citation OPWII 420060 SUBBOTIN Order der "Alekson" Nevsky 45 AWARD		all lines are to be filled in
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1.22	Surname, name and middle name	ELAGIN VLADIMIR VLADIMIROVICH
2.	Rank	Captain
3.	Position and unit	Deputy commander of a rifle battalion, 497 rifle regiment, 135 rifle division.
is recommended for order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY"		
4.	Birth year	1920
5.	Nationality	Russian
6.	Party membership	VKP(b) member since 12.1941; ID Nº4264719
7.	Participation in the civil war and later in defence of USSR, in Patriotic war	Patriotic war: Leningrad front 03.08.1941 - 05.07.1943; 1 Ukrainian front 26.02.1944 - 08.06.1944; Leningrad front 08.06.1944 - 11.12.1944; 1 Ukrainian front since 11.12.1944.
8.	Wounds and contusions	None
9.	In Red Army service since	1940
10.	Drafted by which induction station	Dzerzhinsky district military commissariat, Krivoy Rog town.
11.	Previous awards	None
12.	Awardee's and his family permanent home address	intentionally obscured

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

On 25 January 1945, in the combat engagements of 1 Ukrainian front for the settlement Chrzanów, comrade ELAGIN's rifle battalion received a combat objective to seize control over the German fortified positions in the settlement Mysłyakowice. Having perform a bold manoeuvre, he seized the enemy fortified position in a swift assault, capturing prisoners of war and sustaining only insignificant casualties. Acting as battalion commander, comrade ELAGIN was efficient in leading his battalion.

On 26 January 1945, comrade ELAGIN's rifle battalion force crossed the river Przemsza during a combat engagement. The troops crossed the river to the western bank utilising the available ad hoc means. Then, with a bold attack, they captured the hill 279.0 and the settlement Imielin Jazd, thus flanking the enemy force defending in Dziećkowice Jazd and enlarging the bridgehead on the western bank. He is personally brave and decisive. Being present among the rifle fighting formation, he lead by personal example and inspires the troops for combat feats.

He deserves state award order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY".

01 February 1945

Commander of 497 rifle regiment Colonel signature

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## Award record

Awarded with order "ALEKSANDER NEVSKY" by the decree # 022/n issued by 59 army on 22 February 1945.

Head of the 2 section of personnel department of 59 army Major of army service corps *signature* /AMILKOVICH/ citation OPWII 420060 SUBBOTIN

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