China Should Alphabetize Its Writing

China is the only country in the world that does not use an alphabet in its writing. China's clumsy, archaic pre-alphabetic writing system which requires the learning of 1000s of characters instead of two dozen letters, will obviously be rejected by the rest of the world as China becomes the dominant culture this century. This essay argues that the world community should pressure China to alphabetize its writing the same way as Vietnam did a few decades ago.