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Zhu Xueqin is a leading liberal Chinese scholar from Shanghai. He was lecturing in Zhengzhou, the capital of Henan Province, when, on 8 November 1997, Qian Yongxiang/Sechin Y.-S. Chien called him and told him the news of IB's death. In his obituary Zhu recalled that in the 1980s IB's *Four Essays on Liberty* and *Russian Thinkers* were very popular in China's universities, and that this was the first time his generation learned from English political thought. He and his contemporaries were strongly influenced by Hayek as well as by IB. For his generation, apart from IB's studies of Russian thinkers, the distinction between positive and negative liberty was the most important idea. He wanted to ask IB one question: How could one change a country like Russia from the bad 'positive liberty' to the good 'negative liberty'? The best memorial to IB might be to respect his awareness of the issues, to reveal his concrete context, and to use his thoughts creatively in different contexts.