# Memoir of China Reawakening: A Witness to a Nation's Extraordinary Transformation

China's remarkable transformation over the past four decades has been a source of fascination and study for scholars and laypeople alike. From a closed and impoverished nation to a global economic powerhouse, China's journey has been nothing short of extraordinary. In his memoir, "Memoir of China Reawakening," Cheng Enfu, a veteran Chinese journalist, provides a unique and intimate account of this extraordinary chapter in Chinese history.



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#### **China's Transformation Under Deng Xiaoping**

Cheng Enfu's memoir begins with the tenure of Deng Xiaoping, the architect of China's economic reforms. Deng's pragmatic and market-

oriented policies, known as the "Reform and Opening-up" policy, ushered in an era of unprecedented economic growth and social change in China.

Cheng, who was a foreign correspondent for Xinhua News Agency at the time, witnessed firsthand the dramatic changes taking place in the country. He describes the dismantling of the collectivized economy, the emergence of private businesses, and the rapid urbanization of Chinese cities.

#### Jiang Zemin's Leadership and the Rise of China

After Deng's retirement, Jiang Zemin became the paramount leader of China. Under Jiang's leadership, China continued its economic liberalization and entered the World Trade Organization. Cheng, who became the president of Xinhua News Agency during Jiang's presidency, provides insights into Jiang's strategic thinking and his efforts to modernize China's military and diplomatic relations.

Cheng also documents the challenges that China faced during Jiang's tenure, including the financial crisis in Asia and the SARS outbreak. However, he argues that Jiang's leadership laid the foundation for China's rise as a global power.

#### Hu Jintao's Era of Scientific Development

Hu Jintao succeeded Jiang Zemin in 2003. Hu's presidency was marked by a focus on promoting sustainable development, social equality, and environmental protection. Cheng, who retired from Xinhua News Agency in 2008, provides a nuanced analysis of Hu's policies and their impact on Chinese society. Cheng praises Hu's efforts to improve the living standards of the Chinese people and to address income inequality. He also acknowledges the challenges that China faced during Hu's tenure, including the global financial crisis and rising social unrest.

#### Xi Jinping's Rise and China's New Era

Xi Jinping became the paramount leader of China in 2012. Under Xi's leadership, China has embarked on a new era of reform and development, characterized by a focus on innovation, technological advancement, and a more assertive foreign policy.

Cheng, who has remained an active observer of Chinese politics, offers his insights into Xi's leadership style and his vision for China's future. He believes that Xi is a strong and determined leader who is committed to making China a global superpower.

In "Memoir of China Reawakening," Cheng Enfu provides a sweeping and intimate account of China's transformation over the past four decades. He offers unique insights into the challenges and opportunities that China has faced, and the leadership styles of the country's top leaders.

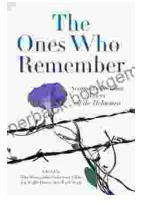
Cheng's memoir is an invaluable resource for anyone seeking to understand modern China. It is a must-read for scholars, policymakers, and anyone interested in the extraordinary journey of one of the world's most important and fascinating countries.

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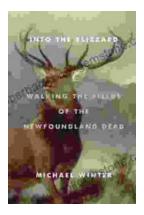
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