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Summary:

A telegram from the Japanese Foreign Minister to the Ambassador to Syria regarding the American hostages in Lebanon.

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国官民 先般の黄国訪問の際は 貴をより心のこも A 漢謝致します 彼め 待之頂き 1 アサド大統領及び貴大臣との会談は極め-1 とも両国間の友好協力関係 ものであり 私出合) 層の増進のため 意であります 5.中石努力女行 中東和平問題についても貴外相との間 打打 意見交換を十分行っていきたいと考えて) 更に今回の訪問中は貴大臣」 TWA 機事件 ノ質解 2 放のため貴国が最大限の努力を払ったこと及び現在も レバリンで捕りれている米国人人質7名の解放に向け 費国が最大限の努力を行っていろこと 載いじ 101 強く感じた次第であります。我が国政府、国民は 北らの事件につき大きち関心を有し かり ● 貴国のかかろ現実的かの責任ある態度を高く評価 GB-5 外務省

イおりま (নি) レイは困難な問題があろことについては十分承知 ておりますが、貴国が行っている 右人質 錙 道的努力が一日も早く実を結 ことえい とも解放の見通し等関連情 型 后檢 2) お知らせ頂ければ幸いてあります こつき (\mathcal{C}) GB-5

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Primary: Middle Eastern and African Affairs Bureau Director-General

To: Ambassador to Syria From: Foreign Minister

Problem of the Release of the American Hostages (Special Message to Foreign Minister Shara)

No. 388 Secret Urgent (Priority Processing)

Outgoing Telegram First Middle East Division No. 387 Separate Telegram

(Limited Distribution)

1. I thank you once again for the affection and warm reception from your country's officials and people at the time of my recent visit to your country.

The meetings with President Assad and you, Minister, were very significant. I intend henceforth to make every effort for the further promotion of friendly and cooperative relations between our two countries.

I would also like to fully engage in a frank exchange of views with you on the problem of peace in the Middle East.

2. Furthermore, during this visit, I truly had a strong sense regarding your country having exerted the utmost efforts for the release of the hostages in the TWA Incident and regarding your country now exerting the utmost efforts for the release of the seven American hostages. Our country's government and people have a great interest regarding these incidents and highly appraise your country's realistic and responsible attitude.

3. I am fully aware, through meeting with you, that there are difficulties related to the problem of the release of the seven American hostages. I sincerely hope that the humanitarian efforts that your country is making for the release of the hostages will bear fruit as soon as possible. I would appreciate your informing me from this point onward of such information as that related to prospects for their release.

(End)