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Summary:

In a letter to President Assad of Syria, Special Envoy Nakayama writes about the relationship between Japan and Syria and reflects on each country's mutual concerns, including international terrorism.

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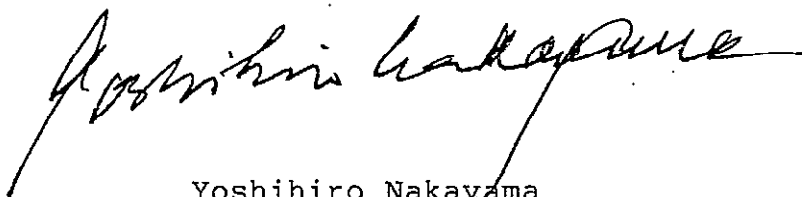
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