



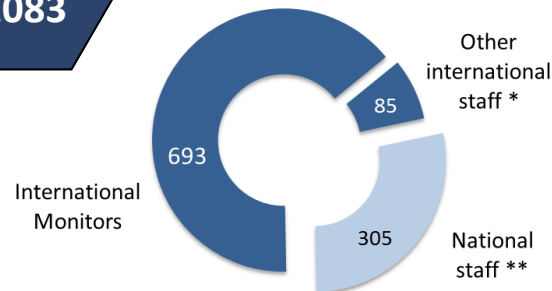
OSCE SMM Chief Monitor Ertugrul Apakan (r) addressing the OSCE Permanent Council in Vienna, 28 July 2016. (OSCE/Micky Kroell)

LATEST NEWS

- The SMM observed an overall decrease in ceasefire violations across Donetsk region during 25-31 July, following an increase the previous week.
- The hotspots remain the Yasynuvata-Avdiivka-Donetsk airport triangle, areas around Horlivka, the Svitlodarsk-Debaltseve road, and areas east and north-east of Mariupol. In Luhansk region, the SMM observed high levels of violence in western parts of the region, and around Shchastia and Stanytsia Luhanska.
- The SMM monitors and reports around-the-clock with around 90 ground patrols a day and night-time monitoring conducted from 14 locations in Donbas, and by using static 24/7 cameras and unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and other aerial surveillance. Watch examples of night-time footage filmed by SMM UAVs at <http://bit.ly/2aKsUzP>
- The SMM continued to observe the presence and use of proscribed weapons, including multiple-launch rocket systems, and numerous weapons missing from storage sites.
- The sides continued to impose restrictions on the SMM's freedom of movement, the majority of which occurred in areas outside of government control. On 25 July an SMM long-range UAV crashed in Donetsk region, a mini UAV came under fire in Luhansk region (see Spot report: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/256371). On 29 July "DPR" members threatened SMM monitors at gunpoint near Lukove (read the Spot report: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/257131)
- On 28 July Ertugrul Apakan, the Chief Monitor of the SMM addressed the OSCE Permanent Council in Vienna, and called for urgent steps by the sides to ensure full respect for the ceasefire and reduce the impact of the violence on civilians. See: www.osce.org/cio/256826
- SMM daily reports are available in three languages (English, Russian and Ukrainian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 3 AUGUST 2016

TOTAL
1083



* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, Principal Deputy Chief Monitor, Deputy Chief Monitor, advisors, analysts, spokesperson etc.

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	1	Kyrgyzstan	14
Armenia	2	Latvia	6
Austria	15	Lithuania	2
Azerbaijan	1	Luxembourg	1
Belarus	7	Moldova	22
Belgium	4	Montenegro	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	30	Netherlands	9
Bulgaria	26	Norway	10
Canada	16	Poland	30
Croatia	11	Portugal	5
Czech Republic	16	Romania	40
Denmark	13	Russian Federation	40
Estonia	7	Serbia	9
Finland	22	Slovakia	7
France	16	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	19	Spain	13
Georgia	7	Sweden	23
Germany	32	Switzerland	13
Greece	18	Tajikistan	3
Hungary	26	Turkey	12
Ireland	11	United Kingdom	43
Italy	23	United States	61
Kazakhstan	4	TOTAL	693
Male	580	Female	113

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Almost 700 monitors across Ukraine;
- Over 590 based in the east;
- From 45 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.