

50th Anniversary of the 43rd Prishibskiy Border Guard Unit (Military Unit #2013), commemorative badge, 1971 issue.

Aluminum, paint; 29.3 x 32.2 mm. Unlike most other badges of this kind, there is a retail price of 25 kopeks marked on the reverse, but the badge definitely an officially issued piece, not a souvenir available to general public. It is interesting to note that the actual name or number of the unit is not mentioned anywhere; this is typical of relatively early veteran badges awarded to active-duty personnel, probably due to the Soviet obsession with secrecy. In excellent condition.

Tasked with guarding the Soviet border with Azerbaijan, this unit was headquartered in the village of Prishib, Azerbaijan, and belonged to the Trans-Caucasian Border Guard District. It was considered one of the most highly distinguished border guard units and was one of the few awarded with an Order of the Red Banner.

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