

Marxism-Leninism and Egyptology. A View from Kyiv

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The photo represents the exhibition of so-called Antireligious Museum (in which the Church of the Exaltation of the Cross had

been converted in 1920s-1930s), an Egyptian mummy of a crocodile was exhibited together with mummified human and animal remains from Ukraine and from other civilizations as the objects of the antireligious propaganda. The photo also contains citations from the works by V. Lenin and F. Engels relating to the religion as a tool for exploitation of the working class.