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and a second	AWAR Surname, name and middle name	KOMAROV IVAN EVDOKIMOVICH
A.	Rank	Guards Captain
	Position and unit	Aviation squadron commander, 64 Guards fighter aviation Red Banner regiment.
is recommended for order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY"		
1.	Birth year	1918
2.	Nationality	Ukrainian 8
3.	In Red Army service since	1936
4.	Party membership	VKP(b) member since 1943
5.	Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war	Patriotic was since 22.06.1941
6.	Wounds and contusions	One severe and two light wounds
7.	Previous awards	Order "Patriotic war II class" decree N_001 on 26.12.1942 on 1 Guards fighter aviation corps; order "Red Banner" decree N_0013 on 17.03.1943 on Airforce Commands; order "Red Banner" decree N_031 on 19.07.1943 on 15 Airforce.
8.	Drafted by which induction station	Voroshilovgrad town military commissariat, Bokovo-Antracit district, village Bokovo-Platovo.
9.	Awardee's and his family permanent home address	intentionally obscured

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

Guards Captain KOMAROV I.E. has been participating in the Patriotic war as part of the 64 Guards fighter aviation Red Banner regiment since 18 September 1942. In this period, he conducted 183 combat missions, engaged in 44 air fights, in which he personally shot down 8 enemy aircrafts: 1 Me-109, 6 Fw-190, 1 Ju-87. He also achieved 4 air victories together with his wingman: 3 Me-109, 1 Ju-87. All the air victories are corroborated by the ground troops commanders (se decrees N_0N_01 ,9-1943 by 274 fighter aviation division; N_064 by 4 Guards fighter aviation division on 23.08.1943).

For the effective ground assault missions against the enemy ground troops and for achieving 2 group air victories, he was bestowed with order "Patriotic war II class" (decree No01 by 1 Guards fighter aviation corps on 26.12.1942).

For 65 successful combat missions, for 1 personally shot down enemy fighter aircraft, and 1 fighter and 1 bomber shot down in a group, he was bestowed with order "Red Banner" (decree N_0013 on 17.03.1943 on Airforce Commands).

For 4 personal air victories, he was bestowed with order "Red Banner" (decree No31 on 19.07.1943 on 15 Airforce).

Now, he is being recommended for his 4th award, order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY" for his exemplary organisation of the combat operations by his aviation squadron and for 3 personal air victories.

Comrade KOMAROV is an excellent fighter pilot, tactically experienced commander. Having extensive combat experience, he daily trains his young piloting personnel the art of aerial combat. In his training, comrade KOMAROV, stresses especially the necessity of providing effective escort to the ground assault and bomber aircrafts, fighting cohesively in a pair and a group formations, midair combat cooperation between the pairs in opposition to the enemy all purpose aviation formations. He diligently follows each pilots training progress, their conduct during the combat missions and their mistakes, which are thoroughly analysed immediately after landing. This improves the training and gives the pilot the required skills in avoiding dangerous situations in air battles and gaining advantage over the enemy in altitude and manoeuvrability for more effective attacks.

Effective training process and prompt analysis of the piloting mistakes during combat missions bore fruits: comrade KOMAROV's pilots shot down 27 enemy aircrafts only on the Bryansk and 1 Baltic fronts, loosing in return only 5.

Most typical air battles, in which comrade KOMAROV expressed his commander skills, occurred on the Bryansk front during the ground troops offensive, when each of the air combat mission was an encounter with a significantly superior enemy aviation force. The qualities, that allowed his unit to come out victorious were his commander's steadfastness and cool, effective midair governance and wit, personnel example of courage, and special attention to training in the preparation period.

On 19 July 1943, a group of 7 Yak-7 aircrafts led by comrade KOMAROV flew a ground troops cover mission. They encountered 4 Ju-87 escorted by 8 Fw-190. Following comrade KOMAROV order, our fighters pushed head on into the enemy air formation and scattered it preventing the enemy bombers in conducting precision strike. Ju-87 released their bombs in disarray and escaped seeking cover in clouds, but not before loosing 1 bomber. The enemy fighters also were not able to withstand the push and retreated into cloud cover, after losing 1 Fw-190. In this combat engagement, comrade KOMAROV presonnaly shot down 1 Ju-87 and 1 Fw-190.

On their second sortie on the same day, the same formation encountered 8 Ju-87 escorted by 10 Me-110 and 8 Fw-190. The enemy bombers were on the way to strike our ground troops. The Yak-7 formation followed comrade KOMAROV's order and bravery engaged the enemy. Despite such numerical superiority, the enemy could not withstand our energetic thrust. After having sporadically released the bombs over a forest, the enemy bombers ran into clouds and didn't return to the battlefield. Such dogfights were typical for comrade KOMAROV's squadron and occurred every day.

On 1 Baltic front, comrade KOMAROV took his squadron 26 times into combat escort missions. Their previous experience played its role here too. Our escorted ground assault aircrafts felt being properly protected and could concentrate on delivering punishing ground strikes, sustaining no losses themselves. They issued gratitudes to comrade KOMAROV for his excellent cover.

For exemplary organisation of the combat operations by the squadron, for extensive pilot training effort, for 27 destroyed enemy aircrafts by the squadron, for 3 personnel air victories, he deserves order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY".

Commander of 64 Guards fighter aviation Red Banner regiment 28 February 1944 Major of airforce *signature* /SURKOV/

EXCERPT

From the order №1 by 274 fighter aviation division on 03.01.1943

The air victories in the conducted air battles on 30.12.1942: 9. Captain GLUKHIKH, ... Lieutenant KOMAROV I.E: shot down 1 Me-109.

Corroborated by the ground troops commanders of 3 Shock army (see telegram №156 of the commander of 1 Guards fighter aviation corps on 02.01.1943).

Signed by the commander of 274 fighter aviation division Mj. SHAPOSHNIKOV.

Signed by the chief of staff of 274 fighter aviation division Col. MUZYKIN.

EXCERPT

From the order No9 by 274 fighter aviation division on 26.01.1943

The air victories in the conducted air battles on:

12. On 15.01.1943, Lieutenant KOMAROV I.E.: 1 Me-109 near station Chernozem. Corroborated by the ground troops command of 3 Shock army (see telegram of the commander of 1 Guards fighter aviation corps on 23.01.1943, based on telegram of №5919 by 3 Shock army on 23.01.1943).

Signed by the commander of 274 fighter aviation division Mj. SHAPOSHNIKOV. Signed by the chief of staff of 274 fighter aviation division Col. MUZYUKIN.

CERTIFICATE

On Lt. KOMAROV's combat performance in 127 fighter aviation reg. during 22.06 - 18.08.1941.

- Combat sorties: 44
- (17 missions for ground attacks, 7 for reconnaissance, 20 ground troops cover.) Combat flying time: 49h 49min. Shot down 2 enemy Me-109 aircrafts in a group. 3.

Signed by the chief of staff of 127 fighter aviation regiment Mj. KRIVUSCHRNKO.

EXCERPT

From the order No64 by 4 Guards fighter aviation division on 23.08.1943

According to the Peoples Commissariat of Defence resolution №0299, 0489 and 0680, the following flying personnel achieved air victories are to be issued monetary bonuses:

6. Bonus of 8000 roubles to the deputy aviation squadron commander Sr. Lt. KOMAROV for the enemy aircrafts: 6 Fw-190, 1 Ju-87 shot down on 12th-13th and 19th July 1943.

Signed by the commander of 4 Guards fighter aviation division Gu. Col. KITAEV. Signed by the chief of staff of 4 Guards fighter aviation division Gu. Col. MUZYUKIN.

For exemplary execution of the combat missions and exhibited courage and bravery, he deserves order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY".

03 March 1944

Commander of 4 Guards fighter aviation division Guards Colonel signature /KITAEV/

He deserves order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY".

Commander of 1 Guards fighter aviation corps 10 March 1944 Guards Mj. General of airforce signature /VELICHENKO/

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Авиационного Краснознаменного Полка
Представляется к ордену "АЛЕКСАНДР НЕВСКИЙ".
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3. С какого времени состоит 4. Партийность ЧЛ.ВКП/б/.с Т943 г.
в Красной Армии С 1936 Г:
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19.7.43 F./.
9. Постоянный домашний адрес Ворошиловградская обл. Боково-Антрацитовский
(представляемого к награж- дению или его семьи)р-н с. Боково-Цлатово.
1. Краткое, конкретное изложение личного боевого подвига или заслуг
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нооизвел 183 боевых вылета. провел 44 возлушных боя. в резуль-
- тате которых лично сбил 8 самолетов противника типа: Me-109 -1, B-190 -6, D-87 -1; в паре 4 самолета противника типа: Me-109 -3,
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