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1. Updated Thread on:

A, Wuhan Seafood Market Positive Environmental Samples, B. Early Local Reports about Animals at the Market

C. CCP Censorship and Police harassment of local activists uploading censored news reports to GitHub.

The original thread was a mess!

2. CCP Censorship & Police harassment of local activists uploading censored news reports to GitHub.

It all started with a simple search query:

"market" "animal" on a github database:

<https://t.co/q2HxuUuHKA>

Only to find that it had been deleted on github due to CCP pressure!

3. Github is Censorship proof, right?

It does not get deleted! But..

<https://t.co/k7BJWUgWDq>

Arms get Twisted!

<https://t.co/ckzicj7NIE>

Please remember these brave young activists for creating a permanent record of censored news from the early days while CCP rewrites history



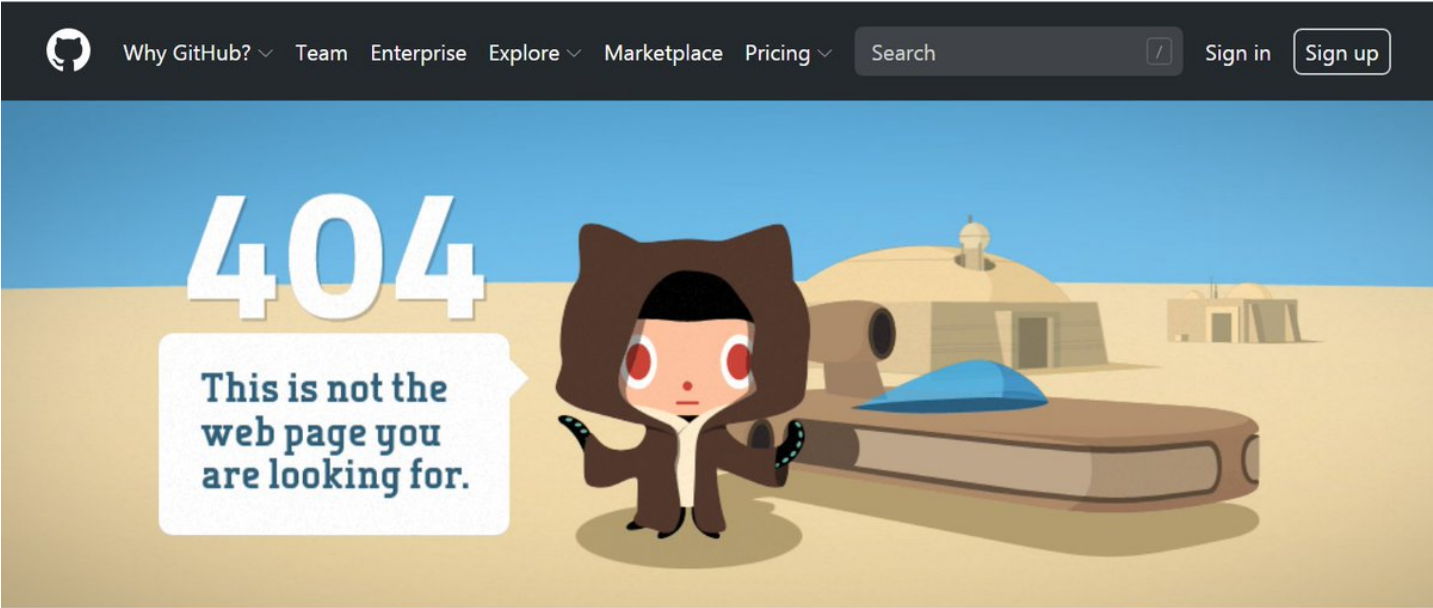
4. What a shock!

But thanks to the very nature of GitHub, "forks" and "clones" had been made & saved.

The best one is here:

<https://t.co/ZWiyWK9SAa>

Obviously all in Chinese ;) but tks to Google Chrome we can right click translate to English & find archived scrubbed Chinese news



5. "This is an archive of in-depth reports and personal narratives on the COVID-19 outbreak in China"

Contains media reports, non-fictional works and personal narratives related to the 2020 coronavirus pneumonia.

Part of the archive is provided by netizens, I am grateful.

6. The best repository with working links is here:

<https://t.co/ZWiyWK9SAa>

Don't bother with the Web Archive Version, many of the links do not work, so it is not very useful:

<https://t.co/VZi8YDIq1Z>

7. Not the only Censored News Memory Project!

<https://t.co/XRdQoMDcjp>

In case this gets scrubbed, an archived version is here:

<https://t.co/ybPkZ1KzW1>

8. Links to Early Censored News Reports (Have Fun!)

Epidemic & Public Opinion: Wuhan Pneumonia Timeline Dec 1st 2019 - April 6 2020

<https://t.co/szIFHT80H4>

Lest we forget:

<https://t.co/wEkgBVAE9A>

Telegram:

<https://t.co/mE02KOARv4>

Another Timeline Project:

<https://t.co/zyA9VCy76N>

9. Archives

7.6 GB download here:

<https://t.co/Z8mvyR8QbS>

Another archive:

<https://t.co/WTYxmWWwZq>

Backup Invashom:

<https://t.co/IG9IGEQhHg>

Backup

<https://t.co/Fd6lnkOqG2>

Complete China Timeline 01/12/19 - Now:

<https://t.co/bcve7q2sF8>

Another archive:

<https://t.co/1qET6zwnrh>

10. No Time to check these so help yourself

Lest we Forget Timeline:

<https://t.co/IR17ZOcOjk>

<https://t.co/jDWhua8UUj>

News Archive

<https://t.co/90A3axx9HY>

Google Docs Archive

<https://t.co/jBP25ofTyI>

Individual Stories:

<https://t.co/JPvvgBn7Dv>

Weibo Archive?

<https://t.co/1Opkhiw37W>

11. Chinese media reports archive

Workers under the epidemic:

<https://t.co/HuQLXvzaU6>

NCove Chinese Memory all Clones:

<https://t.co/JpK3FkqB2V>

Memories of New Pneumonia 2020:

Media Reports & Non-fiction

<https://t.co/mG0DQCQC5X>

Another NCov Memory repo:

<https://t.co/C3dfhCx4ev>

12. Nearly Finished

<https://t.co/c1FSnQ5u9A>

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<https://t.co/yQJ1k64KEU>

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<https://t.co/vem3iuMbFY>

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<https://t.co/jBP25ofTyI>

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<https://t.co/eoLYqUrpzH>

Diaries

<https://t.co/xDmwLTqobK>

Telegram:

<https://t.co/mE02KOARv4>

Archive:

<https://t.co/XTwwhVkvI5>

That's it!

Now for Part B:

Early Local Reports about Animals at the Market

Article provides background into networks of influence, political patronage & finance

"History of the Yu's family wealth & growth of South China seafood market"

Removed by censors, archive:

<https://t.co/bKNEWax44t>



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14. Detailed article on animals sold at seafood market

"Popular animal husbandry and game" does exist, and the store is closed after the market is closed"

"The stall involved in "Popular Livestock Game" has been closed"

<https://t.co/CoUBWxvM5W>

15. Public information shows there are legal stalls selling wildlife at Market. Online pictures show 42 game products sold by "Public Livestock", bamboo rats, dog beaver badgers, raccoon badgers, civets, foxes, koalas, peacocks, geese, etc. Quick frozen & delivered to your door.

16. Law enforcement personnel conduct carpet inspections of 8 merchants selling tiger frogs, snakes, hedgehogs, and other animals, inspecting their wildlife business license approval documents and prohibiting them from operating wild animals without approval.

17. Wild Animals-Gao

1. Shop owner, Li, told reporters, market stalls selling wildlife concentrated in the central West corridor.

2. Gao Fu, Director of CCDC said source of the new coronavirus virus is in the South China seafood market, and that wild animals play a key role in it

18. Academician Zhong Nanshan, leader of National Health and Safety Commission's high-level expert group pointed out that when live broadcast is connected to CCTV, it is not clear which animal is the source of the virus.

19. "According to the epidemiological survey, the virus comes from wild animals, and the most likely ones are bamboo rats and badgers."

<https://t.co/TSXKa6vsgP>

20. Wang Ping case

The "People" reporter interviewed Wang Ping, 46, who worked in the South China Seafood Market in Wuhan for four years. He was infected but was lucky.

"I felt the symptoms on the day of the shutdown of Seafood Market in Wuhan...."

<https://t.co/0ny2u4yl2h>

21. Wang Ping (cont)

"& I felt a little pain all over my body. I was still working that morning. When the seafood market was closed, I followed the boss to sell fish at another seafood market, "4 Seasons Market" in Hankou. I felt uncomfortable in afternoon & thought I had a cold"

22. Wang Ping (cont 3)

"I later thought that I might get the disease because I didn't wear a mask when working in the Seafood Market. I worked there for four years. At the beginning, I was selling vegetables. Later, I helped people move seafood, mainly salmon and seabass. "

23. Wang Ping (4)

I started working at 3 a.m. every day. I moved the seafood that was transported by the truck to the market door to the stall to sort fish , Until the end of ten o'clock in the morning, each month about 5,000 CNY (650 Euros) in income.

24. Wang Ping (5)

"The hygienic condition of our market is not very good. As soon as we walk in, the smell inside is quite big, an unspeakable smell. I haven't worn a mask at all after working in it for so long. How can I wear it?"

25. Wang Ping (6)

"There are more than 20 game meats sold in market, concentrated in a channel, snakes are piled up at door to sell & killed chickens & ducks are also sold at door, the ground is oily so we don't go that way, afraid of slipping"

(Wang Ping is a pseudonym)

26. Two eye witness reports

from local people living near the seafood market

(interesting but no information on animals):

1. a citizen observation from the core of the epidemic area <https://t.co/vOKpjuwPvU>

2. My home is very close to the seafood market:

<https://t.co/iq7MMcKlcg>

27. Back to the starting point of Wuhan pneumonia:

Who is the boss of the South China market selling game?

"21 days ago, on Jan 2, China Business Daily reported that there were suspected wild animals in the seafood market in South China"

<https://t.co/afYFXy6JmY>



28. Statement issued on September 25, 2019:

the local market supervision bureau had revealed that 8 companies hold approval documents for wildlife management licenses.

"Actually, they have illegally operated wild animal trade"

29. George Gao

We found the genome of the virus through detection of environmental samples from stalls of illegally operated wild animals"

Gao Fu, a member of the high-level expert group of the National Health and Health Commission on TV told the public

<https://t.co/QU6F9rmxW9>

30. Article continues with detailed information on ownership of the market, family scandals and other gossip

<https://t.co/afYFXy6JmY>

but then continues with a section titled: "Wild Animal Puzzle" which is of interest.

31. Wild Animal Puzzle

Prior to the emergence of the epidemic, relevant inspections confirmed that there were at least 8 merchants operating wild animals. But now, the relevant departments have denied issuing licenses for the management and use of wild animals to merchants.

大众畜牧野味

品名	价格	品名	价格	品名	价格	品名	价格	品名	价格	品名	价格
活孔雀	500/只	活鸭豚		活蝎子	500	狐狸肉	45	活豚鼠	40	鹿 肺	38
孔雀肉	350/只	活珍珠鸡		活蜗牛	15	活狼仔	75	活荷兰猪	40	鹿 血	100/瓶
活大雁	120	活贵妃鸡		蜗牛肉	30	狼仔肉	20/45	活藏香猪	30	鹿 筋	100
大雁肉	15	鹌 鹑	15/只	蜂 蛹	150	活果子狸	130	活豪猪	45	干鹿筋	150
去骨大雁肉	15	土 鸽	18/只	蚕 蛹	15	果子狸肉	70	活湘猪	30	鹿 茸	1500
活鸿雁		铁 雀		蚂 蚱	100/斤	活刺猬	18	香猪肉	25	鹿里脊	50
活火鸡	28	活白鹅		木 虫		刺猬肉	8/只	牦牛肉	30	袋装鹿肉	30
活斗鸡	500/只	香椿鸟	15/只	竹 虫	75	活狗狸猫	25	牦牛掌	45	鹿 鞭	400/根
活野鸡	60	活鸵鸟	4000/只	活竹鼠	85	活猪狸猫	28	骆驼肉	30	鹿 排	38
野鸡肉	35/只	鸵鸟肉	45	竹鼠肉	75	花猪肉	25	骆驼掌	45	活鹿子	55
斑 鸠	18/只	鸵鸟掌	80	活麝香鼠		活石头猪	30	骆驼峰	20	鹿子肉	40
竹 鸡	15/只	鸵鸟肾	45	活青根貂	60	狗子肉	25	活梅花鹿	50	娃娃鱼苗	60/斤
藏 鸡	9/只	鸵鸟蛋	150/个	活海狸鼠	30	杂交野猪肉	15	小活鹿	6000/只	娃娃鱼	65
线 鸡		野山羊	40/斤	袋鼠肉		野猪肚	120	鹿白条	35	活鳄鱼	40
育候鸟	15/只	毛野兔	25	松鼠肉		活野猪	25	冷鲜肉	38	鳄鱼肉	40
蜈 蚣	5/斤	金 蝉	70	活狐狸	500/只	野猪肉	26	鹿 腿	40	鳄鱼苗	250/只

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32. At least 8 merchants sell wild animals.

This can be seen from information released by the Wuhan Market Supervision Bureau in 2019:

"In the Seafood Wholesale Market, law enforcement officers checked 8 merchants that sell animals such as tiger frogs, snakes, hedgehogs, etc"

33. "There are more than a dozen merchants selling game in the Western District. The wild animals sold include wild ducks, snakes, hares, etc. Those shops are located in remote places, and I don't recognize some of the things they sell, and many people buy them every day."

34. Recently, an inpatient owner and relative from the South China Seafood Market said in an interview with the China Business Daily:

"the market is divided into east and west areas, and there are more than a dozen merchants operating wild animals in the western area alone."



35. (previous image of CCDC team on January 1, 2020, taking samples for inspection)

On January 1st, when our reporter, Zhang Jiazhenshe, went to South China Group (who own the market) for an interview, personnel from the local propaganda department stopped him.



36. Massive Corruption - Forestry & Wildlife Officials

Wuhan City Garden and Forestry Bureau, stated that it had not issued a license for the use of wild animals to the South China Seafood Market.

<https://t.co/afYFXy6JmY>

37. According to Xinhua 2015, the case of corruption in forestry system in Danjiangkou City, Hubei, originated from Zhang Zhengxue, deputy head of management:

" After ordinary cadres sigh: "I thought it was a cold hall, and did not expect to be able to bite off so much money!"

38. According to CCTV reports, in 2018, in a case of trafficking in wild animals announced by the Forest Public Security Bureau of Jiangxi Province, there were more than 17,000 animals involved, and the sales network covered 15 provinces across the country.

39. The task force revealed that many public officials participated in the sale. There are staff members of the wildlife protection and management department that illegally issue transportation certificates for criminals and act as an umbrella to facilitate criminal activities.

40. Hubei Daily (2015) reported that Zhou Zhanhong, former party group member & chief economist of Wuhan Municipal Administration of Industry & Commerce was arrested on suspicion of abuse of power & bribery, but no trial information has been seen since.

<https://t.co/afYFXy6JmY>

41. A story of low wages, corruption, political patronage, family scandals, Macau casinos, bamboo rats, badgers, tiger frogs, hedgehogs, wild ducks, hares, seabass, salmon, snakes, slippery paths, 8 illegal wildlife merchants, cover ups and above all of animal & human suffering.

42. That's it!

Much tidier than the original thread

<https://t.co/LSEVamJ0dH>

with added section on github archives of censored news reports and personal testimonies from China.

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My Tedious Research Thread on Wuhan Seafood Market Positive Environmental Samples and possible links to Animals

Search query: "market" "animal" on cloned github database (deleted on github due to CCP) here:

<https://t.co/zWP554GZMU>

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