AWARD CITATION

1. Surname, name and middle name SHELUD'KO NIKOLAJ IVANOVICH

2. Rank Guars private

3. Position and unit Scout, 52 Guards separate reconnaissance company,

51 Guards rifle division.

is recommended for order "RED BANNER"

4. Birth year 1914

5. Nationality Ukrainian

6. Party membership VKP(b) member candidate

7. Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war

8. Wounds and contusions Two light wounds

9. In Red Army service since 27 June 1941

10. Drafted by which induction station Ochimrissky district military commissariat

11. Previous awards Order "Red Star", medal "For Bravery"

12. Awardee's and his family permanent intentionally obscured home address

I. Brief and specific description of the personal feat or merits

On 18 July 1943, comrade SHELUD'KO and the detachment were sent for a reconnaissance mission to the village Kochatovka, where they encountered enemy armour force of 16 tanks and large number of vehicles loaded with ammunitions. Not wasting any time, comrade SHELUD'KO attacked with his hand grenades. 4 vehicles detonated, the tanks retreated in panic, the other German drivers began demolishing their trucks thinking they were surrounded by Russians.

On 31 July 1943, comrade SHELUD'KO received a mission to capture an enemy prisoner-informant at any cost. Comrade SHELUD'KO with three other soldiers approached undetected the enemy trenches under the cover of darkness. In a decisive assault they ruched the trench where they engaged the enemy in a hand to hand combat. Firing his hand pistol, comrade SHELUD'KO killed an enemy officer and a soldier, and destroyed an enemy heavy machine-gun with a grenade. He brought 2 Fritzes home with him.

Comrade SHELUD'KO deserves state award order "RED BANNER".

Commander of 52 Guards separate reconnaissance company

Guards Captain signature /LYSYUK/



He deserves order "RED BANNER"

Commander of 51 Guards rifle division

Guards Colonel signature /SUKHOV/

16 August 1943

He deserves order "RED BANNER"

Commander of 23 Guards rifle corps

Guards Colonel signature /TAVARTKILADZE/

20 August 1943

He deserves order "RED BANNER"

Commander of 6 Guards Army
Guards Lt. General
signature /CHISTYAKOV/

Military council member of 6 Guards Army
Guards Colonel
signature /KASYANENKO/

06 September 1943





