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Secretary General, Liberal Democratic Party

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Manae Kubota
House of Councillors, Japanese Socialist
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Guest: American Journalists in Tokyo

David Sanger
The New York Times

Margaret Shapiro
The Washington Post

Bradley Martin
Newsweek

SUNDAY, JULY 15, 1990

6:00 pm--Taped Interview

Guest: Japanese Business Leaders

Tadahiro Sekimoto
President, NEC

Masaya Miyoshi

7:00 pm--Taped Interview

Michael Armacost
U.S. Ambassador to Japan

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Keidanren (Japan Federation of Economic
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U.S. Ambassador to Japan

To: All

From: Connie

Here is where Roxane and I can be reached in Tokyo:

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