

Citation to Aleksandra Orlova (Александра Николаевна Орлова), actress of the Leningrad Drama Theater, from the Naval Forces of the Far East, 1932 - 1935.

Very large, measuring 12 ½" x 17 ¼". All the artwork and calligraphy are done entirely by hand. The citation is issued by the Revolutionary Military Council of the Naval Forces of the Far East (renamed in 1935 to "Pacific Fleet") to Aleksandra Orlova, an actress of the Leningrad State Academic Theater of Drama, to express the Fleet's gratitude for her month-long tour during which she had done exceptionally well in, quote, "satisfying the cultural needs of the sailors and commanders". For that, she was awarded this citation and a gift, unspecified in the citation.

Of special interest is the abbreviation "rp" (Russian abbreviation for "citizen") before the names of the signatories. So great was the Bolsheviks' hate of everything "old regime" that it took many years to return military ranks to the Soviet military.

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