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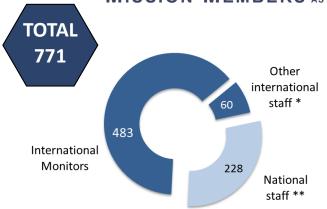


SMM monitors on patrol in eastern Ukraine, May 2015.

LATEST NEWS

- Areas in and around Donetsk airport were the primary focus of fighting. The situation in the Luhansk region remained tense with sporadic violence observed by the SMM in Shchastia, Trokhizbenka, Zolote and Stanytsia Luhanska.
- Despite claims to the contrary, neither side has completed the withdrawal of heavy weapons. SMM unmanned aerial vehicles and monitors on the ground spotted tanks and firing positions on both sides of the contact line.
- On 5 June the SMM Deputy Chief Monitor Alexander Hug briefed the United Nations Security Council on the recent situation in Ukraine.
- On 9 June the SMM visited the area of Shyrokyne (20km east of Mariupol) for the first time since 14 May. The SMM observed evidence of recent shelling, including damage to civilian houses, the smell of smoke and burnt houses. Among the "DPR" members at the checkpoint at the north-eastern entrance to Shyrokyne, the SMM saw young female and male armed persons.
- On 16 June in Minsk the SMM Chief Monitor Ambassador Ertugrul Apakan and Deputy Chief Monitor Hug attended another round of meetings coordinating the work of the working group on security issues under the auspices of the Trilateral Contact Group.
- Daily SMM reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian, Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm

MISSION MEMBERS AS OF 17.06.2015



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

WHAT IS SMM?

- The Special Monitoring Mission of unarmed civilian monitors operates at the invitation of the Ukrainian Government and with consensus decision by 57 participating states of the OSCE.
- The SMM aims to gather information and report on the security situation, establish and report the facts throughout Ukraine. It's not up to the SMM to draw conclusions or conduct any investigations.
- The SMM facilitates dialogue and access; talks to various community groups - including but not limited to authorities at all levels, civil society, ethnic and religious groups and local communities.
- The SMM is not a humanitarian mission but it does monitor and report on the human rights and humanitarian situation throughout Ukraine.
- The SMM monitors are from more than 40 OSCE participating states. All SMM members operate under the principles of impartiality and transparency.

MISSION MONITORS

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Albania	2	Kyrgyzstan	8
Armenia	2	Latvia	8
Austria	14	Lithuania	2
Belarus	1	Moldova	14
Bosnia and Herzegovina	11	Montenegro	1
Bulgaria	9	Netherlands	6
Canada	16	Norway	8
Croatia	12	Poland	25
Czech Republic	16	Portugal	5
Denmark	13	Romania	23
Estonia	7	Russian Federation	25
Finland	25	Serbia	6
France	8	Slovakia	6
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	8	Spain	11
Georgia	4	Sweden	15
Germany	20	Switzerland	10
Greece	10	Tajikistan	1
Hungary	22	Turkey	10
Ireland	8	United Kingdom	18
Italy	20	United States	50
Kazakhstan	3		
		TOTAL	483
Male	392	Female	91



