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GHOST MAIL FROM TAIWAN

45' (GER, FRE, ENG subs)

Sending spirit mail to the deceased has become a lucrative business. Can the ancient tradition be preserved?

Merely 180 kilometers separate mighty China from the modest island of Taiwan in the western Pacific. Like almost everywhere in East Asia, people here passionately believe that death is followed by reincarnation. Because of this, the deceased continue to be a part of everyday life for the living. People communicate with them via meaningful spirit mail. Unfortunately, this cult has become a lucrative business. Can the ancient tradition be preserved, or will spiritual cults become a part of pop culture?

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