

UN Special Rapporteur on torture to visit Lhasa

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(AsiaNews, noticias) Professor Manfred Nowak, the UN Commission on Human Rights' Special Rapporteur on Torture is set for a two-week visit to the People's Republic of China (PRC) commencing 21 November 2005 . His trip will include visits to Xinjiang and Lhasa. According to the US embassy in Beijing, China had agreed to include unannounced visits to detention facilities with the guarantee that there will be no reprisals against anyone who speaks to Nowak. The Special Rapporteur will submit a comprehensive written report on the visit to the Commission on Human Rights at its sixty-second session in 2006.

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