



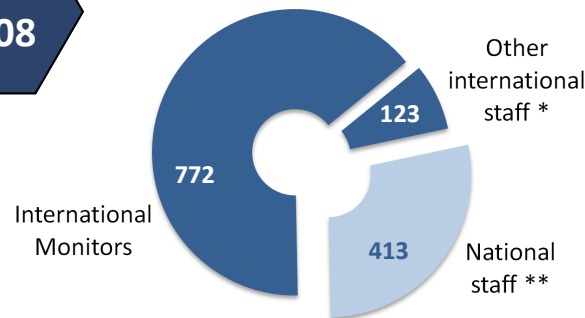
Participants at an SMM outreach event at the Lesya Ukrainka East European National University in Lutsk, Volyn region (Photo credit: Oleh Mitkevych)

FACTS MATTER

- Between 15 and 28 October, the SMM confirmed that two civilians were killed and four were injured, bringing the total number of civilian casualties since 1 January to 212 (42 deaths and 170 injuries).
- Among the dead were a man and a woman killed on 18 October in what appears to have been a mine explosion between the positions of the Ukrainian Armed Forces and the armed formations near Zolote. The SMM deployed unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) to identify the location of the bodies, and facilitated their recovery.
- The SMM recorded almost 18,000 ceasefire violations (just slightly fewer than in the previous two-week period), and observed 106 weapons in violation of the agreed withdrawal lines (62 in areas not controlled by the Government).
- With SMM facilitation and regular SMM 'mirror patrols' monitoring localized adherence to the ceasefire, repairs to the South Donbas Water Pipeline were completed on 16 October. Damaged in shelling on 31 January 2017 – with an estimated 2 million litres of water being lost every hour – over 1.2 million people on both sides of the contact line are dependent on it for clean drinking water.
- In the reporting period, the Mission continued to experience various forms of restrictions affecting its monitoring, including 77 active restrictions on its monitoring officers on the ground, 54 in areas not controlled by the Government, routinely so in areas close to the border with the Russian Federation; three instances in which small-arms fire was registered in the vicinity of monitoring officers, assessed as aimed at SMM UAVs, resulting in the UAVs having to be recalled; 25 instances in which SMM UAVs experienced signal interference affecting their ability to operate to varying degrees; and, the loss of one long-range UAV, which had just prior to its loss spotted a surface-to-air missile system and had experienced signal interference.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 29 OCTOBER 2018

TOTAL
1,308



* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, Principal Deputy Chief Monitor, Deputy Chief Monitor, advisors, analysts, etc.
** National staff includes assistants, advisors and other administrative personnel.

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	5	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	23
Austria	10	Latvia	8
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	8	Moldova	36
Belgium	2	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	45	Netherlands	4
Bulgaria	38	Norway	12
Canada	25	Poland	36
Croatia	11	Portugal	2
Czech Republic	15	Romania	27
Denmark	7	Russian Federation	39
Estonia	3	Serbia	12
Finland	24	Slovakia	12
France	17	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	28	Spain	14
Georgia	22	Sweden	28
Germany	28	Switzerland	7
Greece	22	Tajikistan	9
Hungary	23	Turkey	9
Ireland	8	United Kingdom	58
Italy	22	United States	61
		TOTAL	772
Male	625	Female	147

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 700 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 600 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.