AWARD CITATION

For engine section commander of the fleet minesweeper ЭМТЩ-17 of 16 squadron of fleet minesweepers Petty officer second class RAGULIN VASILIJ SEMYONOVICH

Medal "NAKHIMOV" according to the decree of the Black Sea Fleet on 14.12.1944

Birth year 1912 1.

2. Nationality Russian

3. Social background Worker

Party membership 4. None party member

In Red Army service since 5. 1941

Participation in combat 6. None

Wounds and contusions 7. Contused twice: 1941, 1943.

Previous award recommendations 8. Yes, in 1943.

Previous awards and commendations 9. Order "Patriotic war II class" for the Novorossijsk

None

operation in 1943.

Service in the White army or armies of 10.

capitalistic states, enemy captivity

Awardee's and his family permanent home address intentionally obscured 11.

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

Petty officer second class RAGULIN has been the engine section commander of the fleet minesweeper ЭМТЩ-17 since January 1944. During the period of the boat maintenance and refitting, he personally and his team locally repaired the main engine. In the period since 01 October 1944, comrade RAGULIN daily has been servicing the mechanisms making 13-14 hours shifts and, thus ensuring impeccable work of both the main and the electro-generator engines. After each minesweeping tour, comrade RAGULIN checked and repaired the engine for the next mission. Thanks to his diligent technical preparations, the fleet minesweeper ЭМТЩ-17 covered 1015 miles without any engine problems nor technical delays during one month of minesweeping in the Sevastopol arbor. After a minesweeping tour on 26 October 1944, the main engine required cylinder sleeve replacement in such a manner, that it would not delay the mission. Comrade RAGULIN accomplished this work in one night enabling the next planned mission on 27 October 1944. He worked much on clearing the Sevastopol harbour off the enemy mines. He deserves a state award - medal "NAKHIMOV".

> Commander of 16 squadron of fleet minesweepers Lt. Commander signature /KOROVKIN/



II. Conclusion of the superiors

I award him with medal "NAKHIMOV"

Commander of 1 squadron of minesweepers of the Black Sea Fleet

Commander signature /DUBROVDSKY/

12 December 1944

III. Conclusion of Army Military Council

IV. Conclusion of the Front Military Council

V. Conclusion of the award commission



