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National Diet Building



Dominating the beautiful avenue of gingko trees that runs from Ginza through Sakuradamon, the impressive building of the National Diet of Japan stands on a hill in the Nagatacho district of Chiyoda City in Tokyo. In front of it lies the Diet Front Garden, an urban oasis, and behind it are the Members’ Office Buildings and other Diet-related facilities. The entire Diet complex has an air of dignity that is in keeping with the Diet’s position as the political center of the nation.