We've had a lot of rumors lately about Strikeforce moving over to promote a show in Japan, with an arbitrary date tossed around of April 9th. It turns out, from sources close to Real Entertainment who spoke with our good friend and former contributor Mike Hackler of MMA-Japan.com , that the show will be April 10th in Japan during the afternoon.

What this means is that the show will take place in the mid-afternoon in Japan on April 10th so that it can air *live* ***in the United States on Showtime***. This has been one of the main criticisms that I've seen towards the Strikeforce in Japan show; that it probably would be airing on tape delay in the United States and as most fans are antsy to get the latest news, the event would be spoiled and viewers would not tune in to watch the event. This has been an ongoing issue for UFC when they have international cards and do not adjust the show to be live in the US.

I feel as if a lot of people are not giving Scott Coker the proper credit here, as he has a handle on promoting cards internationally and what needs to be done to make it all work out for everyone. The event will host a few fights from the Strikeforce Heavyweight GP, most likely **Alistair Overeem vs. Fabricio Werdum** as well as **Josh Barnett vs. Brett Rogers**. M-1 might also be thrown into the mix, as **Fedor Emelianenko** is rumored for the card, making it a co-promotion between **Real Entertainment, Strikeforce, Showtime and M-1 Global.**

There should also be a few Lightweight bouts in place, possibly from the rumored Real Entertainment and Strikeforce Lightweight GP we mentioned previously. There are lots of names of top Japanese Lightweights being thrown around, including **Tatsuya Kawajiri** and **Shinya Aoki**, considered two of Japan's top Lightweights. But for now, we'll wait and see, as with anything in Japan, things can change in a heartbeat. [source]