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## AWARD CITATION

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Rank Guards Sr. Lieutenant

Position and unit Aviation squadron navigator,

8 Guards bomber aviation regiment.

GALAYCHUK ILYA ANUFRIEVICH

## is recommended for order "PATRIOTIC WAR I CLASS"

Birth year 1. 1913, Vinnytsia region, Teplitsky district, vilalge Pchelnoe.

**Nationality** 2. Ukrainian

In Red Army service since 3. 1934

Party membership 4. VKP(b) member

Participation in combat 5. Southern front 22.06.1941 - 01.08.1942; (where, when)

Central front since 01.05.1943.

Wounds and contusions 6. None

Previous awards Order "Red Banner" 1938 for a special mission; Order "Red Banner" 1941. 7.

Drafted by which induction Teplitsky town military commissariat, Vinnytsia region. 8.

Awardee's and his family intentionally obscured permanent home address

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

He has been fighting in the Patriotic war on the southern front since its first days and until 01.08.1941. He made 102 combat sorties on the aircrafts SB and Pe-2, for which he was bestowed with order "Red Banner".

On the Orel-Kursk sector of the Central front during the period since 05 July 1943, he conducted 21 combat mission on A-20B aircraft piloted by Guards Captain SOKOLOV. Of these missions: 16 were effective missions corroborated by the aerial photographs, by the land troops, and by the dispatches from the commander of 16 Airforce. Comrade GALAYCHUK is proficient in navigating the path for the aircraft formations in any water conditions, such as rain and fog. He always laid proper course and brought the aircrafts to the home base.

On 09.07.1943, he led a group of 9 aircrafts in a mission against the enemy armour concentration in the village SOBOROVKA. The strike resulted in destruction of 4 enemy tanks and caused 11 large fires followed by secondary explosions. On 01.08.1943, he led a group of 9 aircrafts in a mission against the enemy armour concentration in the village KROMY. The group destroyed 10 vehicles and 2 ammunition depots, which is corroborated by the aerial photographs. On 03.08.1943, in the crew of Gu.Cpt. SOKOLOV, he led a group of 9 aircrafts in a mission against the enemy armour concentration in the village STRELETSKAYA. The strike resulted in destruction of 4 tanks and 2 depots (fuel and ammunition). Above the designated target, they were attacked by 8 Me-109 and Fw-190. Thanks to good piloting skill and efficient coordination of defensive

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fire, the enemy attack was fended off and our aircrafts suffered no losses. On 04.08.1943, he led a group of 9 aircrafts in a ground strike against the enemy armour concentration in the village NARYSHKINO. 3 tanks and a large ammunition depot were destroyed (very large explosions wee spotted), which was corroborated by the aerial photographs  $N_{\rm o}$  4, 9, and 11.

For exhibited courage and bravery in the fight for the Motherland, he deserves state award - order "PATRIOTIC WAR I CLASS".

Commander of the 2nd aviation squadron

Guards Captain signature /SOKOLOV/

11 August 1943

He deserves order "PATRIOTIC WAR I CLASS"

Commander of 8 Guards bomber aviation division Guards Major signature /POPOV/

11 August 1943

He deserves order "PATRIOTIC WAR 2 CLASS"

Commander of 221 bomber aviation division Colonel signature /BUZYLEV/

16 August 1943

He deserves order "PATRIOTIC WAR 2 CLASS"

Commander of 6 all-purpose aviation corps Hero of soviet Union

Mi. General of airforce signature /ANTOSHKIN/

20 August 1943

He deserves order "PATRIOTIC WAR 2 CLASS"

Commander of 16 Airforce Lt. General of airforce signature /RUDENKO/

03 September 1943





