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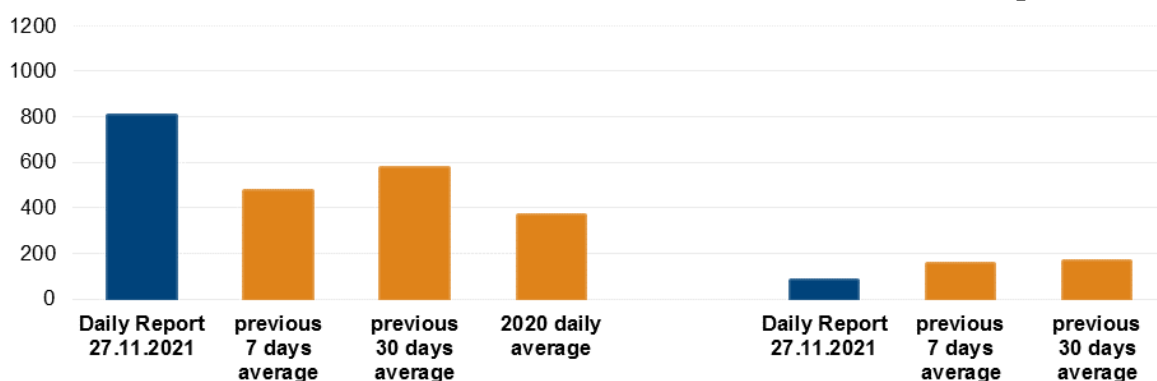
Summary

- In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 612 ceasefire violations, including 32 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded 609 ceasefire violations in the region.
- In Luhansk region, the Mission recorded 193 ceasefire violations, including 48 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded 60 ceasefire violations in the region.
- The SMM observed damage to a brick fence and an industrial building in Yasynuvata, Donetsk region.
- The Mission continued monitoring the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske. It recorded ceasefire violations inside the area near Petrivske and again spotted people inside the areas near Zolote and Petrivske.
- The SMM facilitated the operation of critical civilian infrastructure.
- The Mission continued following up on the situation of civilians, including at four entry-exit checkpoints (EECP) and four corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations in Donetsk and Luhansk regions.
- The Mission's freedom of movement continued to be restricted, including at three weapons storage sites in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk region and two checkpoints of the armed formations in Donetsk region. Its unmanned aerial vehicles again experienced multiple instances of probable jamming.*

Ceasefire violations²

Number of recorded ceasefire violations³

Number of recorded explosions⁴



¹ Based on information from the Monitoring Teams as of 19:30, 26 November 2021. All times are in Eastern European Time.

² For a complete breakdown of ceasefire violations, please see the annexed table. On 26 November, weather conditions limited the observational capabilities of some SMM cameras.

³ Including explosions.

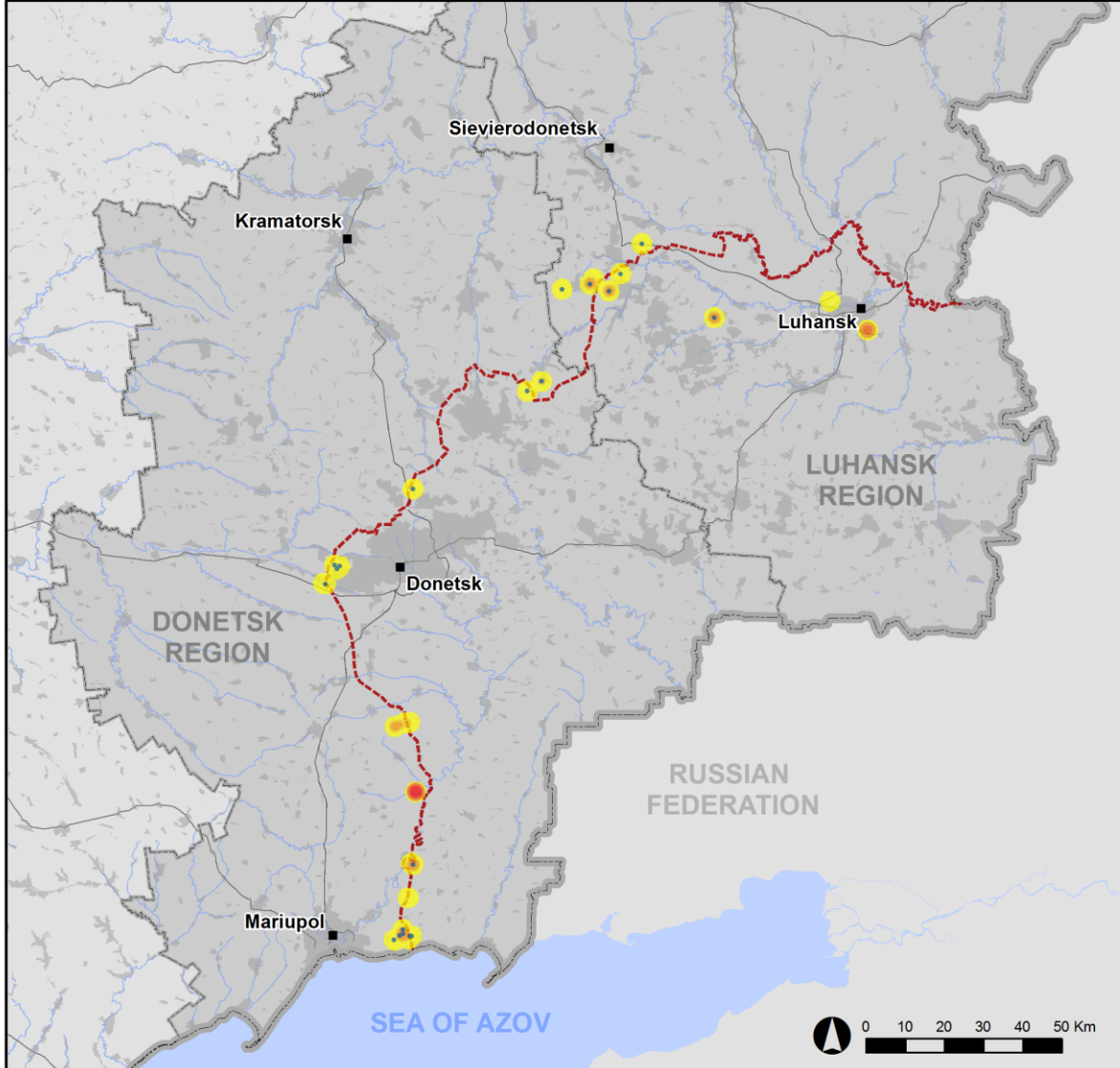
⁴ Including from unidentified weapons.

Map of recorded ceasefire violations

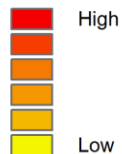


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Ceasefire violations observed by the SMM 26 November 2021



Ceasefire violation concentration



- Explosion
- Settlement
- Estimated line of contact

Sources: Administrative Boundaries - OCHA; Roads, Rivers - OpenStreetMap; Sea - VLIZ (2005). IHO Sea Areas; Other - OSCE.

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 UTM Zone 37N

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In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 612 ceasefire violations, including 32 explosions (three airbursts, one impact and 28 undetermined). The majority of ceasefire violations (491) occurred in an area east of Hranitne (government-controlled, 60km south of Donetsk) and were assessed as a live-fire training exercise in violation of the decision of the Trilateral Contact Group (TCG) of 3 March 2016 that prohibits the conduct of live-fire training in the security zone. In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded 609 ceasefire violations in the region.

In Luhansk region, the SMM recorded 193 ceasefire violations, including 48 undetermined explosions. The majority of ceasefire violations occurred in an area south of non-government-controlled Luhansk city and in areas south and south-west of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk) (see below). The Mission assessed the ceasefire violations recorded near Luhansk city as well as those recorded near Metalist (non-government-controlled, 7km north-west of Luhansk) as live-fire training exercises, in violation of the aforementioned decision. In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded 60 ceasefire violations in the region, the majority of which occurred in areas close to the disengagement area near Zolote.

Following agreement reached at the meeting of the TCG on 22 July 2020 regarding Measures to strengthen the ceasefire, from 00:01 on 27 July 2020 until the end of the reporting period, the SMM has recorded at least 86,142 ceasefire violations in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions (including 23,754 explosions, 20,579 projectiles in flight, 395 muzzle flashes, 363 illumination flares and at least 41,051 bursts and shots).

Damage to a brick fence and an industrial building in Yasynuvata, Donetsk region

On 23 November, on the north-eastern edge of Yasynuvata (non-government-controlled, 16km north-east of Donetsk), an SMM mini-unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) spotted that a brick fence west of a two-story building was damaged. About 250m south-east, the same UAV spotted metal boards, assessed as recently placed, on the roof of an industrial building, and rubble on the ground nearby. The SMM assessed the damage to the fence and the building as recent and caused by impacts of mortar rounds.

Disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske⁵

Inside the **disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska** (government-controlled, 16km north-east of Luhansk), the Mission saw six members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them) south of the repaired span of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge (15km north-east of Luhansk).

During the day on 25 November, inside **the disengagement area near Zolote**, an SMM long-range UAV spotted two people inside former positions of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, one near the area’s northern edge in the south-eastern part of Katerynivka (government-controlled, 64km west of Luhansk) and one north of the railway track about 400m east of road T-1316. The same UAV also spotted one person inside a former position of the armed formations about 1.5km north of the area’s south-eastern corner.

⁵ Disengagement is foreseen in the Framework Decision of the Trilateral Contact Group relating to disengagement of forces and hardware of 21 September 2016.

During the day on 26 November, while in Popasna (government-controlled, 69km west of Luhansk), the SMM heard four bursts of small-arms fire assessed as outside the disengagement area but within 5km of its periphery.

Near the checkpoint of the armed formations south of the disengagement area near Zolote, the SMM saw seven members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them). The Mission again saw the seven previously observed containers located south of the area’s southern edge and inside the disengagement area. It also saw that the previously reported road barriers across road T-1316, on the area’s southern edge, continued to be closed.

An SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming while flying over the disengagement area.*

During the day on 25 November, inside **the disengagement area near Petrivske** (non-government-controlled, 41km south of Donetsk), an SMM long-range UAV spotted one person inside a former position of the Ukrainian Armed Forces near the area’s southern edge about 1.5km east of its south-western corner. The same UAV also spotted one person inside a former position of the armed formations near the area’s south-eastern corner.

On the night of 25-26 November, the SMM camera 2km east of Bohdanivka (government-controlled, 41km south-west of Donetsk) recorded 15 projectiles in flight, assessed as inside the disengagement area near Petrivske. On 26 November, the SMM heard 20 bursts and shots of small-arms fire assessed as outside the area but within 5km of its periphery.

Withdrawal of weapons

The SMM continued to monitor the withdrawal of weapons in implementation of the Memorandum and the Package of Measures and its Addendum.

Indications of military and military-type presence in the security zone

The SMM observed three armoured combat vehicles in government-controlled areas of Donetsk region and four armoured combat vehicles near a residential area and one surveillance radar station at a compound in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (For further information, see the table below.)

Presence of anti-tank mines near Sakhanka, Donetsk region, and demining near Shchastia, Luhansk region

On 25 November, in two locations about 2.5km south-south-west of Sakhanka (non-government-controlled, 97km south of Donetsk), an SMM mid-range UAV spotted 15 previously observed anti-tank mines laid across road M-14, assessed as belonging to the armed formations. About 1.1km north-east, the same UAV spotted seven anti-tank mines laid across the same road and about 50 more anti-tank mines laid in an adjacent field south of that road, assessed as belonging to the Ukrainian Armed Forces. (For previous observations in the area, see [SMM Daily Report of 20 May 2021](#).)

On 26 November, about 4km north-north-west of Vuhlehirsk (non-government-controlled, 49km north-east of Donetsk), the Mission observed two recent warning signs (two red squares

with “Stop! Combat Zone” written on them in Russian, not previously reported) fixed on wooden sticks on the western edge of a local road.

About 2km north-east of Shchastia (government-controlled, 20km north of Luhansk), the SMM observed eight members of an international organization (men, in their twenties and forties) conducting demining activities in a field about 150m north-east of road H-21.

SMM facilitation of the operation of critical civilian infrastructure

The Mission continued to facilitate the operation of the Donetsk Filtration Station (15km north of Donetsk) (DFS). While positioned at three locations near the DFS, the SMM heard three undetermined explosions, assessed as within a 5km radius of the DFS.

The Mission also monitored the security situation close to the pumping station near Vasylivka (non-government-controlled, 20km north of Donetsk).

Situation at entry-exit checkpoints and corresponding checkpoints

In Donetsk region, the Mission observed that the entry-exit checkpoint (EECP) near Novotroitske (government-controlled, 36km south-west of Donetsk) and the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations near Olenivka (non-government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk) were open, with civilian traffic passing through in both directions.

While positioned at the checkpoint near Olenivka, the SMM observed five trucks bearing the logo of an international organization, entering non-government-controlled areas, as well as five trucks bearing the logo of two international organizations, moving towards government-controlled areas.

In Luhansk region, the SMM observed that the EECP near Stanytsia Luhanska and the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations south of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge were open, with people queueing to travel in both directions.

The SMM noted that the EECPs near Zolote and Shchastia (government-controlled, 20km north of Luhansk) were open, but that the corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations south of the disengagement area near Zolote and 3km south-east of the bridge in Shchastia were closed.

Along road T-1316, between the EECP near Zolote and the following intersection, on both sides of the road, the Mission observed continuing ground works. The Mission also observed that new asphalt had been laid on parts of road T-1316 near the EECP. (For previous observations in the area, see [SMM Daily Report of 26 November 2021](#).)

Border areas outside government control⁶

While at a border crossing point near Ulianivske (61km south-east of Donetsk), for about 25 minutes, the SMM observed no civilian traffic.

⁶ According to decisions in 2014 by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, operations are officially designated as suspended at these and other border crossing points located outside government control.

While at a border crossing point near Uspenka (73km south-east of Donetsk), for about 50 minutes, the SMM observed nine cars (including seven with “DPR” plates), two buses (one with “DPR” plates, carrying passengers of mixed genders and ages), and 29 people (17 men and nine women, mixed ages, and three children) entering Ukraine and 28 cars (including 19 with “DPR” plates), four covered cargo trucks and four people (three women, mixed ages, and one man in his forties) exiting Ukraine.

The SMM also monitored areas close to the border with the Russian Federation near Katerynivka (79km south-east of Donetsk), Vilkhivchyk (formerly Novopetrivske, 78km east of Donetsk) and Valianivske (formerly Leninske, non-government-controlled, 57km south of Luhansk). It observed no change in the security situation.

The SMM continued monitoring in Kherson, Lviv, Odessa, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Dnipro, Chernivtsi and Kyiv.

***Restrictions of the SMM’s freedom of movement or other impediments to fulfilment of its mandate**

The SMM’s monitoring and freedom of movement are restricted by security hazards and threats, including risks posed by mines, unexploded ordnance (UXO) and other impediments – which vary from day to day. The SMM’s mandate provides for safe and secure access throughout Ukraine. All signatories of the Minsk agreements have agreed on the need for this safe and secure access, that restriction of the SMM’s freedom of movement constitutes a violation, and on the need for rapid response to these violations. They have also agreed that the Joint Centre for Control and Co-ordination (JCCC) should contribute to such response and co-ordinate mine clearance. Nonetheless, the armed formations in parts of Donetsk and Luhansk regions frequently deny the SMM access to areas adjacent to Ukraine’s border outside control of the government (for example, see [SMM Daily Report of 26 November 2021](#)). The SMM’s operations in Donetsk and Luhansk regions remain restricted following [the fatal incident of 23 April 2017 near Pryshyb](#); these restrictions continued to limit the Mission’s observations.

Denials:

- The SMM could not access a permanent storage site in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk region as its entrance door was locked and no personnel was present.
- A visibly armed member of armed formations denied the Mission access to a heavy weapons holding area in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk region.
- A visibly armed member of the armed formations denied the SMM access to another heavy weapons holding area in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk region citing “orders from superiors because the storage site is empty”.

Regular restrictions related to disengagement areas and mines/UXO:

- The sides continued to deny the SMM full access, as well as the ability to travel certain roads previously identified as important for effective monitoring by the Mission and for civilians’ movement, through failure to conduct comprehensive clearance of mines, UXO and other obstacles.

Delays:

- At a checkpoint near Lozove (non-government-controlled, 52km north-east of Donetsk), a visibly armed member of the armed formations allowed the SMM passage north into the settlement only after 16 minutes of waiting. While at the checkpoint, the SMM observed civilian traffic passing in both directions.
- At a checkpoint near Staromykhailivka (non-government-controlled, 15km west of Donetsk), three visibly armed members of the armed formations allowed the SMM passage west into the settlement only after 18 minutes of waiting. While at the checkpoint, the SMM observed civilian traffic passing in both directions. The Mission was following up on reports of damage to a working school in the settlement.

Other impediments:⁷

- SMM mini-UAVs experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, during 14 flights: on three occasions each while flying over areas near government-controlled Orikhove (57km north-west of Luhansk) and non-government-controlled Zymohiria (27km west of Luhansk), and once each while flying over areas near government-controlled Verkhnotoretske (23km north-east of Donetsk), Hirske (63km west of Luhansk) and Zolote-4/Rodina (60km west of Luhansk), and near non-government-controlled Lozove (52km north-east of Donetsk), Khoroshe (36km west of Luhansk), Novohryhorivka (33km west of Luhansk) and Smile (31km north-west of Luhansk), and over the southern edge of the disengagement area near Zolote (60km west of Luhansk) (see above).

⁷ For cases of probable jamming and jamming mentioned in this section, the interference could have originated from anywhere within the radius of tens of kilometres from the UAVs' positions.

Table of military and military-type presence in the security zone⁸

Date	No.	Type	Location	Source of observation
Government-controlled areas				
25/11/2021	1	Armoured personnel carrier (MT-LB)	Near Lebedynske (99km south of Donetsk)	Mid-range UAV
	1	Armoured personnel carrier (MT-LB)	Near Pionerske (101km south of Donetsk)	Mini-UAV
26/11/2021	1	Armoured personnel carrier (BTR-70)	Near Novokalynove (29km north-west of Donetsk)	Patrol
Non-government-controlled areas				
25/11/2021	1	Surveillance radar (P-18 variant, <i>RLS Malachit</i>)	In a compound near Verbova Balka (28km south-east of Donetsk)	Long-range UAV
26/11/2021	4	Armoured personnel carrier (BTR-80)	Near Teplychne (8km west of Luhansk)	Patrol

⁸ The hardware mentioned in this section is not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

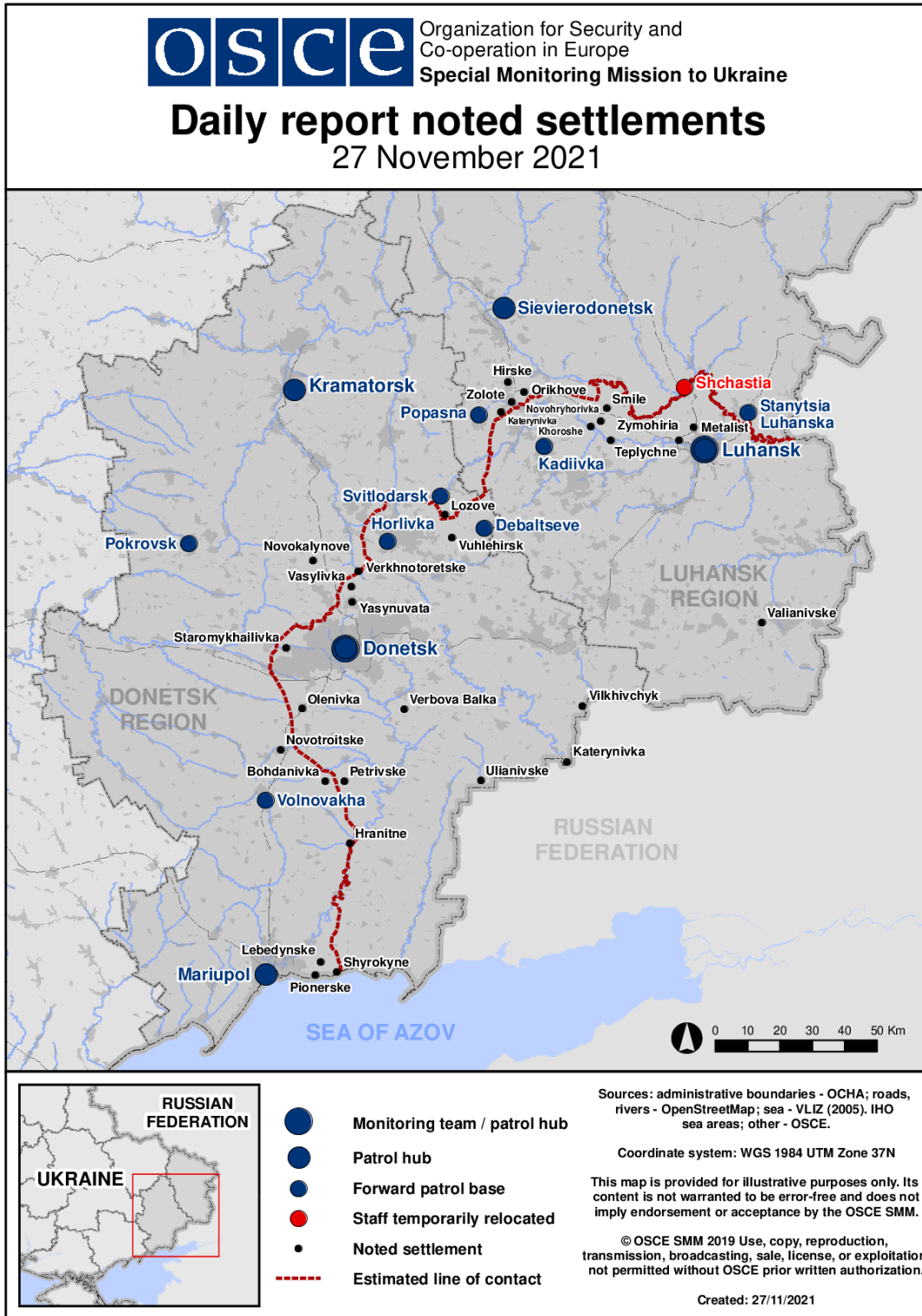
Table of ceasefire violations as of 26 November 2021⁹

SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
SMM camera 2km E of Bohdaniivka (government-controlled, 41km SW of Donetsk)	2-4km ESE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE (assessed as inside the disengagement area near Petrivske)	N/K	25-Nov, 22:38
	2-4km ESE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SSW to NNE (assessed as inside the disengagement area near Petrivske)	N/K	25-Nov, 22:38
	2-4km ESE	Recorded	2	Projectile	SSW to NNE (assessed as inside the disengagement area near Petrivske)	N/K	25-Nov, 22:39
	1-3km SE	Recorded	11	Projectile	WSW to ENE (assessed as inside the disengagement area near Petrivske)	N/K	26-Nov, 03:33
SMM camera in Chermalyk (government-controlled, 77km S of Donetsk)	2-3km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE	N/K	25-Nov, 20:52
	2-4km SE	Recorded	4	Projectile	NE to SW	N/K	26-Nov, 17:08
	2-4km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE	N/K	26-Nov, 17:19
	2-4km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	26-Nov, 17:19
	2-4km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE	N/K	26-Nov, 17:19
	2-4km SE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Airburst (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Nov, 17:19
	2-4km SE	Recorded	6	Projectile	NNE to SSW	N/K	26-Nov, 18:32
	2-4km SE	Recorded	11	Projectile	NNE to SSW	N/K	26-Nov, 18:38
	2-4km SE	Recorded	2	Projectile	NNE to SSW	N/K	26-Nov, 18:42
SMM camera 1.5km NE of Hnutove (government-controlled, 90km S of Donetsk)	2-4km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	N to S	N/K	26-Nov, 18:55
	3-5km ESE	Recorded	2	Projectile	N to S	N/K	26-Nov, 04:03
SMM camera at entry-exit checkpoint in Marinka (government-controlled, 23km SW of Donetsk)	1-2km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 00:19
	1-2km N	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	26-Nov, 00:26
	1-2km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Nov, 00:26
SMM camera 1km SW of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km S of Donetsk)	5-7km N	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 19:42
	3-5km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	W to E	N/K	25-Nov, 19:44
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Illumination flare	In vertical flight	N/K	25-Nov, 19:47
	4-6km N	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:54
	3-5km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	SW to NE	N/K	25-Nov, 21:04
	4-6km N	Recorded	2	Muzzle flash		N/K	25-Nov, 21:12
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	25-Nov, 21:13
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Airburst (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	25-Nov, 21:13
	3-5km NNE	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	25-Nov, 21:37
	3-5km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	In vertical flight (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	25-Nov, 21:37
	4-6km N	Recorded	5	Projectile	W to E	N/K	25-Nov, 21:37
	4-6km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	SE to NW	N/K	25-Nov, 21:42
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	25-Nov, 21:43
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Airburst (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	25-Nov, 21:43
	4-6km N	Recorded	7	Projectile	W to E	N/K	25-Nov, 21:43
3-5km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	W to E	N/K	26-Nov, 03:21	
4-6km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined, also recorded by SMM camera near Hnutove	N/K	26-Nov, 17:43	
Svitlodarsk (government-controlled, 57km NE of Donetsk)	3-4km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:08
	3-4km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:29
	3-4km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:38

⁹ The table only includes ceasefire violations directly observed by SMM patrols or recorded by the SMM cameras, and it may include those also assessed to be live-fire exercises, controlled detonations, etc. Details provided – in terms of distance, direction, weapons-type, etc. – are based on assessments provided by monitors on the ground and technical monitoring officers, and are not always necessarily precise. When information is not known (indicated with an “N/K”), the SMM was unable to ascertain such information due to distance, weather conditions technical limitations and/or other considerations. Ceasefire violations recorded by more than one patrol/camera and assessed to be the same are entered only once.

SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
	3-4km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:44
	3-4km SE	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:47
	3-4km SE	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	25-Nov, 20:54-20:56
About 3km ESE Lozove (non-government-controlled, 52km NE of Donetsk)	5km NW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 11:19
About 1.5km E of Staromykhailivka (non-government-controlled, 15km W of Donetsk)	4-5km SW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 13:00
	3-4km SW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 13:06
Staromykhailivka (non-government-controlled, 15km W of Donetsk)	3-4km SW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 13:25
	3-4km SW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 13:41
About 500m NE of Kamianka (government-controlled, 20km N of Donetsk)	2-4km SE	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined (inside 5km radius DFS)	N/K	26-Nov, 10:51
About 500m NE of Lebedynske (government-controlled, 99km S of Donetsk)	1-2km SE	Heard	2	Explosion	Outgoing	N/K	26-Nov, 10:58
	5-6km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Nov, 10:59
	2-3km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Impact (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Nov, 10:59
	4-6km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 11:00
About 4km NW of Hranitne (government-controlled, 60km S of Donetsk)	2-2.5km SSE	Heard	56	Shot		Small arms	26-Nov, 11:48-11:52
	2-2.5km SSE	Heard	380	Shot		Small arms	26-Nov, 11:56-12:24
	2-2.5km SSE	Heard	55	Burst		Small arms	26-Nov, 11:56-12:24
About 2km E of Bohdanivka (government-controlled, 41km SW of Donetsk)	2-3km SSW	Heard	6	Shot	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske	Small arms	26-Nov, 12:52-13:02
	2-3km SSW	Heard	14	Burst	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske	Small arms	26-Nov, 12:52-13:02
E edge of Luhansk (non-government-controlled)	4-5km S	Heard	100	Shot		Small arms	26-Nov, 09:30-10:30
About 3km SW of Metalist (non-government-controlled, 7km north-west of Luhansk)	1km S	Heard	4	Burst		HMG	26-Nov, 12:20-12:30
N edge of Popasna (government-controlled, 69km W of Luhansk)	5-7km SW	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 15:20-15:43
	3-5km ESE	Heard	4	Burst	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote	Small arms	26-Nov, 15:20-15:43
	3-5km SE	Heard	9	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 16:00-16:03
	3-5km SE	Heard	5	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 16:17-16:22
	3-5km SE	Heard	6	Burst		Small arms	26-Nov, 16:17-16:22
Khoroshe (non-government-controlled, 36km W of Luhansk)	6-8km SSW	Heard	8	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 10:46-10:55
	6-8km SSW	Heard	13	Burst		HMG	26-Nov, 10:46-10:55
	6-8km SSW	Heard	6	Shot		Small arms	26-Nov, 10:46-10:55
Orikhove (government-controlled, 57km NW of Luhansk)	1.5-2km E	Heard	5	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Nov, 12:03
Kadiivka (formerly Stakhanov, non-government-controlled, 50km W of Luhansk)	12-15km WNW	Heard	11	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote)	N/K	26-Nov, 17:25-17:40
	12-15km NW	Heard	6	Explosion	Undetermined (unable to assess if inside or outside the disengagement area near Zolote)	N/K	26-Nov, 17:25-17:40
	12-15km WNW	Heard	12	Burst	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote	HMG	26-Nov, 17:45-17:47

Map of Donetsk and Luhansk regions¹⁰



¹⁰ The SMM is deployed to ten locations throughout Ukraine – Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Donetsk, Dnipro, Chernivtsi, Luhansk and Kyiv – as per Permanent Council Decision 1117 of 21 March 2014. This map of eastern Ukraine is meant for illustrative purposes and indicates locations mentioned in the report, as well as those where the SMM has offices (monitoring teams, patrol hubs and forward patrol bases) in Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (In red: a forward patrol base from which SMM staff have temporarily relocated based on recommendations of security experts from participating States, as well as SMM security considerations. The SMM uses the premises during daylight hours and also patrols in this settlement during daylight hours).