

# Dynamic Internet Technology Inc. - Media Giraffe Profile

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Bill Xia - President

"At the first look, it is a technical question if technology can break through China's Cyber wall. In fact it is not. This process is a race of technology and time. As DynaWeb's experience has demonstrated, both parties can always implement new technologies to stay ahead and sustain the advantage . . . technology along won't decide the future of China's Cyber Wall. But people do. If all Chinese people would like to obtain uncensored information, the cyber wall will be broken, from the inside."

*Chungen "Bill" Xia, in a March 4, 2002 statement to a U.S. congressional commission"*

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## About

Bill Xia is president of Dynamic Internet Technology Inc., a Virginia-based company which helps Chinese web users to get around the firewalls which that nation has erected to control access to information on the Web.

"DynaWeb was launched on March 12, 2002. It is a proxy network that allows users to circumvent the Internet censorship in China and to have secure and full access to the Internet," Xia said in the text of a Nov. 4, 2002 talk to a U.S. congressional committee. "Users use DynaWeb as an information web portal to all other web sites. Since the inception of DynaWeb, we have managed to stay ahead of the censorship by China most of the time. 20,000 unique users gained regular unblocked access to the Internet through us. "

Xia left China in the 1990s, and attended Ohio State University. Xia appeared June 5, 2003 before the U.S. China Economic and Security Review Commission.

The Wall Street Journal described Xia's efforts in a Feb. 13, 2006 story.

On Feb. 26, 2006, The Associated Press profiled Xia's company and agreed to his request that his exact location in North Carolina not be included. Xia says this is in order to make it more difficult for the Chinese embassy to track him down.

The AP story said, in part:

Xia was studying physics in an Ohio graduate school in the 1990s when he joined Falun Gong, a group that combines calisthenics with spiritual cultivation. The Chinese government banned Falun Gong as a subversive organization in 1999. In July 1999, when China started to imprison and punish Falun Gong practitioners, Xia noticed the discrepancy between his own experience in Falun Gong and news about it from China, which branded it an evil cult. "I started to see the need to let people access uncensored info," said Xia, who is in his early 30s and agreed to be interviewed on the condition that the city where he lives and works not be disclosed. In February 2002, the company started a pilot project with the U.S. government not described on

its Web site. The following month, it unveiled a tool that disguises Web sites so they can slip past China's firewall filters. Each day, the company sends out e-mail to millions of Chinese Internet users with links to the Web pages of Human Rights in China and the United States-sponsored Voice of America and Radio Free Asia. Visits to the sites jump whenever Chinese citizens perceive a government cover-up, as during the initial outbreak of a deadly respiratory virus in 2003 or the reported shooting of protesting villagers in December. Over the past three years, the U.S. Broadcasting Board of Governors, which oversees Voice of America and Radio Free Asia, has directed about \$2 million to Xia's company for the e-mail service. The spending also supports technology that continuously changes Web addresses to escape Chinese government shutdowns."

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