

## STEERING GEAR AND LINKAGE REMOVAL/INSTALLATION

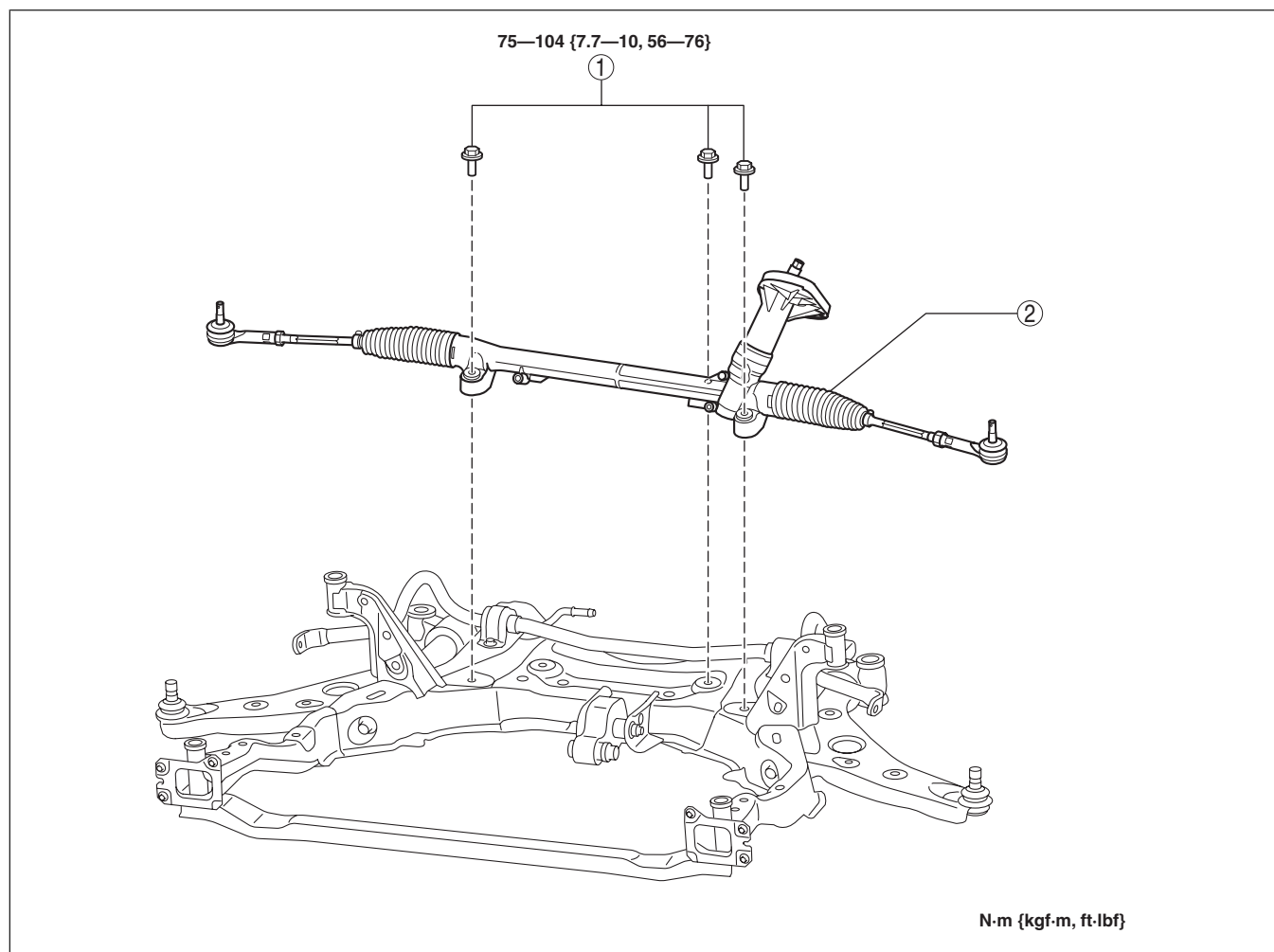
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### Caution

- Performing the following procedures without first removing the ABS wheel-speed sensor may possibly cause an open circuit in the wiring harness if it is pulled by mistake. Before performing the following procedures, disconnect the ABS wheel-speed sensor connector (axle side) and fix the wiring harness to an appropriate place where it will not be pulled by mistake while servicing the vehicle.
- Secure the steering wheel using tape or a cable to prevent the steering shaft from rotating after disconnecting the steering shaft. If the steering wheel rotates after the steering shaft and the steering gear and linkage are disconnected, the internal parts of the clock spring could be damaged.

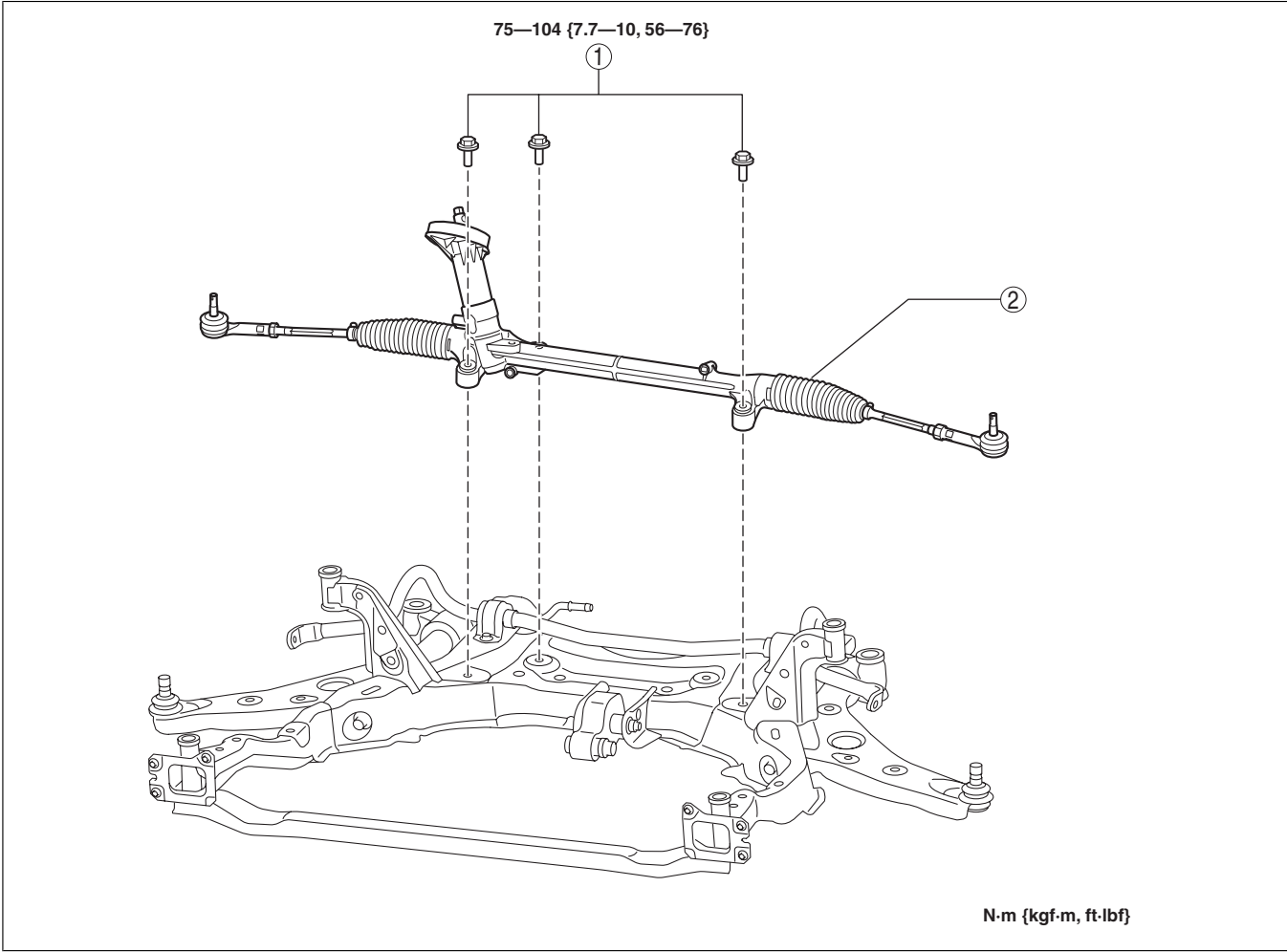
1. Remove the joint cover. (See STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
2. Disconnect the intermediate shaft from the steering gear and linkage. (See STEERING WHEEL AND COLUMN REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
3. Disconnect the front ABS wheel-speed sensor wiring harness installed to the steering knuckle and set it aside. (See FRONT ABS WHEEL-SPEED SENSOR REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
4. Remove the front under cover No.2. (See FRONT UNDER COVER No.2 REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
5. Remove the front under cover No.1. (See FRONT UNDER COVER No.1 REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
6. Remove the splash shield. (See SPLASH SHIELD REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
7. Remove the front crossmember component. (See FRONT CROSSMEMBER REMOVAL/INSTALLATION.)
8. Remove in the order indicated in the table.
9. Install in the reverse order of removal.
10. After installation, inspect the front wheel alignment. (See FRONT WHEEL ALIGNMENT.)

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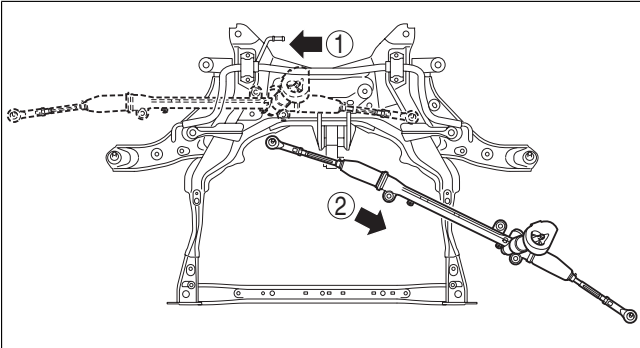
1	Steering gear and linkage installation bolt
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2	Steering gear and linkage (See Steering Gear and Linkage Removal Note.)
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**Steering Gear and Linkage Removal Note**

1. Remove the steering gear and linkage installation bolts, move the steering gear and linkage in the direction and order of the arrows shown in the figure, and then remove it.

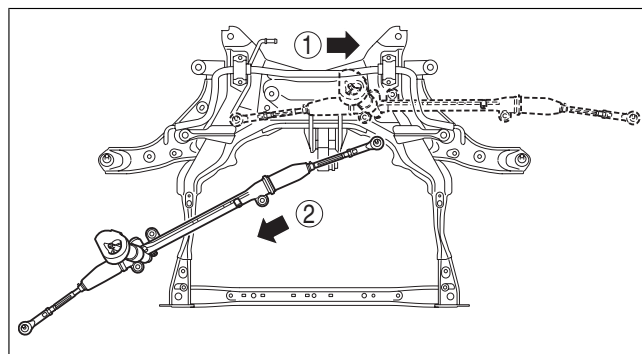
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