AWARD CITATION

- 1. Surname, name and middle name VELICHKO BORIS IVANOVICH
- 2. Rank Captain
- 3. Position and unit Reconnaissance officer, 753 artillery Red Banner regiment, 24 artillery brigade.

is recommended for order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY"

- 4. Birth year 1913
- 5. Nationality Russian

6. Party membership None party member

- Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war
 Wounds and contusions
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- 10. Drafted by which induction Krasnodar town military commissariat.
- 11. Previous awards
- 12. Awardee's and his family permanent home address

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

Medal "For Combat Merits" decree #2 on 15.02.1943 issued by 5 artillery division; order "Patriotic war II class" decree #053 on 30.11.1943 issued by Belorussian front; order "Patriotic war II class" decree #053 on 30.11.1943 issued by Belorussian front;

Comrade VELICHKO has been on the active front line duty since July 1942 and proved himself as a brave and courageous officer.

Comrade VELICHKO efficiently organised the artillery reconnaissance service during the preparation for the operation for enemy strong fortification line breakthrough in the sector Andrzejów - Kijanka - Szlachecki Las (Radom region). The enemy firing positions and the system of defence was reconnoitred. As the result of efficient work of the regiment reconnaissance personnel during 01-14 January 1945, there was gathered fully reliable intelligence information on 16 artillery batteries, 4 mortar batteries, 18 machine-gun positions, 6 pill boxes, 4 observation posts, 10 dugouts, a panzerwerfer, a nebelwerfer, and a catapult.

During 14.01.1945, comrade VELICHKO conducted continuous artillery reconnaissance of the enemy force concentrations and the firing positions, which were promptly hit and suppressed. Following the advance of our infantry among the forward fighting formation, comrade VELICHKO provided and corrected the targeting data, while being subjected to the enemy rifle, artillery, and mortar fire. This effort enabled successful advance of our infantry. As the result of efficient work of the regiment reconnaissance service, there were destroyed 5 enemy artillery batteries and 1 mortar battery, 9 artillery batteries and 7 sectors were suppressed, up to a regiment of names troops was scattered or killed.

For excellent organisation of the artillery reconnaissance service, for exhibited courage and bravery, comrade VELICHKO deserves order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY".

Commander of 753 artillery Red Banner regiment 18 January 1945 Lt. Colonel *signature* /SMIRNOV/





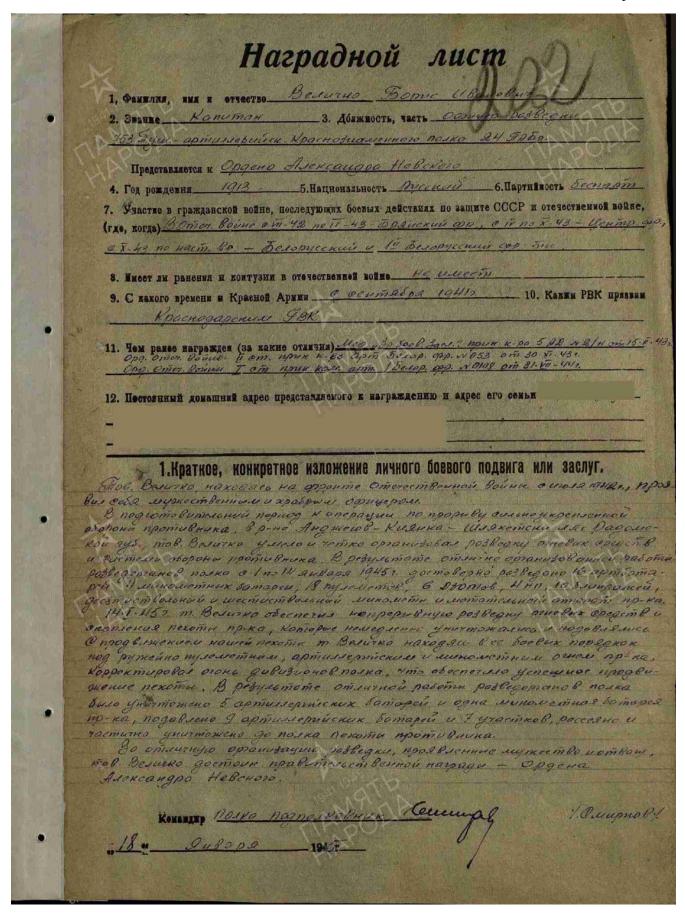
V. Conclusion of the award commission

VI. Award record

Awarded with order "BOGDAN KHMELNITSKY III CLASS" by the decree # 512/n issued by 1 Belorussian front division on 25 March 1945.

Head of personnel department of 1 Belorussian frontLt.Coloenl of army service corpssignature/VASILIEV/

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