**Introduction Writing Assignment (Week 12)**

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* **My research question:**

**Why is it necessary to build the Great Fire Wall of China and how could we reduce its shortcomings?**

* **English article(s) related to my research question (Please use APA style to list your reference):**

**[1] Taneja, H., & Wu, A. X. (2014). Does the Great Firewall really isolate the Chinese? Integrating access blockage with cultural factors to explain web user behavior. *The Information Society*, 30(5), 297-309. https://doi.org/10.1080/01972243.2014.944728**

**[2] Yang, Q., & Liu, Y. (2014). What’s on the other side of the great firewall? Chinese web users’ motivations for bypassing the Internet censorship. *Computers in Human Behavior*, 37, 249-257. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chb.2014.04.054**

**[3] Zheng, Y., & Wang, Q. (2020). Shadow of the great firewall: The impact of Google blockade on innovation in China. *Strategic Management Journal*, 41(12), 2234-2260. https://doi.org/10.1002/smj.3179**

**(may be enriched later)**

* **The working title (暂定标题) for my essay:**

**We need a “wall” with a “window”.**

* **Introduction (150-200 words):**

**A few weeks ago, when everyone was talking about *Squid Game*, it may arouse your interest and therefore you decided to watch it. While you skillfully searching this drama on carry websites, will it suddenly occur to you that netizens thousands of miles away were watching it on a website called *Netflix*. GFW(the Great Firewall) is performing its duties during that process by blocking some web addresses. At first, you may complain about this policy for inconvenience. Some foreigners also consider GFW as a reflection that China is lack of freedom of speech and closed. But after thinking for a while, it is not hard to conclude that though not perfect, GFW plays an essential and beneficial role in our daily life. As a matter of fact, GFW maintains our national stability, reduces the influx of undesirable information, prevents the disclosure of national secrets, and ensures a sound development environment for domestic Internet companies. Yet with the rapid development of Internet and improvement of people's educational quality, GFW may need to be updated to a more open version. (There might be some changes in the final version.)**