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TOWARD A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF...

RUSSIA:  
A EURASIAN ANOMALY  
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The purpose of this work is to conduct an analysis on Russian culture. Russian culture has for centuries invited multiple attempts to define it, without any single theory ever attaining a permanent dominance accepted by the majority of people. This work will look at definitions of various civilizations, as well as the history of Russia and personal field notes from a summer spent by the author in Russia, traveling from Smolensk to Vladivostok.