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Minister Garneau, Colleagues from around the world,

Japan fully supports "the Declaration Against the Use of Arbitrary Detention in State-to-State Relations."

Arbitrary detentions are contrary to international human rights law and instruments, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Diplomacy by using arbitrary detention to exercise leverage over foreign governments cannot be tolerated in any circumstances.

The fact that so many countries and organizations support this declaration shows the high degree of awareness of this issue among the international community.

Paying respect to Canada for taking the initiative in drafting this declaration, I renew our commitment to strongly support this declaration.