*/translation from Russian into English language/*

Sheet of Honor

Full name: TARAN Semyon Ivanovich

Military grade: Senior Sergeant

Position and division: Assistant for the Detachment Commander of the 651st Construction Regiment

is honored with the order of the RED STAR

1. Year of birth: 1918 2. Nationality: Ukrainian

3. Started to serve for the Red Army: 1940 4. Belongs to the Party: no

5. Participated in the military operations (date, time) World War II

6. Previous honors: no

7. Wounds or contusions: no

8. Military Registration and Enlistment Office: Krasnodar Military Registration and Enlistment Office

9. Permanent home address of the Honored/his family:1556 Field Post the 651st Construction Regiment

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSONAL MILITARY DEED OR FEATS

During the military actions with the German Fascists Senior Sergeant Taran featured fortitude, courage and heroism.

Being the Division Commander and the Assistant for the Detachment Commander showed excellent results of execution of military orders to defeat German occupants.

Showed his personal example in encouraging the soldiers to defeat the enemies in the region of Pervomaisk, Greygovo, etc.

During the offensive battles TARAN executed the position of the Detachment Commander .

During the offensive battles in NOVO-PLATONOVKA-NOV.-ALEKSANDROVKA in the first echelons TARAN and his detachment provoked great loss for the enemies: 40 soldiers and officers were killed or wounded, 2 machine-guns and 1 mine thrower, also a big number of other guns captured.

TARAN’S Detachment suffered a small loss.

Senior Sergeant Taran was honored with the Order of the Red Star for his fortitude, courage and heroism.

THE 96TH DIVISION COMMANDER THE 96TH DIVISION MILITARY COMMISAR

HERO OF THE SOVIET UNION /signed/ REGIMENT COMMISAR

GENERAL MAJOR SAVADASHEVSKIY

25 January, 1942

Military Committee Conclusion:

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THE 37TH ARMY COMMANDER MILITARY COMMITTEE MEMBER

AVIATION GENERAL MAJOR /signed/ SECTION COMMISAR

SHEVCHENKO POPOV

27 January, 1942

Military Front Line Committee Conclusion:

1 February, 1942 No. 092/n

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