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**Summary:**

These briefing materials inform the Prime Minister and Chief Cabinet Secretary of Japan that President Reagan publicly acknowledged the release of Benjamin Weir, an American hostage in Lebanon.

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米国人人質解放問題 (追加)

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近一

18日付ワシントン発時事は、レーガン大総領が18日  
 遊説先でベンジャミン・ウェア氏が14日に解放さ

れたことと公式に確認するとともに、残る6人の人質  
 解放に全力を尽くすとの発表を行った旨報じている。

(なお、現在、我が方より詳細につき在米大に通い  
 調査中。)

Briefing Materials for the Prime Minister and Chief Cabinet Secretary

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There was news reporting from Washington on the 18th that President Reagan, in a speech that day, publicly acknowledged that Benjamin Weir was released on the 14th and announced that he would do everything possible for the release of the remaining six hostages.

(In addition, we are now looking into the details via our Embassy in the United States.)