



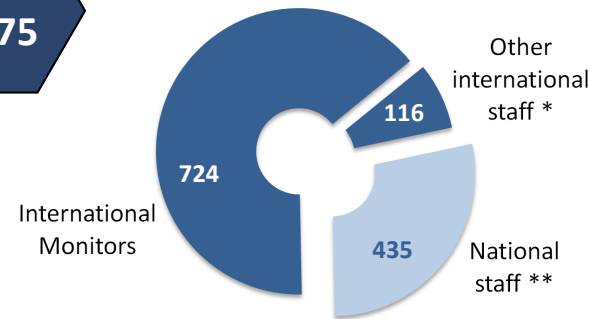
Monitoring officers in the vicinity of the disengagement area near Zolote in Luhansk region (OSCE/ Sergii Polipchatyn)

FACTS MATTER

- Between 15 and 28 June, the SMM recorded about 8,700 ceasefire violations, including about 4,700 explosions, compared with approximate 6,850 and about 2,750 in the previous two-week period, respectively. The Pervomaïsk-Popasna-Zolote area was one of the main hotspots (about 60 per cent of the bi-weekly total of ceasefire violations).
- The Mission continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three disengagement areas. While it observed a calm situation inside the disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska, it spotted the presence of people inside the disengagement areas near Zolote and Petrivske, as well as recent extensions of positions of the armed formations inside the disengagement area near Petrivske.
- On 22 June, the SMM lost the video feed from its daylight camera located 1km southwest of Shyrokyne and about 3km from the contact line (see [Spot Report 33/2020](#)). The SMM ground patrols assessed the damage as caused by a round from an undetermined weapon.
- The Mission corroborated reports of three civilian casualties, including a case of a man who died from shrapnel injuries in Oleksandrivka. This brings the total since the beginning of 2020 to 54 (7 fatalities and 47 injuries).
- The SMM continued to facilitate and monitor adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs to, and construction and maintenance of, critical civilian infrastructure. This included repairs to water infrastructure near Maiorsk, Shumy and near Zolote-5/ Mykhailivka, benefitting over 3 million civilians on both sides of the contact line.
- The Mission continued to monitor the situation of civilians at entry-exit checkpoints (EECP) along the contact line as a result of measures taken amid the COVID-19 outbreak. The SMM observed instances when civilians were denied entry into government-controlled and non-government controlled areas, thus finding themselves stranded in the area between forward checkpoints. On 22 June, the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations near non-government-controlled Olenivka opened to civilians crossing into government-controlled areas. However, on 28 June, the EECP was closed until further notice. The SMM observed Stanytsia Luhanska EECP open to civilians travelling in both directions.
- On 24 June, the SMM monitored military-style parades marking Victory Day in Donetsk and Luhansk cities, reporting 3,000 to 5,000 onlookers in both.
- Members of the armed formations continued to deny the SMM passage at checkpoints along official crossing routes in the Donetsk and the Luhansk regions (see [Spot Report 32/2020](#) and [Spot Report 34/2020](#)). Overall, the Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 40 times (all in non-government-controlled areas). SMM unmanned aerial vehicles were subjected to signal interference on both sides of the contact line on 27 occasions, and were targeted by small-arms fire three times (all in non-government-controlled areas).
- 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
1,275

MISSION MEMBERS as of 29 June 2020



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

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	6	Kyrgyzstan	23
Armenia	2	Latvia	6
Austria	6	Lithuania	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	41
Belarus	5	Mongolia	1
Belgium	2	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	52	Netherlands	3
Bulgaria	46	North Macedonia	25
Canada	27	Norway	8
Croatia	10	Poland	32
Czech Republic	11	Romania	30
Denmark	5	Russian Federation	41
Estonia	3	Serbia	15
Finland	22	Slovakia	12
France	14	Slovenia	1
Georgia	20	Spain	10
Germany	32	Sweden	13
Greece	21	Switzerland	4
Hungary	19	Tajikistan	11
Ireland	7	Turkey	10
Italy	19	United Kingdom	46
Kazakhstan	4	United States	52
		TOTAL	724
Male	591	Female	133

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 720 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.