



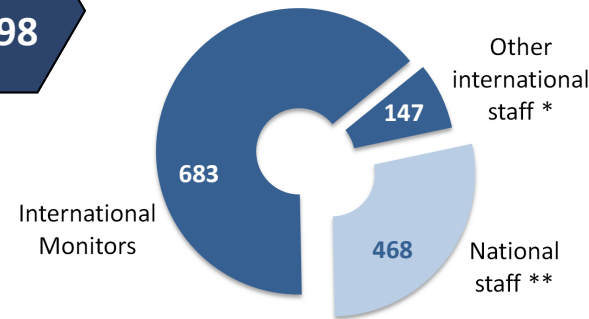
SMM long-range UAV base in Stepanivka (OSCE)

FACTS MATTER

- Between 20 September and 3 October, the SMM recorded an increase in the number of ceasefire violations – 4,234 compared with 3,742 in the previous two-week period.
- The Mission continued to monitor the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske, recording 59 ceasefire violations inside the area near Petrivske.
- The SMM corroborated reports of four civilian casualties – four men injured due to shelling in non-government-controlled Donetsk city's Kuibyshevskiyi district on 17 September. This brings the total number of confirmed civilian casualties since the beginning of 2021 to 72 (15 fatalities and 57 injuries). Overall, in September 2021, the SMM confirmed eight civilian casualties, all due to shelling. In 2021, this is the second highest number of civilian casualties in one month, following August, when the SMM confirmed 12 civilian casualties in total, including 11 due to shelling, the highest number of such cases since July 2020.
- The Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 21 times, including 20 instances in non-government-controlled areas. SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) were assessed as targeted by small-arms fire on ten occasions: three times in government-controlled and seven times in non-government-controlled areas. Once a UAV flight was cancelled due to cease-fire violations assessed as a live-fire training in the security zone. Mission UAVs experienced signal interference assessed as caused by probable jamming on 170 occasions, including 18 instances involving long-range UAVs, while flying on both sides of the contact line.
- The Mission continued to observe civilians while crossing, or attempting to cross, the contact line and the challenges they face. The SMM again noted that the only crossing points open to civilian use were near Stanytsia Luhanska, open daily, and Novotroitske/Olenivka, open twice a week, as the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations is open for crossing only on Mondays and Fridays.
- The SMM continued to facilitate and monitor adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs and operation of critical civilian infrastructure on both sides of the contact line, including repairs to power lines in Staromykhailivka and Donetsk city's Petrovskiyi district, maintenance of a phenol sludge reservoir near Nelipivka, and the construction of a sewage system at the entry-exit checkpoint near Stanytsia Luhanska.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

TOTAL
1,298

MISSION MEMBERS as of 4 October 2021



* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, two Deputy Chief Monitors, advisors, analysts, etc.

** National staff includes assistants, advisors and administrative personnel.

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	7	Kyrgyzstan	30
Armenia	1	Latvia	3
Austria	6	Lithuania	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	38
Belarus	4	Mongolia	1
Belgium	3	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	52	Netherlands	4
Bulgaria	44	North Macedonia	24
Canada	28	Norway	8
Croatia	10	Poland	26
Czech Republic	9	Romania	30
Denmark	2	Russian Federation	29
Estonia	2	Serbia	16
Finland	15	Slovakia	13
France	10	Slovenia	1
Georgia	23	Spain	7
Germany	27	Sweden	11
Greece	20	Switzerland	2
Hungary	18	Tajikistan	14
Ireland	9	Turkey	13
Italy	15	United Kingdom	43
Kazakhstan	3	United States	57
		TOTAL	683
Male	548	Female	135

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 700 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 550 based in the east;
- From 44 OSCE participating States.

What we do

- Report the facts as we observe and establish them;
- Gather information and report on the security situation;
- Report on the humanitarian situation and people's needs, and facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid of other organizations;
- Help to establish dialogue and local ceasefires.

Important to understand:

- It is up to the sides to stop the fighting;
- We do not conduct investigations, but report on facts;
- We do not deliver but facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid.