

## ORDERS AND MEDALS

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### **Drafts of the orders and medals of Azerbaijan Democratic Republic in 1918**

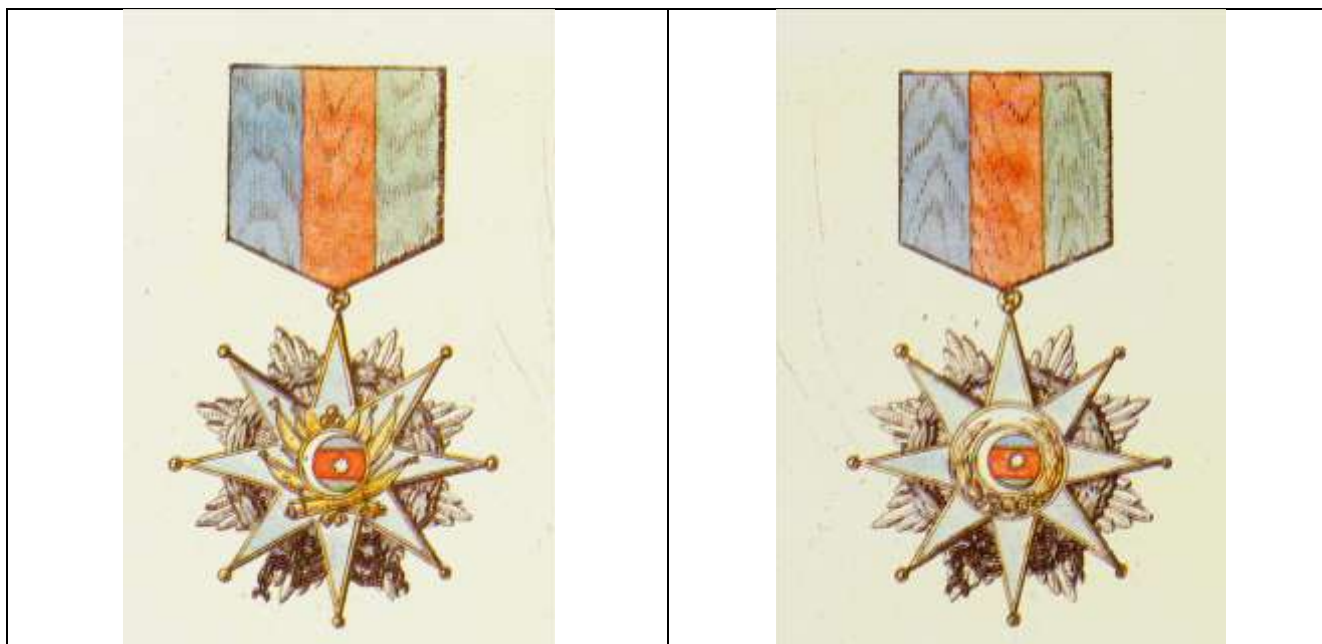
On May 28, 1918, the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic (ADR) was proclaimed on the territory of the eastern part of South Caucasus. It was the first parliamentary democracy in the Moslem Orient, which played a historic part in the revival and further development of national consciousness and statehood of the Azerbaijani people.

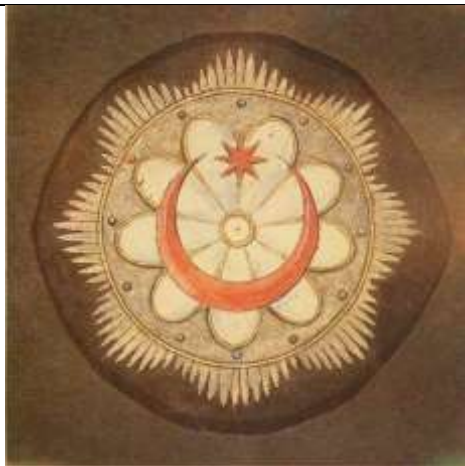
The official doctrine of the national and state development of the ADR became the notion of «Azerbaijanism», main elements of which became the principles of modernism, Islamism and Turkism, symbolizing the strive of the Azerbaijani people for the progress on the basis of preservation of belonging to Moslem civilization and Turkic cultural and ethnic originality.

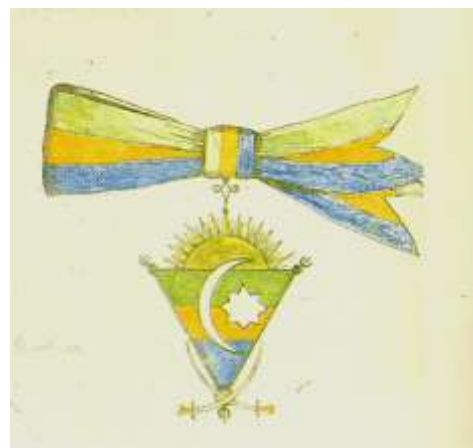
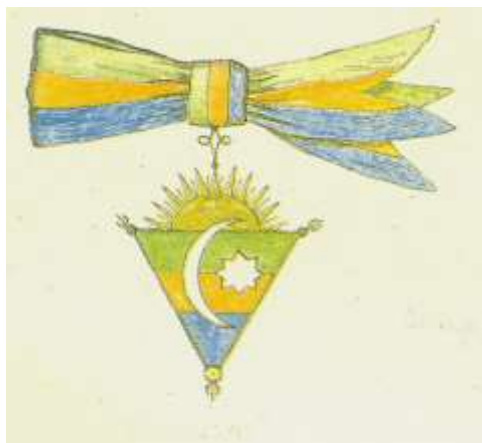
During short 2 years the multiparty Azerbaijani parliament and the coalition governments managed to take a number of measures in national and state building, education, creation of army, independent financial and economic systems, and international recognition of the ADR as the subject of world community of nations.

In 1918 the government of independent Azerbaijani Republic had been taken decision to hold a very important event – the competition on the “Symbols of Independence” of Azerbaijani state. The main object of this competition was establishing of the national emblem of the Republic, stamp, orders and medals. That’s why had been created some artistic drafts of the orders and medals.

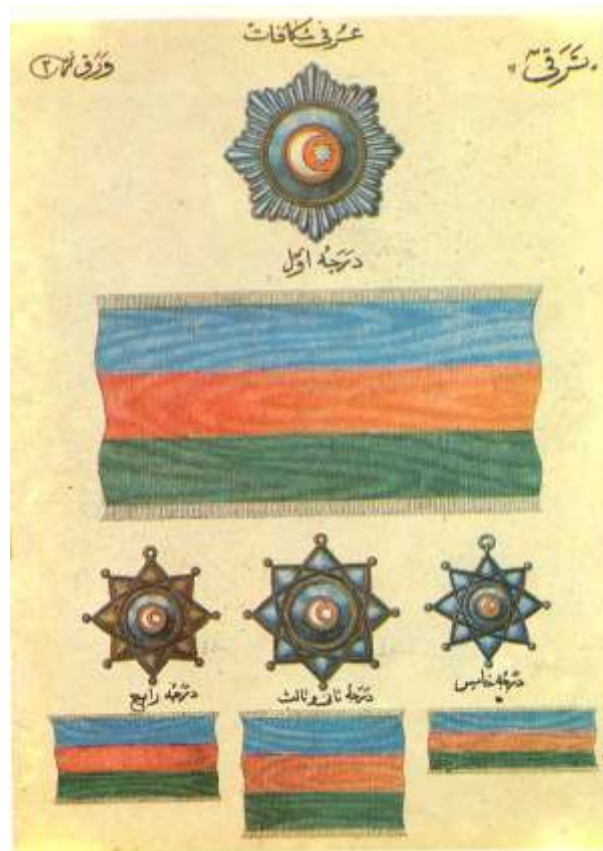
#### *The Orders of Independence*



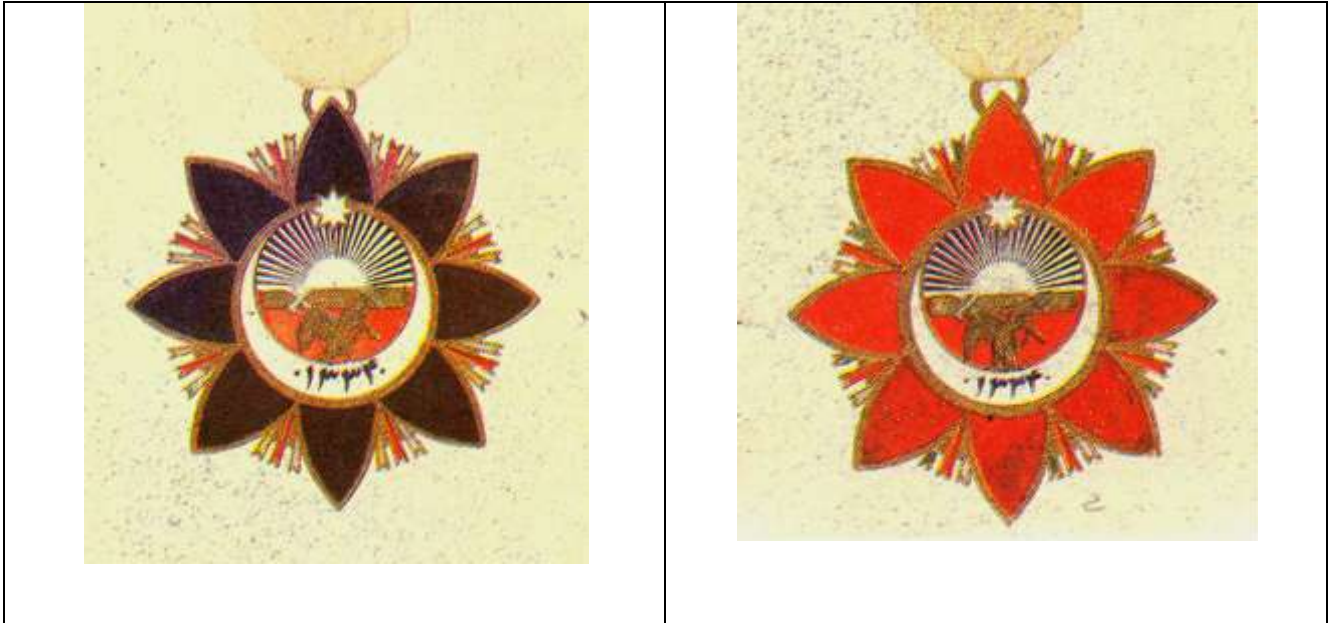




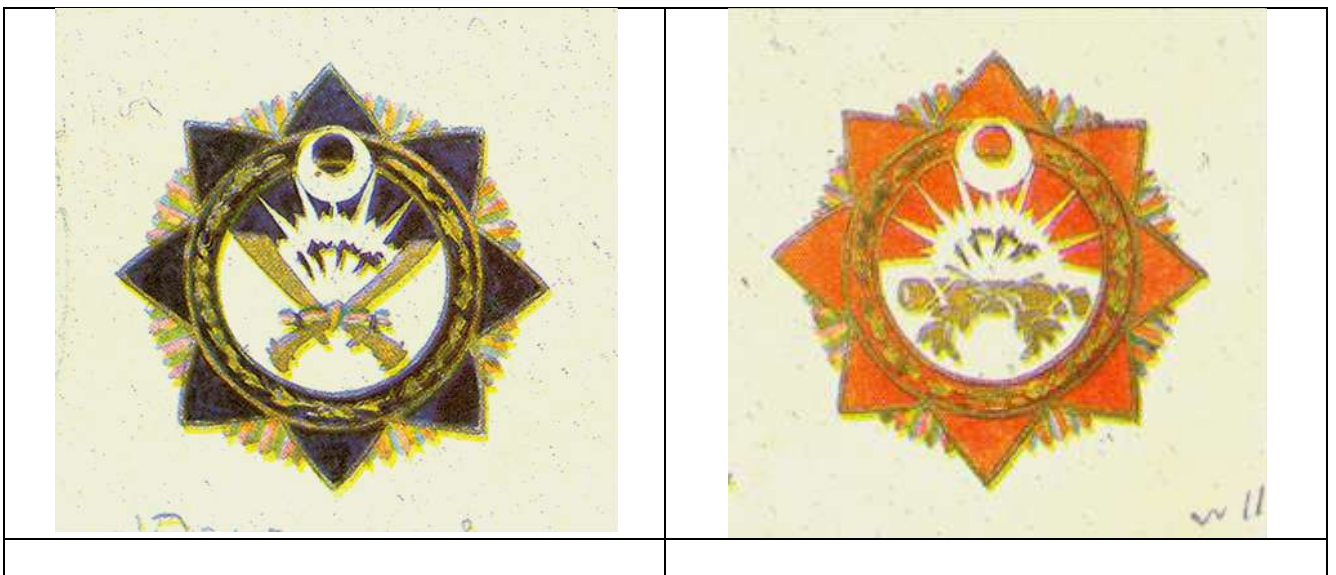
**“Tərəqqi” (Progress) - order of Independence of fourth power**

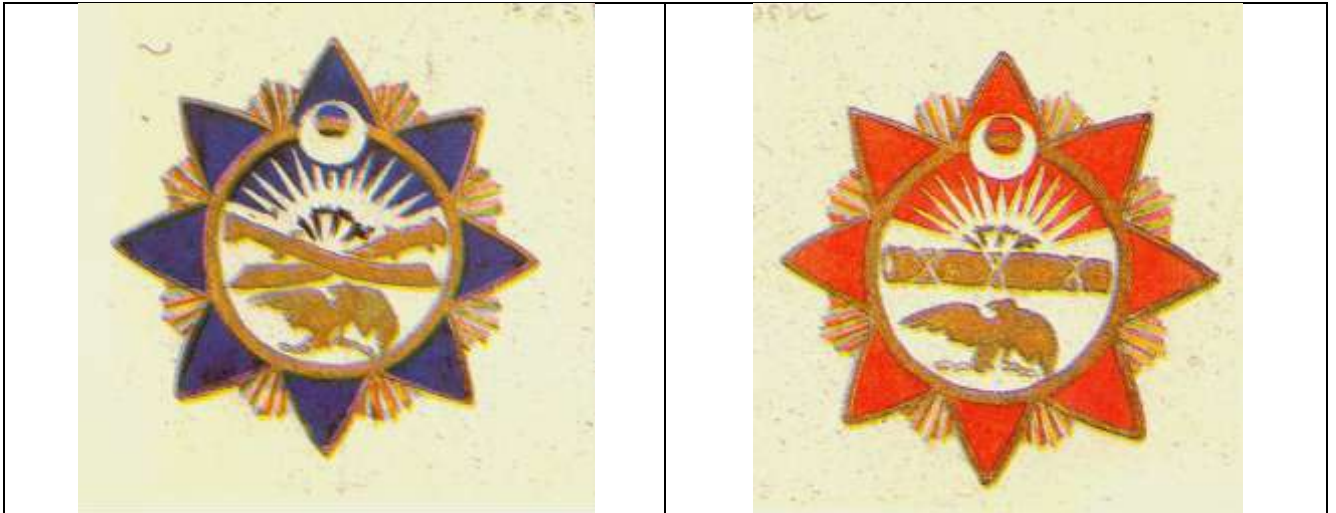


*The Orders of “Müstəqillik” (Independence) under device “Threw the union to the light”*



*The orders of “Müstəqillik” (Independence) under device “Yuliya”*

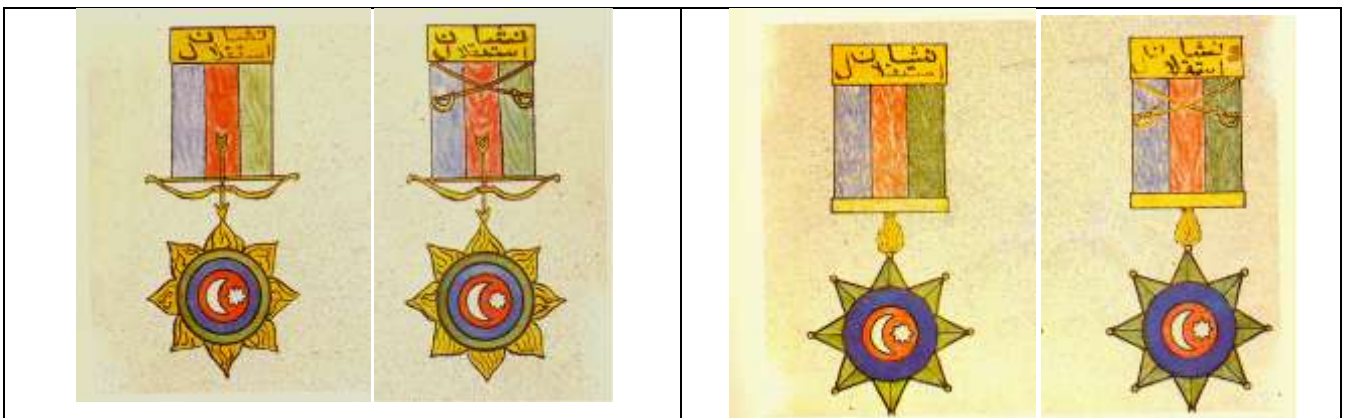


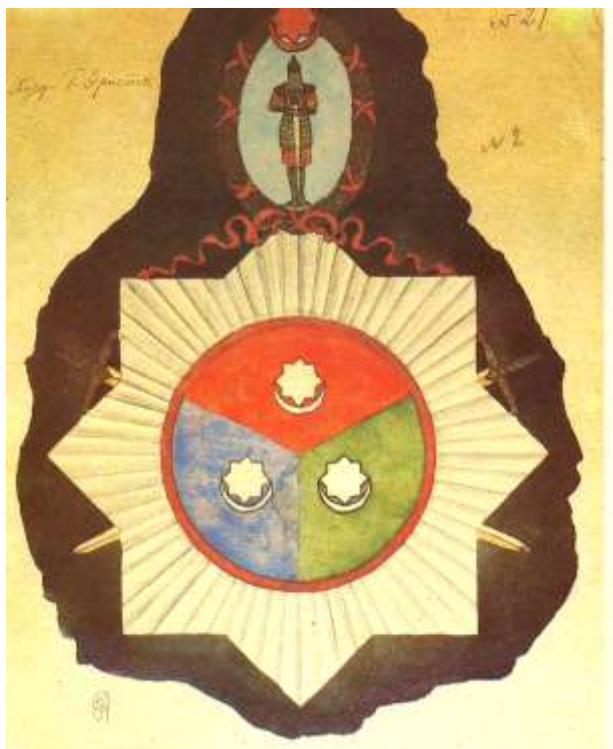


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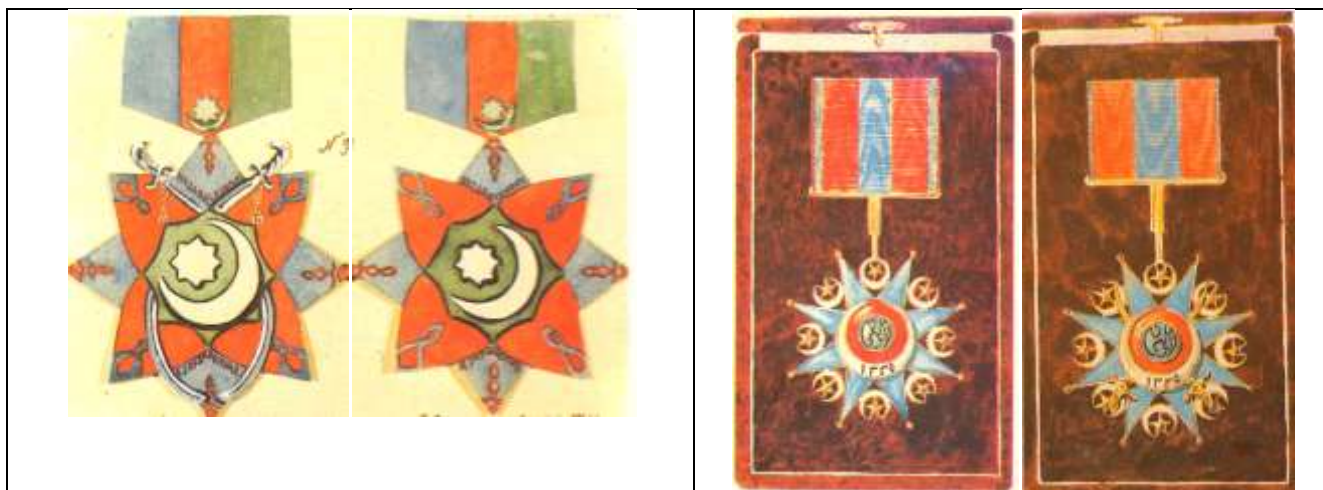


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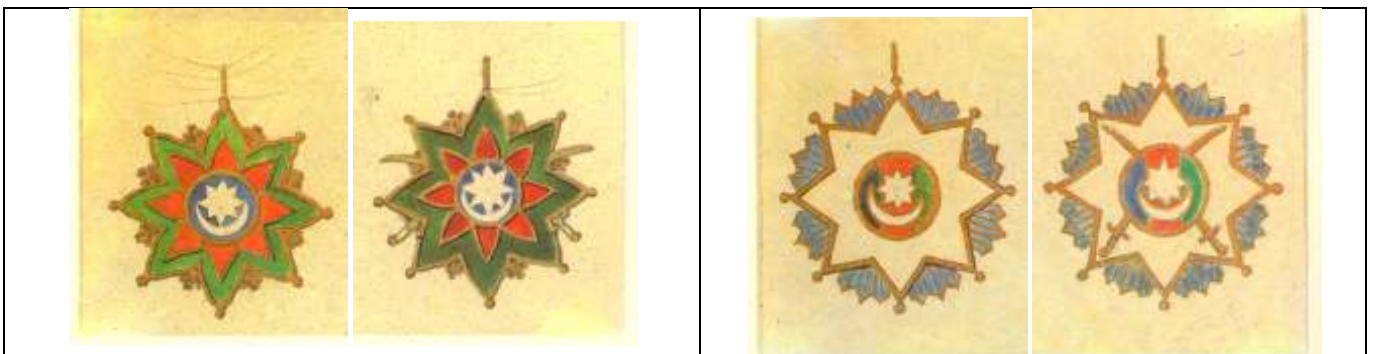


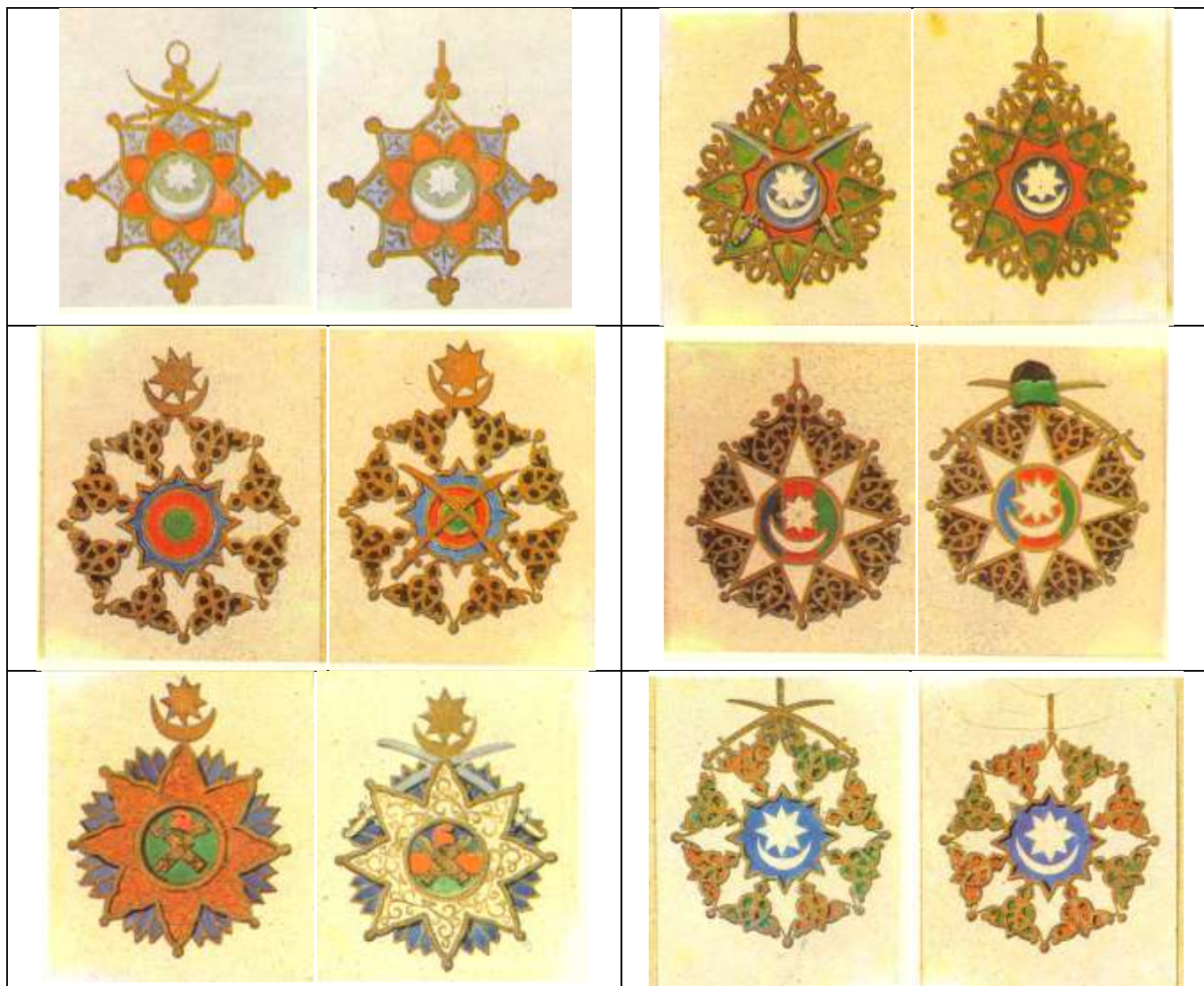
*The orders “For peaceful services” and “For military services”*





*The military and civil orders under device “ARS”*





**Orders and medals of Azerbaijan SSR**

	<p><b><i>Order of the Honorable proletarian breast badge.</i></b> This order existed from the summer of 1920 until end of 1921.</p>
	<p><b><i>Order of the Red Banner.</i></b> This order has been created in 1920.</p>
	<p><b><i>Order of the Red Banner of Labour.</i></b> This order has been established on the II-nd All-Azeri congress of the Soviets on April 22.</p>
	<p><b><i>Order of the Labour's Red Banner.</i></b> This order has been established on December 3, 1929.</p>

 A silver medal with a red ribbon and a blue stripe. The medal features a central emblem of a building and the text "AZERBAIJAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC" around the edge.	<p><b><i>Medal of Honored Builder of Azerbaijan Soviet Socialist Republic, circa late 1960s - 1970s.</i></b></p>
 A gold-plated medal with a red, white, and blue ribbon. The medal features a central emblem of a sun and the text "AZERBAIJAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC" around the edge.	<p><b><i>Azerbaijan Order of Honour.</i></b> This is a strange and quite rare award issued in Soviet times in Soviet Azerbaijan only from March 1991 to the end of the year. Its gold plated only and allegedly issued only to very few people.</p>
 A gold-plated medal with a red, white, and blue ribbon. The medal features a central emblem of a sun and the text "AZERBAIJAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC" around the edge.	<p><b><i>Azerbaijan Laureate of the State Prize.</i></b> This is a strange and quite rare award issued in Soviet times in Azerbaijan. Its gold plated only but was allegedly issued to those individuals who received the Soviet State Prize.</p>

## Orders of the Republic of Azerbaijan

On November 10, 1992 Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan issued a decree on the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan about establishment of the orders and medals of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

On December 6, 1993; on May 17, 2002; on November 7, 2003; on April 22, 2005; on October 10, 2006; on February 16, 2007; on May 16, 2008; on June 13, 2008, on the base of this Law has been bringing in bill some changes and supplements.



*The order of Heydar Aliyev. The order has been established on April 22, 2005. This order is awarding to a person whom exceptional services devoted to Azerbaijan, serving to the progress, glory and rising of greatness of the country in the world.*





***The order of “Independence”.** The order has been established on February 6, 1998. This order is awarded to a person for the exceptional services in the national-liberation movement in the Republic of Azerbaijan.*



***The order of Shakh Ismayil.** The order has been established on February 6, 1998. The order is awarded to a person for exceptional services in organization and strengthening of Azerbaijani Military forces, in guaranteeing of territorial integrity and security of the Republic of Azerbaijan.*



***The order “Azerbaijani banner”.** The order has been established on February 6, 1998. This order is awarded to a person for the exceptional services in the national-liberation movement in the Republic of Azerbaijan, for the development of the military science, for special services in guaranteeing of the peace in the republic.*



*The “Honour” order of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The order has been established on February 16, 2007. This order is awarded to a person for the special services to the Republic of Azerbaijan and to the nation, for the special contribution in formation of the Azerbaijani statehood.*



*The “Glory” order of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The order has been established on February 6, 1998. This order is awarded to a person for the special services in economical, socio-cultural and science technical development.*



*The “Friendship” order. The order has been established on February 16, 2007. This order is awarded to a person for the special services in development of the friendship, economical and cultural relations between the Republic of Azerbaijan and the foreign country, for the special contribution in strengthening of the friendship between nations.*



*The order “Of services to the Fatherland”. The order has been established on November 7, 2003. This order is awarding to a person for the loyalty to the Republic of Azerbaijan, for the professional activity and the special achievement on the public service.*

### Medals of the Republic of Azerbaijan



*The “Golden Star” medal. The medal has been established on February 6, 1998. This medal is awarded to a person for the special services and for the heroic deeds in name of the independence and the progress of the Republic of Azerbaijan.*



*“For motherland” medal. The medal has been established on December 8, 2000. This medal is awarded to a person for the courage and the bravery that showed in the special operations.*



*The medal “For Bravery”. The medal has been established on December 8, 2000. This medal is awarded to a person for show great courage in the battle, to carry out an order with risk of the life.*



***The medal "Progress".*** *The medal has been established on December 6, 1993. This medal is awarded to a person for the success reached in the sphere of agriculture and industry.*



***The medal "For Military services".*** *The medal has been established on December 6, 1993. This medal is awarded to a person for the special distinguished services in the combat operations.*



***The medal "For distinguished services on the frontier".*** *The medal has been established on December 6, 1993. This medal is awarded to a person for the special distinguished services on the frontier of the Republic of Azerbaijan.*



***The medal "For services in the military cooperation".*** *The medal has been established on May 17, 2002. This medal is awarded to a serviceman of the Republic of Azerbaijan and foreign states for the special services in strengthening of the military cooperation with the Republic of Azerbaijan.*



*The medal “Veteran of Military forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan”. The medal has been established on May 17, 2002. This medal is awarding to a servicemen who served in Military forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan more than 25 years.*



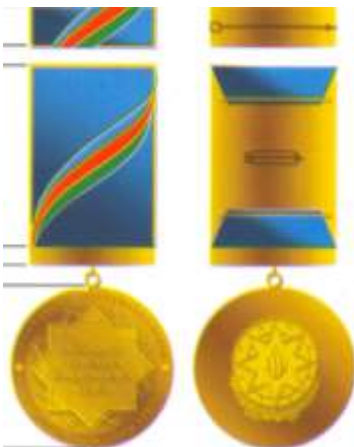
*The medal “For irreproachable service”. The medal has been established on May 17, 2002. This medal is awarding to a servicemen for irreproachable service in Military forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan 10, 15 or 20 years.*



*The medal “For distinction on public service”. The medal has been established on November 7, 2003. This medal is awarding to a servicemen for activity in the very important project of the creation of national state.*



*The medal “For irreproachable service in law-enforcement bodies”. The medal has been established on April 21, 2006. This medal is awarded to employees who served in the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan 10, 15 or 20 years.*



*The medal “For distinction in diplomatic service”. The medal has been established on June 30, 2009.*

## Breast badges

### *Breast badge of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan*

#### **Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan about breast badge of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

1. To establish of the breast badge of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
2. To confirm of the breast badge's description of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
3. This decree to come into force from day of signing.

**Ilham Aliyev**  
**President of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

*Baku, October 14, 2008. № 832.*



*Honorable breast badge of the Laureate of State Prize of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The breast badge has been established on May 8, 2010.*



*Breast badge of the deputy of Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan. The breast badge has been established on December 12, 1995.*



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### **Documents related to the orders and medals**

**January 30, 1920** – An Act of the Council of Ministers of Azerbaijan Democratic Republic about preparation of the projects of the military orders, national hymn, State emblem and stamp.

**February 5, 1991** – An Act of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Azerbaijan about the advertisement for the competition on the best image of the orders and medals of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

**March 28, 1991** – An Act of the Presidium of Supreme Council of the Republic of Azerbaijan about establishment of the commission to hold a competition on the best text of the State hymn, on the best images of the State emblem, orders and medals.

**November 10, 1992** – A law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the institution of orders and medals of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

**November 10, 1992** – An act of the National meeting of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the implementation of the law of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On the institution of orders and medals of the Republic of Azerbaijan”

**May 22, 1998** – A Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan “On the honorary titles of the Republic of Azerbaijan”

**December 29, 1998** – A Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on affirmation of the Status on the honorary title “Martyr of January 20”

**May 14, 1999** – A decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on affirmation of the Status on the honorary titles of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**October 17, 2007** – A Decree of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on the institution of “The honorary diploma of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan”

*You can look through the text of the given documents in Azerbaijani and Russian versions of e-resources.*

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