


**AWARD CITATION**

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| 1.  | Surname, name and middle name   | CHISTIKIN VLADIMIR IVANOVICH   |
| 2.  | Rank  | Lieutenant   |
| 3.  | Position and unit   | Mortar platoon commander, 2nd mortar company, 800 rifle "Prague" regiment, 143 rifle "Konotop - Korosten" Red Banner Suvorov order division. |
| is recommended for order "PATRIOTIC WAR II CLASS" |   |  |
| 4.  | Birth year  | 1925   |
| 5.  | Nationality   | Russian  |
| 6.  | Party membership  | VLKSM member since 1934. ID №18467748  |
| 7.  | Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war | Patriotic war since 15.09.1944 on 1 Belorussian front  |
| 8.  | Wounds and contusions   | Light wounds on 10.10.1944 near Marcelin of the Warsaw voivodeship.  |
| 9.  | In Red Army service since   | 01.04.1943   |
| 10.   | Drafted by which induction station  | Perskij district military commissariat, Saratov region.  |
| 11.   | Previous awards   | None   |
| 12.   | Awardee's and his family permanent home address                               | <i>intentionally obscured</i>  |

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

On 16 January 1945, platoon commander of the 2nd mortar company Lieutenant CHISTIKIN exhibited personal courage, initiative, and commander's wit in the operation for force crossing of the Vistula river near the settlement Janówek, Warsaw voivodeship.

The platoon under Lt. CHISTIKIN's command skilfully selected the firing positions and provided fire support to the advancing rifle troops and eliminated up to 15 German troops, suppressed 3 enemy machine-guns. When one of the mortar layers was wounded and taken out of action, Lt. CHISTIKIN replaced him and continued firing at the enemy. Acting boldly and decisively, the mortar platoon supported the troops crossing the river and was part of their success. For exhibited courage, bravery, and skilful command, Lt. CHISTIKIN deserves state award order "PATRIOTIC WAR II CLASS".

26 January 1945  Commander of 800 rifle "Prague" regiment  
 Captain *signature* /KOLOMIJCHENKO/





