### AWARD CITATION

MIRONOV GRIGORY GRIGORIEVICH Surname, name and middle name

Rank Guards Senior Sergeant

Position and unit Komsomol organiser of 156 Guards rifle regiment,

51 Guards Lenin order Red Banner rifle division.

is recommended for the title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION"

Birth year 1922 1.

2. Nationality Russian

In Red Army service since 3. 1941

Party membership 4. VKP(b) member

Participation in the civil war and 5.

later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war

In Patriotic war since 01.01.1942

Wounds and contusions 6. None

7. Previous awards

Order "Red Star" decree #034/n by 23 Guards rifle corps on 09.02.1944; medal "For Combat Merits" decree #9/n by 274 Guards rifle regiment on 17.07.1943.

Drafted by which induction station 8. Ukhtomsk town military commissariat, Moscow region

Awardee's and his family 9. intentionally obscured permanent home address

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

Pursuing the retreating enemy, the regiment force crossed the river Western Dvina on 25.06.1944. The enemy occupied the left bank and barraged constantly the right river bank by the artillery, mortar, and machine-gun fire. Utilising improvised floating devices, a detachment under MIRONOV's command armed with machine-guns and grenades crossed to the left bank. The crossing troops were met with intensive fire, but their decisive assault allowed them to seize several enemy trenches. Engaging the enemy in firefight, allowed MIRONOV to draw the enemy attention. This allowed the battalion main force to cross the river in a short time and suffer only insignificant casualties and materiel losses.

In the battle on 30.06.1944, the battalion crossed a small river Ulla near the hill 147.1 near the village Belaya (Polotsk district, Vitebsk region). A superior enemy infantry force supported by "Ferdinand" type SPGs went into a counterattack. Comrade MIRONOV was among the 1st rile company and assumed the command, after the previous company commander was wounded and taken out of action. With their well coordinated fire, the troops under MIRONOV command fended off the attack. But the enemy did't rest after suffering losses. In the course of 30.06.1944, the enemy attempted 13 attacks, of which 8 were very ferocious ones. In a decisive moment of one of the enemy attacks, our machine-gunners were wounded and taken out of action. Comrade MIRONOV boldly assumed their



04 July 1944

/KHRABROV/

place and showered the enemy with bullets. And this enemy attack was fended off too and comrade MIRONOV eliminated 26 Fascists.

Our troops held the hill and the battalion and other units continued their offensive toward the town Polotsk.

He deserves state award - the title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION".

Commander of 156 Guards rifle regiment

Guards Lt. Colonel signature

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He deserves the title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION" Head often political department of 51 Guards rifle division Colonel signature /SHKURVA/

# Conclusion of the superiors

He deserves title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION"

Head of the political department of 23 Guards rifle corps Guards Colonel signature /FEDOSOV/

23 July 1944

He deserves title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION"

Commander of 23 Guards rifle corps
uards Lt. General signature /YERMAKOV/

29 July 1944

### Conclusion of the Army Military Council

He deserves title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION"

Commander of 6 Guards army
Guards Col. General
signature
/CHISTYAKOV/

Military council member of 6 Guards army
Hero of Soviet Union
Guards Mj. General signature
/CHISTYAKOV/

11 August 1944

### Conclusion of the Front Military Council

He deserves title "HERO OF SOVIET UNION"

Commander of 1 Baltic front General signature /CHISTYAKOV/ Military council member of 1 Baltic front Lt. General *signature* /LEONOV/

19 September 1944

Granted the title

Hero Of Soviet Union accompanied by order "LENIN" and medal "GOLD STAR"

decree 24.03.1945





