**AWARD LIST**

1. Last name, first name, patronymic – Grachev, Ivan Filippovich
2. Military rank – Lieutenant Colonel
3. Position, unit – Chief of Staff, 12th Engineer-Sapper Brigade. Presented for the Order of the Red Banner
4. Year of birth – 1902
5. Nationality – Russian
6. Party membership – Member of the Communist Party since 1924
7. Participation in wars – Participated in the Civil War and the Great Patriotic War since 1941
8. Wounds or contusions in the Patriotic War – Not mentioned
9. In the Red Army since – 1921–1923, then again since 1924
10. Drafted by – Reserve Leningrad Military Commissariat
11. Previous awards – Medal “For the Defense of Leningrad”, 1944
12. Permanent address – [Redacted in original]

**1. Brief, specific description of the personal combat feat:**

Comrade Grachev has proven himself a competent, demanding, and disciplined officer in carrying out engineering tasks on the Bryansk, Belorussian, Volkhov, Leningrad, and 3rd Baltic fronts.

From September 25 to November 20, 1943, while leading operations to clear minefields for the Bryansk Front, Comrade Grachev demonstrated outstanding organizational skills. Despite challenging conditions and dispersed units, he managed the brigade and detachments effectively.

He personally implemented practical mine-clearing instructions, safety protocols, and work organization strategies. His leadership ensured that a highly dangerous and complex task was completed on time with high quality.

During this period, the brigade and attached units cleared over 1,000,000 mines, collected around 560,000 shells, 2,500,000 cartridges, and many other explosives. A total of 22,847 hectares, 3,500 populated areas, and 8,690 km of roads were cleared of explosive devices.

On the Volkhov Front, during the breakthrough of enemy defenses near Pervalovo, under Grachev’s leadership, crossings were built over the Volkhov River, including a 200-meter bridge, ensuring the advance of troops.

Along the Ista and Pola rivers from Dubrovinitsa, all equipment of the 39th Army was successfully moved, allowing the troops to flank enemy positions and bypass German defenses around Novgorod.

The construction of crossings over the Volovets and Volkhov rivers near Novgorod, along with mine clearance and engineering support for the advance towards Ostrov and Pskov, was carried out under Grachev’s direct and efficient coordination.

On May 31, 1944, near the village of Pridanikha, under orders from the Commander of the Leningrad Front, Grachev skillfully organized the crossing of the 7th Rifle Corps, overcoming technical and logistical delays.

He particularly distinguished himself during the June 1944 crossing of the Valina River on the Veshkai Island sector (within the 54th Army’s operational zone), where his leadership ensured the timely movement of tanks and other armored vehicles.

**Conclusion:**
For exemplary execution of command combat missions in providing engineering support to the troops, and for his initiative, diligence, and courage, Lieutenant Colonel Ivan Filippovich Grachev is worthy of the Order of the Red Banner.

**Deputy Commander of the 54th Army**
**Colonel Zaitsev**
**July 3, 1944**