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Personal Details

CECC Record Number	2013-00050	Ethnic Group	Tibetan
Detention Status	DET	Sex	M
Issue Category	eth/prop/assoc	Age At Detention	23
Main Name	Gachoe	Religion	Tibetan Buddhist
Chinese Characters (Main Name)	噶曲(音)	Occupation	farmer / herder
Alternate Name (Lay or Pen)		Affiliation	
Additional Name(s)		Residence Province	Qinghai Province
Pinyin Name	Gaqu	Residence Prefecture	Yushu [Yulshul] Tibetan Auto. Pref.
		Residence County	Nangqian [Nangchen] Cty.

Imprisonment or Detention Details

Date of Detention	2013/01/19
Current Prison	Nangchen PSB Det. Ctr?
Sentence Length (Years)	
Sentence Length (Months)	
Sentence Length (Weeks)	
Sentence Length (Days)	
Province Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Qinghai Province
Prefecture Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Yushu [Yulshul] Tibetan Auto. Pref.
County Where Imprisoned (or Detained)	Nangqian [Nangchen] Cty.

Legal Process

Legal Process	PSB	Formal Arrest Date	
Trial Court		Trial Date	
Sentence Court		Sentence Date	
Appeal Court		Appeal Date	
Appeal Ruling Court		Appeal Ruling Date	
Sent. Ends Per PRC		Actual Date Released	
Charge (Statute)			

Short Summary

Based on Tibet Express ([23 January 13](#)) and Phayul ([25 January 13](#)) reports, on January 19, 2013, public security officials in Yushu (Yushul) TAP, Qinghai province, detained Gachoe (male, age 35), one of a group of Tibetans protesting against "confiscation of their farms and grassland" by local authorities. Based on the reports, the detention likely took place in Nangqian (Nangchen) county, the location of the allegedly expropriated land. After Gachoe's detention, a group of Tibetans staged a protest outside the Nangqian Public Security Bureau office to demand his release and the restoration of their property rights. According to Phayul, some local Tibetans reportedly took an oath not to give up their land rights in exchange for compensation. (The PRC [Regional Ethnic Autonomy Law](#), Art. 27, provides authority to local governments to "define the ownership of, and the right to use" grasslands, thereby "[affecting economic conditions](#)" of areas under their administration.)