

AWARDING SHEET

To fighter squadron pilot of 647th mixed army aviation regiment senior sergeant Antonyev Vacheslav Andreyevich for awarding by Red Banner order

- 1.Date of birth.....1923
- 2.Nationality.....Russian
- 3.Social statusemployee
- 4.Party membershipnonparty
- 5.Service with RKKA 1940
- 6.Participation in Civil war.....didn't participate
- 7.Wounds and contusions was wounded on 25th of June 1942
- 8.Previous nominations for awards never nominated
- 9.Awards and promotions doesn't have

A brief summary of a personal military feat or merit

During the short time of combat work comrade Antonyev shows himself as one of most brave pilots of fighter squadron. He carried out 24 combat flights: 7 of which were to attack enemy ground troops and technics and other 17 for reconnaissance and cover spotters.

During the flight, he is proactive, bold, and quickly and correctly navigates the situation.

On the 22nd of June 1942 acting as part of a group he conducted reconnaissance of the enemy's front line near Debal'tsevo. As a result of enemy's heavy anti-aircraft machine gun fire, the fuel tank of his plane was damaged. Despite the fact that gasoline was flooding the cabin and the pilot itself, comrade Antonyev brought successfully the aircraft to unit's airfield.

On the 25th of June 1942 while returning from a combat mission an enemy spotter aircraft «Henschel126» was detected, and despite of minimum fuel, was attacked, shot down and made an emergency landing on its own territory. Having returned to his airfield, he immediately refueled with fuel and ammunition and again took off on a combat mission within a group of 4 fighters. During the attack action they burned the plane on the ground and blew up two large ammunition depots. Comrade Antonyev demonstrated fearlessness and courage in this mission, boldly rushing into the attack despite the hurricane of anti-aircraft machine gun fire. During his next attack to the target, he was seriously wounded by an explosive bullet. Bleeding and overcoming pain, comrade Antonyev managed to bring the plane to unit's airfield, masterfully landed and then lost consciousness in the cockpit.

Comrade Antonyev is one of the disciplined pilots, knowledgeable and loving flying, he passes on his skills to his comrades. Demanding of himself, possesses the strong-willed qualities of a fighter pilot, and enjoys authority among his comrades. Devoted to the Lenin-Stalin Party and to the socialist Motherland. He never was a POW or surrounded, and is currently in his unit.

Conclusion: for exemplary execution of orders from the command on the front lines in the fight against German fascism and the courage and fearlessness demonstrated in doing so, comrade Antonyev deserves the government award of the Order of the Red Banner.

Commander of 647th maar

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1st of November 1942