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### Accede to the Rome Statute through

The attention of the National Human Rights Commission has been drawn to the incident of fast-unto-death staged by human rights activist Krishna Pahadi placing his demand before the government to accede to Rome Statute (International Criminal Court). The Commission today carried out on-the-spot monitoring on the health condition of Mr. Pahadi.

With the use of jurisdiction availed by the Statute, it would suffice ways to promote and strengthen human rights and help in ending the state of impunity along with helping in bringing the perpetrators involved in serious nature of crimes such as genocide, crime against humanity and aggression into legal action.

The House of Representatives reinstated after the 2006 popular uprising had passed a resolution and directed the government to arrange for the ratification of the Rome Statute. The Commission would like to remind that prior to this the Commission had recommended to the Government of Nepal to accede to the Rome Statute.

The Commission, therefore, urges to the Government of Nepal to ratify the Rome Statute, to establish the mechanisms related to it, to appropriately address the demands put forward by rights activist Krishna Pahadi staging fast-unto-death and also to the implement the recommendations of the Commission.

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