



**Chen - Wang group Archives
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Creator Chen - Wang group

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Language list

Language of Material Chinese

Context

Historical Note

Originated in the 1980s in the People's Republic of China as a discussion group; named after the political dissidents Chen Ziming and Wang Juntao, two of its founding members; as editors of an unofficial magazine, Chen and Wang have been involved in the Democracy Wall Movement of 1978-1979, advocating democracy and freedom of the press; unofficial candidates in local elections in 1980; founders of some independent scientific research institutes in the 1980s; the Chen-Wang group, including its key member Min Qi, joined the student protest movement in 1989 which culminated at the Tian'anmen Square in Beijing; after the suppression of the movement by force, members of the group were arrested; Chen and Wang were sentenced to 12 to 13 years prison terms; both were released on parole in 1994.

Content and Structure

Content

Collection of Min Qi consisting of documents relating to the research institutes of the Chen-Wang group, including documents relating to staff meetings; regulations; documents on appointments; texts of interviews with some key members on their political and intellectual position; research and publication proposals; articles and essays written by key members, some of which have never been published; media reports of conferences and other activities by their institutes.

Subjects

Geographic Names

China

Persons

Min Qi

Themes

Education

Censorship

Material Type

Archival material

Access and Use

Access

Not restricted

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