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Miner argues that this version of events, while not wholly untrue, is incomplete. Using newly opened Soviet-era archives as well as

neglected British and American sources, he examines the complex and profound role of religion, especially Russian Orthodoxy, in the policies

of Stalin's government during World War II.Miner