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Dear Antonie and Anna,

I am reaching out to you for a project on how to make a DIY VPN in China.

The project is called Channel Channel, which refers to channeling Internet traffic. Last May, I installed a VPN software on a Raspberry Pi connected to the router in my house in Rotterdam. A VPN client is installed on my phone and laptop. In this way, when I use my devices in Beijing, my traffic can be routed back to Rotterdam, accessing sites that are blocked in Beijing. In May, I thought of developing this project in a public context, addressing both 1. the feasibility of maintaining DIY VPN infrastructures, and 2. the politics of censorship and accessibility.

In the past few months I tested the project further, by presenting it at Our Networks Conference in Toronto, and Zine Camp in Rotterdam. A recorded talk on the project played at [http://www.foshan-1992.pw/ongoing-Channel\\_Channel/channel\\_channel\\_our\\_networks\\_lightening\\_talk.mp4](http://www.foshan-1992.pw/ongoing-Channel_Channel/channel_channel_our_networks_lightening_talk.mp4)

By bringing the project into a collaborative context, I want to address a potential for plurality, in questions such as - what does it mean to own your VPN network, instead of opting for payable subscriptions? I found that I:Project Space's agenda will greatly enrich the understanding of this question. Realistically, the project will comprise of building DIY VPNs for those who need (from my experience the residency artists traveling from abroad especially), and to have discussions in formats of interviews, talks, or writings.

Hope to hear from you,  
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