

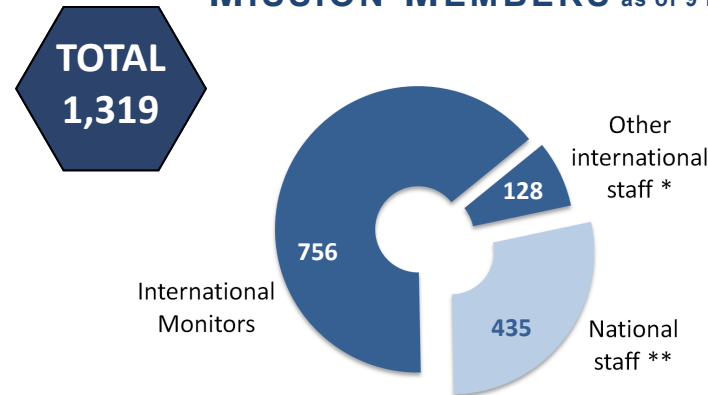


Demining near Marinka, Donetsk region (OSCE/Evgeniy Maloletka)

## FACTS MATTER

- Between 24 February and 8 March, the SMM recorded about 9,200 ceasefire violations, including 800 explosions. This compares with about 13,100 and 1,200, respectively, in the previous two-week period.
- The Mission continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three disengagement areas. The SMM observed a calm situation inside the disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska. It recorded ceasefire violations inside the disengagement area near Petrivske and saw mines and unexploded ordnance inside the disengagement area near Zolote.
- The SMM recorded 82 weapons in violation of their respective withdrawal lines, compared with 49 in the previous two-week period: eight in government-controlled areas and 74 in non-government-controlled areas.
- The Mission confirmed reports of seven civilian casualties, including one fatality, bringing the total number recorded since the beginning of the year to 21: two killed and 19 injured.
- SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) spotted almost 2,500 anti-tank mines on both sides of the contact line, three-fourths of which had previously been seen.
- The Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 47 times, all but one in non-government-controlled areas, mostly in southern Donetsk region. SMM UAVs were subjected to signal interference on both sides of the contact line on 25 occasions.
- Since 27 February, the Mission has been observing preventive measures related to the COVID-19 outbreak taken at entry-exit checkpoints (EECP). At all EECPs, the SMM observed officers of the Border Guard Service of Ukraine wearing protective masks and gloves, and measuring the temperature of civilians entering government-controlled areas.
- The SMM observed a large number of law enforcement officers maintaining security at a march in Kyiv to mark International Women's Day. About 3,500 participants expressed support for women's rights in Ukraine. Similar marches were observed in Kharkiv, Lviv, Kherson and Mariupol.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports).

## MISSION MEMBERS as of 9 March 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	Latvia	8
Armenia	2	Lithuania	1
Austria	9	Moldova	41
Azerbaijan	1	Mongolia	1
Belarus	5	Montenegro	3
Belgium	2	Netherlands	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	North Macedonia	26
Bulgaria	46	Norway	9
Canada	27	Poland	34
Croatia	10	Portugal	1
Czech Republic	13	Romania	29
Denmark	8	Russian Federation	41
Estonia	3	Serbia	15
Finland	25	Slovakia	12
France	16	Slovenia	1
Georgia	20	Spain	11
Germany	34	Sweden	16
Greece	21	Switzerland	6
Hungary	20	Tajikistan	12
Ireland	7	Turkey	10
Italy	19	United Kingdom	48
Kazakhstan	5	United States	54
Kyrgyzstan	23	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>756</b>
Male	613	Female	143

## SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

### Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 750 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 600 based in the east;
- From 45 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.