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Dear President of the Japanese Federation of the Deaf,

It is with great sadness that we have learnt about the earthquake which has struck the north-east of Japan earlier today causing a tsunami and the tragic loss of life and extensive damages in the region. WFD would like to express its sorrow and sympathy to the population of Japan as the country deals with the aftermath of this devastating natural disaster and the destruction it has caused.

We hope that the Deaf people in Japan will receive all the information and help they need, our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this very sad and difficult time.

Legal Seat - Helsinki, Finland

Warm regards,

Markku Jokinen President

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