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## A Kidnapping

(1) The Clark County District Court sentenced two men to life imprisonment for kidnapping and then killing the daughter of the president of a famous Fortune 500 Company last year.

(2) The pair had no previous criminal records, but they were both former employees that were fired from the victim's father's firm.

(3) Police said that the two researched the president's family on the internet, and found where his daughter went to school.

(4) They had followed her closely, and at the right moment they pushed her into their car and sped off.

(5) Then taking her to a vacant house in the suburbs where she was held captive for several days.

(6) The victim's father received instructions to pay a \$5 million ransom for his daughter's release, but through a misunderstanding about the instructions, he failed to deliver the money by the given deadline.

(7) The kidnappers apparently panicked, killed his daughter, and abandoned the body in the desert.

## 語注

(1) Clark County クラーク郡; ワシントン州 district court 地方裁判所 sentence 判決を下す、宣告する life imprisonment 終身刑、無期懲役 kidnap 誘拐する Fortune 500 company フォーチュン 500 社; Fortune 誌のリストに載 るような大企業・一流企業。
(2) criminal record 前科、犯罪歴 employee 従業員 fire 解雇する、首にする victim 犠牲者、被害者
(4) follow 後について行く、追跡[尾行]する at the right moment 絶好のタイミングで、 ちょうどいい時に sped < speed</li>
(5) vacant house 空き家 captive 捕らわれて、監禁されて
(6) ransom 身代金 release 解放 deliver 送金する deadline 期日、期限

(7) apparently どうやら…らしい abandon 捨てる body 死体, 遺体