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## Statuette of Lenin, Seated & Writing, in Glazed Porcelain, by Dulevo Factory, circa 1950s.

Measures approx. 7 ½" tall to the tip of Lenin's cap, the base is approx. 5 ½" x 3 ½". Weighs nearly 2 lbs. Lenin is depicted seated outdoors (wearing a long coat and his signature visor cap) in a relaxed pose and with a subtle smile on his face, writing something. Possibly one of his Red Terror orders to the newly formed VChK. For example, his August 9, 1918 order to "make the utmost effort to immediately organize mass terror and execute [the enemies] by firing squad. Not a minute of delay". The statuette is unmarked but was definitely made by Dulevo Porcelain Factory, original model by sculptor P. Sorokin.

There is a similar porcelain statuette of Lenin seated and writing, by LFZ, Lomonosov Porcelain Factory. It is larger in size, in bisque porcelain, Lenin is not wearing his visored cap, and of course, it is by a different sculptor. The LFZ statuette, entitled Lenin in Smolny is much more common than this one. The Dulevo statuette is rather scarce.

In excellent, superb condition. Two minuscule hairlines to the top of the back of the chair start and finish the description of wear.

Overall, this magnificent piece can serve as an excellent focal point for a Soviet collection.

Dulevo Porcelain Factory is the biggest Russian facility producing a wide assortment of porcelain and faience household, presentational and purely decorative items. It was founded in 1832 by a Russian merchant, Terentiy Kuznetsov. By the end of the 19th century, the Kuznetsovs had created a porcelain manufacturing empire producing 75% of all Russian porcelain and faience, famous for its high standards of quality. In 1918, the factory was nationalized and renamed into Dulevo Newspaper Pravda Porcelain Factory. The factory stayed open during WW2 manufacturing items needed for the war effort. In the post-Soviet period, the factory first was in co-ownership by its personnel but in 2012 was bought out by a couple of private Russian entrepreneurs.

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