCHR is studying the details of the peace agreement, she nevertheless welcomed the commitment of the parties to human rights by giving them a central place in the peace accord. She told local representatives that OHCHR remained focused on the protection and promotion of human rights in the districts of Nepal, and pledged that OHCHR would continue, and even strengthen, its monitoring presence in the regions and rural areas of the country.