## AWARD CITATION

Surname, name and middle name KOSTRITSA PAVEL AKIMOVICH 1.

2. Rank Master Sergeant

Position and unit 3. Mechanic-driver of a T-34 tank,

28 tank "L'viv" regiment, 16 Guards mechanised "L'viv" Red Banner brigade, 6 Guards mechanised "L'viv" Red Banner corps, 4 tank army, 1 Ukrainian front.

is recommended for order "GLORY III CLASS"

In Patriotic war:

Birth year 1917 4.

Nationality Ukrainian 5.

Party membership 6. None party member

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

Patriotic war

22.06.1941 - 15.11.1942; 10.04.1942 - 12.09.1942; 12.03.1943 - 21.08.1943; 04.03.1944 - now.

Wounds and contusions 8. None

In Red Army service since 9. May 1938

10. Drafted by which induction station Novo-Moskovsk district military commissariat,

Dniepropetrovsk region.

11. Previous awards None

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

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

In the combat engagement for the town Kielce (Poland) on 15 January 1945, comrade KOSTRITSA's tank crew destroyed an enemy heavy tank of the type T-V ("Pantera"). They let the enemy tank to the distance of 10-15 meters and destroyed it at the post blank range.

On 19 January 1945, his tank crew acted as a part of the forward reconnaissance detachment and was the first to rush into town Huta, Lodz district (Poland), where they destroyed 40 German troops, hit and burned an armoured personnel carrier, smashed 8 gun pieces, destroyed and burned 30 enemy vehicles, and captured intact 15 enemy vehicles.

Comrade KOSTRITSA deserves state award medal "GLORY III CLASS".

Commander of 28 tank "L'viv" regiment

24 January 1945 Guards Major /KURTSEV/ signature

Comrade KOSTRITSA deserves to be bestowed with order "GLORY III CLASS" Commander of 16 Guards mechanised "L'viv" Red Banner brigade 31 January 1945 Guards Lt.Colonel signature /MAKHNO/



## I award with order "GLORY III CLASS"

## Commander of 6 Guards mechanised "L'viv" Red Banner corps Guards Colonel signature /ORLOV/

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Awarded with order "GLORY III CLASS" by the decree # 05/n issued by 6 Guards mechanised "L'viv" Red Banner corps on 07 February 1945.

Head of personnel department

Guards Major of army service corps signature /KNYAZEV/
09 February 1945





