World

Gorbachev admits USSR is pursuing "Star Wars" research

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Hostage release warms relations between France and Iran

There is evidence that French-Iranian relations are softening since the release of two French hostages in Lebanon on Sunday. French authorities said an employee of the Iranian embassy has been allowed to return to Iran after being held up in the embassy since June. The French had wanted to interrogate the man about a wave of bombings in Paris. In Tehran, France's senior diplomat appeared beaming.

Frenchman said Waite was held in a room next to him

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