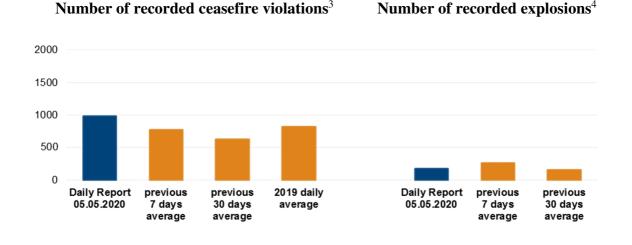


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Summary

- Compared with the previous 24 hours, the SMM recorded more ceasefire violations in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions.
- The Mission saw damage from small-arms fire to a residential house in Yasynuvata • and received information about civilians injured due to shelling in Oleksandrivka.
- Members of the armed formations continued to deny the SMM passage at • checkpoints along official crossing routes in Donetsk and Luhansk regions.*
- The Mission continued monitoring the disengagement areas near Stanytsia . Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske.
- It monitored and facilitated adherence to localised ceasefires to enable repairs to • critical civilian infrastructure in non-government-controlled areas of Luhansk region.
- The SMM continued following up on measures taken amid the COVID-19 outbreak, . including at entry-exit checkpoints and their corresponding checkpoints in Donetsk and Luhansk regions.
- The SMM's freedom of movement continued to be restricted in both Donetsk and . Luhansk regions.*



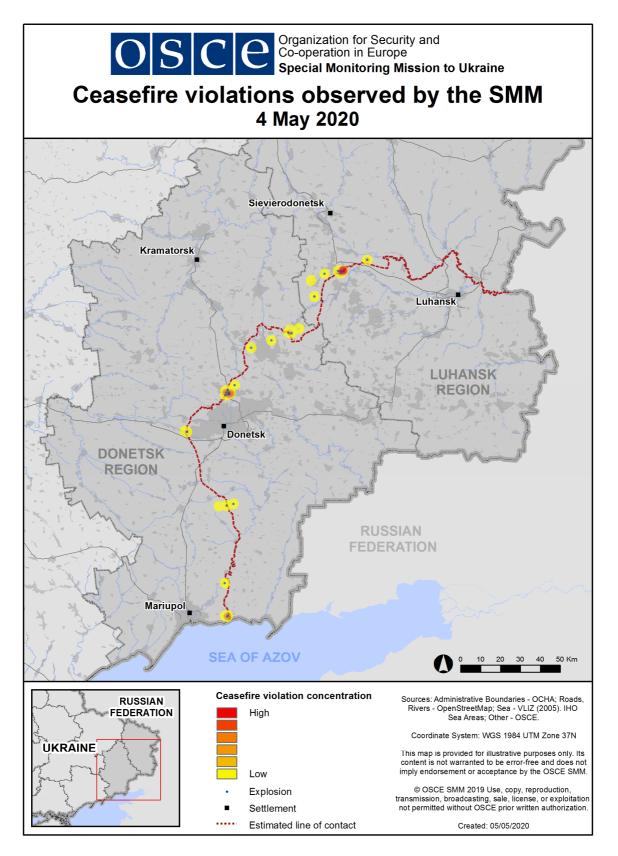
¹ Based on information from the Monitoring Teams as of 19:30, 4 May 2020. All times are in Eastern European Summer Time.

² For a complete breakdown of ceasefire violations, please see the annexed table. During the reporting period, the SMM camera at the Donetsk Filtration Station was not operational and heavy fog restricted the observations of SMM cameras.

³ Including explosions.

Ceasefire violations²

⁴ Including from unidentified weapons.



Map of recorded ceasefire violations

In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded more ceasefire violations, including more explosions (about 100), compared with the <u>previous 24 hours</u> (about 40 explosions). Most ceasefire violations, including most explosions, were recorded at northerly and westerly directions of Yasynuvata (non-government-controlled, 16km north-east of Donetsk), within a 5km radius of the Donetsk Filtration Station (DFS) (15km north of Donetsk) (see below), and in areas north and north-east of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km south of Donetsk).

In Luhansk region, the SMM recorded a more than five-fold increase in ceasefire violations, including more explosions (about 70), compared with the <u>previous 24 hours</u> (60 explosions). Most ceasefire violations, including the majority of explosions, were recorded in areas northeast of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk) (see below).

Damage from small-arms fire to a residential house in Yasynuvata and information about civilians injured due to shelling in Oleksandrivka

On 4 May, in the western part of Yasynuvata, at a one-storey residential house at 29 Hoholia Street, the SMM saw a bullet hole in a south-west-facing window, assessed as fresh and caused by small-arms fire. The building's owner (man in his sixties) told the SMM that he had heard shooting on the morning of 2 May and had discovered the hole that same morning.

On the evening of 4 May, at 20:30, the SMM received information that three children (girls, aged 7-10) and a man (in his mid-fifties) sustained injuries due to shelling in Oleksandrivka (non-government-controlled, 20km south-west of Donetsk). The Mission has spoken to two parents of the injured children, who said that their daughters had been playing inside a house on the afternoon of 4 May when they were injured by shrapnel from an explosion nearby. Two members of medical staff at hospitals in Donetsk city refused to provide the SMM with further information about the injured civilians without permission from senior members of the armed formations.* The SMM is currently following up on the incident.

Members of the armed formations continued to deny the SMM passage at checkpoints along the contact line in Donetsk and Luhansk regions

Members of the armed formations continued to deny the SMM passage at checkpoints in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions along official crossing routes. These restrictions constitute an impediment to the implementation of the Mission's mandate.⁵

In Donetsk region, on 2 May, at a checkpoint near Horlivka (non-government-controlled, 39km north-east of Donetsk), an SMM patrol again waited to no avail for members of the armed formations to remove a road barrier to allow the SMM passage towards non-government-controlled areas (see <u>SMM Spot Report 20/2020</u>).*

In Luhansk region, at a checkpoint south of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge (15km north-east of Luhansk), a member of the armed formations denied the SMM passage towards government-controlled areas, referring to the closure of the checkpoint due to COVID-19. A member of the armed formations added that the Mission would also not be allowed passage in the opposite direction (see <u>SMM Spot Report 20/2020</u>).*

⁵ The Mission began facing repeated denials when attempting to cross into non-government-controlled areas at checkpoints of the armed formations in Donetsk region on 21 March and Luhansk region on 23 March. For more information, see SMM Daily and Spot Reports.

Disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske⁶

On 2 May, an SMM mini-unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) spotted four infantry fighting vehicles (BMP variant) about 80m north of the northern edge of the **disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska** (government-controlled, 16km north-east of Luhansk) (see table below). On 4 May, inside the disengagement area, the SMM saw a member of the armed formations (wearing an armband with "JCCC" written on it) near their checkpoint south of the new span of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge.

On the night of 3-4 May, the SMM camera in Zolote recorded an undetermined explosion and four projectiles in flight, all at an assessed range of 2-5km east, assessed as outside **the disengagement area near Zolote** but within 5km of its periphery.

On 4 May, positioned at four locations near the disengagement area, the SMM recorded about 50 undetermined explosions and about 690 bursts of small-arms and heavy-machinegun fire in areas north-east of the disengagement area. All these ceasefire violations were assessed as outside the disengagement area but within 5km of its periphery. On the same day, the SMM saw three members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with "JCCC" written on them) near the southern edge of the disengagement area.

On 4 May, while positioned about 2km east of Bohdanivka (government-controlled, 41km south-west of Donetsk), the SMM heard an undetermined explosion at an assessed range of 2-3km south-east, assessed as inside **the disengagement area near Petrivske** (non-government-controlled, 41km south of Donetsk). On the same day, positioned at two locations near the disengagement area, the SMM heard and saw another undetermined explosion and seven shots of small-arms fire, assessed as outside the disengagement area but within 5km of its periphery.

Withdrawal of weapons

The SMM continued to monitor the withdrawal of weapons in implementation of the Memorandum and the Package of Measures and its Addendum. In a non-government-controlled area of Luhansk region, it saw three multiple launch rocket systems in a training area in violation of withdrawal lines.

Indications of military and military-type presence inside the security zone⁷

The SMM observed armoured combat vehicles in the security zone in governmentcontrolled residential areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions (for further details, see the table below).

Presence of mines near Marinka, Donetsk city, and Petrivske

On 2 May, on the north-eastern edge of Marinka (government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk), an SMM mid-range UAV <u>again</u> spotted at least 41 anti-tank mines (probable TM-62) laid across a road leading eastwards towards Donetsk city (non-government-

⁶ Disengagement is foreseen in the Framework Decision of the Trilateral Contact Group relating to disengagement of forces and hardware of 21 September 2016.

⁷ The hardware mentioned in this section is not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

controlled), all located 30-50m from the nearest residential houses, assessed as belonging to the Ukrainian Armed Forces.

On the same day, on the western outskirts of the Trudivski area of Donetsk city's Petrovskyi district (non-government-controlled, 15km south-west of Donetsk city centre), an SMM mid-range UAV again spotted at least 150 anti-tank mines.

On 4 May, in a field about 25m from the eastern side of road C-051532 between non-government-controlled Styla (34km south of Donetsk) and Petrivske, the SMM <u>again</u> saw an anti-vehicle mine (TM-83). Its presence impedes the SMM's access to its camera in Petrivske and prevents the performance of critical maintenance.

On the same day, in the southern part of Semyhiria (government-controlled, 58km northeast of Donetsk), the SMM saw for the first time a mine hazard sign on the western edge of a local road running southwards into a treeline.

SMM facilitation of repairs to and operation of critical civilian infrastructure

The SMM facilitated and monitored adherence to localised ceasefires to facilitate repairs to power lines in non-government-controlled Kalynove (60km west of Luhansk), Pervomaisk (58km west of Luhansk), and Almazna (55km west of Luhansk).

The SMM continued to facilitate the operation of the DFS. On 4 May, while positioned at three locations near the station, the Mission heard and saw about 30 explosions, one of which was assessed as an impact of an undetermined weapon, and heard about 150 shots and bursts of small-arms and heavy-machine-gun fire. All these ceasefire violations were assessed as within a 5km radius of the DFS (see the table below).

Measures taken at entry-exit checkpoints and corresponding checkpoints to counter COVID-19 outbreak

In Donetsk region, the SMM noted that the entry-exit checkpoints (EECP) near Maiorsk (government-controlled, 45km north-east of Donetsk) and Hnutove (government-controlled, 90km south of Donetsk), as well a checkpoint of the armed formations near Horlivka, remained closed.*

In Luhansk region, the SMM saw that the EECP in Stanytsia Luhanska and the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations south of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge remained closed.*

The Mission continued monitoring in Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Dnipro, Chernivtsi and Kyiv.

*Restrictions of the SMM's freedom of movement or other impediments to fulfilment of its mandate

The SMM's monitoring and freedom of movement are restricted by security hazards and threats, including risks posed by mines and unexploded ordnance (UXO) and other impediments – which vary from day to day. The SMM's mandate provides for safe and secure access throughout Ukraine. All signatories of the Package of Measures have agreed on the need for this safe and secure access, that restriction of the SMM's freedom of movement constitutes a violation, and on the need for rapid response to these violations. They have also agreed that the Joint Centre for Control and Co-

ordination (JCCC) should contribute to such response and co-ordinate mine clearance. Nonetheless, the armed formations in parts of Donetsk and Luhansk regions frequently deny the SMM access to areas adjacent to Ukraine's border outside control of the Government (for example, see <u>SMM Daily</u> <u>Report 28 March 2020</u>). The SMM's operations in Donetsk and Luhansk regions remain restricted following the fatal incident of 23 April 2017 near Pryshyb; these restrictions continued to limit the Mission's observations.

Denial of access:

- At a checkpoint south of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge (15km north-east of Luhansk), a member of the armed formations again denied the SMM passage towards government-controlled areas, referring to the closure of the checkpoint due to COVID-19 (see <u>SMM Spot Report 20/2020</u>).
- At a checkpoint near Horlivka (non-government-controlled, 39km north-east of Donetsk), an SMM patrol again waited to no avail for members of the armed formations to remove a road barrier to allow the SMM passage towards non-government-controlled areas (see <u>SMM Spot Report 20/2020</u>).

Regular restrictions related to disengagement areas and mines/UXO:

- The sides continued to deny the SMM full access, as well as the ability to travel certain roads previously identified as important for effective monitoring by the Mission and for civilians' movement, through failure to conduct comprehensive clearance of mines, UXO and other obstacles.

Other impediments:

- An SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, while flying over areas near Petrivske (non-government-controlled, 41km south of Donetsk).⁸
- On 5 May, outside of the reporting period, at two hospitals in Donetsk city (nongovernment-controlled), two members of medical staff refused to provide the SMM with information about civilian casualties without permission from senior members of the armed formations.

⁸ The interference could have originated from anywhere within the radius of kilometres from the UAVs' positions.

Table of weapons

Weapons in violation of withdrawal lines

Date	No. of weapons	Type of weapon	Location	Source of observation					
	Non-government-controlled areas								
29/04/2020	3	Multiple launch rocket system (type undetermined)	In a training area near Miusynsk (62km south-west of Luhansk)	Aerial Imagery					

Weapons beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites

Date	No. of weapons	Type of weapon	Location	Source of observation
		Governme	nt-controlled areas	
04/05/2020	2	Surface-to-air missile system (9K35 Strela-10)	At the railway station in Bakhmut (formerly	Patrol
	22	Tank (T-72)	Artemivsk, 67km north of Donetsk)	
		Non-governn	nent-controlled areas	
	8	Tank (type undetermined)	In a training area near Shymshynivka (27km south- west of Luhansk)	
	1	Tank (type undetermined)		
29/04/2020	12	Towed artillery (type undetermined)	In a training area near Miusynsk (62km south-west of Luhansk)	Aerial Imagery
	32	Self-propelled artillery (type undetermined)	of Luffallsk)	magery
30/04/2020	26	Tank (type undetermined)	In a training area near Kruhlyk (31km south-west of Luhansk)	

Table of military and military-type presence in the security zone⁹

Date	No.	Туре	Location	Source of observation
		Governi	ment-controlled areas	
02/05/2020	4	Infantry fighting vehicle (BMP variant)	In a residential area of Stanytsia Luhanska (16km north-east of Luhansk)	Mini-UAV
04/05/2020	1	Anti-aircraft gun (ZU-23, 23mm)	In a residential area of Semyhiria (58km north-east of Donetsk)	Patrol

⁹ The hardware mentioned in this section is not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

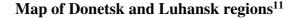
SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
SMM camera at	2-4km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	3-May, 20:49
entry-exit checkpoint in	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 20:52
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	3-May, 20:53
Marinka	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 20:54
(government-	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 20:55
controlled, 23km	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	3-May, 20:56
SW of Donetsk)	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 22:08
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE	N/K	3-May, 21:53
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 22:02
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Muzzle flash		N/K	3-May, 22:56
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	3-May, 23:44
	2-4km N	Recorded	2	Projectile	ESE to WNW	N/K	4-May, 00:02
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 00:05
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 01:48
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:00
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SE to NW	N/K	4-May, 02:01
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:06
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:08
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:09
CMM	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:10
SMM camera 1km SW of	2-4km NNE	Recorded	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:12
Shyrokyne	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:15
(government-	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:20
controlled, 100km	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:21
S of Donetsk)	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:22
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:27
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:29
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:31
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	6	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:35
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:37
	2-4km NNE	Recorded	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:39
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:40
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 02:43
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 03:24
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 03:29
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 03:32
	2-5km NNE	Recorded	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 03:32
	3-4km W	Heard	30	Burst	Chaeterhinied	HMG	4-May, 09:45-09:47
	3-4km W	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 09:50
	3-4km W	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 09:52
About 1km NW of the railway station in Yasynuvata (non- government-	2km WSW	Heard	3	Shot	Outgoing	HMG	4-May, 09:52
	2-3km WSW	Heard	9	Shot	Juigonig	Small arms	4-May, 09:58-10:00
	2-4km WNW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 10:07
controlled, 16km	1-2km WSW	Heard	90	Shot		HMG	4-May, 10:48-10:53
NE of Donetsk)	2-3km WSW	Heard	7	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 10:48-10:53
	1-2km WSW	Heard	10	Shot		HMG	4-May, 10:56
	2-3km WSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 10:56

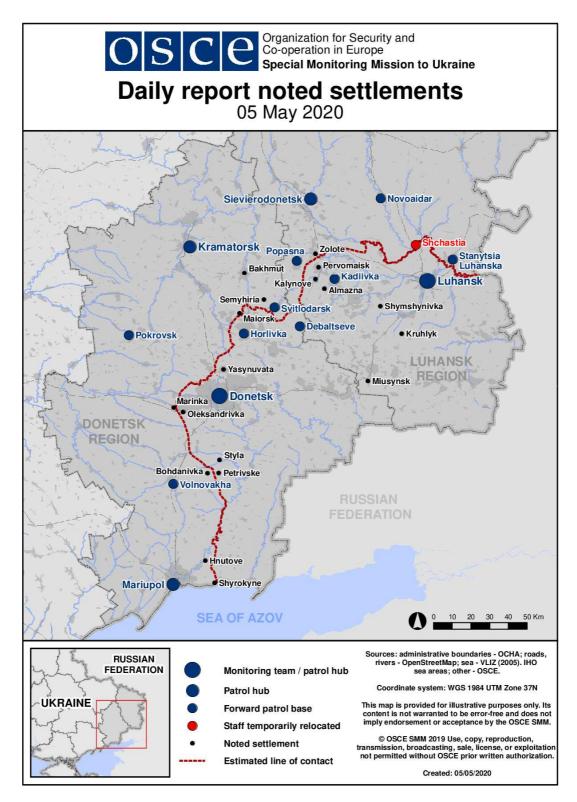
Table of ceasefire violations as of 4 May 2020¹⁰

¹⁰ The table only includes ceasefire violations directly observed by the SMM patrols or recorded by the SMM cameras and it may include those also assessed to be live-fire exercises, controlled detonations, etc. Details provided – in terms of distance, direction, weapons-type, etc. – are based on assessments provided by monitors on the ground and technical monitoring officers, and are not always necessarily precise. When information is not known (indicated with an "N/K"), the SMM was unable to ascertain such information due to distance, weather conditions technical limitations and/or other considerations. Ceasefire violations recorded by more than one patrol/camera and assessed to be the same are entered only once.

	2km W	Heard and saw	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 11:04
	2km W	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 11:24
	2km WSW	Heard	12	Shot		Small arms	4-May, 11:35
	2km WSW	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 11:35
	2km W	Heard and saw	1	Explosion	Impact	N/K	4-May, 14:40
Railway station in Yasynuvata (non- government- controlled, 16km NE of Donetsk)	4-5km N	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 13:22
About 2km N of Petrivske (non-	2-3km SSE	Heard	2	Shot	Assessed as outside the disengagement area	Small arms	4-May, 12:51-12:52
government- controlled, 41km S of Donetsk)	2-3km SSE	Heard and saw	1	Explosion	Impact (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 13:38
Horlivka (non-	4-6km NW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 07:26
government- controlled, 39km NE of Donetsk)	4-6km NNE	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 07:35-07:39
About 2km E of Bohdanivka (government- controlled, 41km SW of Donetsk)	2-3km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as inside the Petrivske disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 09:14
	2-4km SW	Heard	5	Shot	Assessed as outside the Petrivske disengagement area	Small arms	4-May, 14:03
About 200m NNW of Pavlopil (government- controlled, 84km S of Donetsk)	1.5km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Outgoing	N/K	4-May, 11:55
About 2.5km SE of Avdiivka	1-2km NE	Heard	2	Burst		Small arms	4-May, 09:31
government-	1-2km SE	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 09:51
controlled, 17km	1-2km SE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 11:25
N of Donetsk)	3-5km S		4	-	Undetermined	N/K	
	3-5km S	Heard Heard	4	Explosion Burst	Undetermined	HMG	3-May, 19:40 3-May, 19:40
	3-5km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 19.40
	3-5km SSW	Heard	1	Burst	Undetermined	HMG	3-May, 21:32
	3-5km SSW	Heard	2	Burst		HMG	3-May, 22:10
Svitlodarsk	3-5km ESE	Heard	2 7	Burst		HMG	3-May, 22:13
government- controlled, 57km	3-5km SSW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 22:38-22:39
NE of Donetsk)	3-5km SSW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 22:38-22.39
	3-5km S	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K N/K	3-May, 22:56
	2-3km SSW	Heard	2	Burst	Chacterininea	HMG	3-May, 22:00
	2-5km 55 W	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	3-May, 23:00
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Burst	Chacterininea	HMG	3-May, 23:00
SMM camera in Zolote (government- controlled, 60km	2-3km 55 W	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 00:26
W of Luhansk)	3-5km E	Recorded	3	Projectile	W to E (assessed as	N/K	4-May, 00:49

					outside the disengagement area)		
	3-5km E	Recorded	1	Projectile	W to E (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 00:52
N edge of Popasna (government- controlled, 69km W of Luhansk)	2-3km SW	Heard	6	Shot		Small arms	3-May, 23:00
2km S of Muratove (government- controlled, 51km NW of Luhansk)	4-6km S	Heard	13	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 10:04-10:1
About 500m N of Pervomaisk (non- government- controlled, 58km west of Luhansk)	4-6km NE	Heard	42	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the Zolote disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 11:12-12:0
	4-6km NE	Heard	673	Burst	Undetermined (assessed as outside the Zolote disengagement area)	HMG	4-May, 11:12-12:0
N edge of Zolote (government-	3-5km SE	Heard	6	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 11:25-11:3
controlled, 60km W of Luhansk)	3-5km SE	Heard	14	Burst	Assessed as outside the disengagement area	HMG	4-May, 11:25-11:3
W edge of Zolote- 2/Karbonit (government- controlled, 62km W of Luhansk)	4-6km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	4-May, 12:14
N edge of Popasna (government- controlled, 69km W of Luhansk)	8-12km S	Heard	8	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	4-May, 15:55-16:1





¹¹The SMM is deployed to ten locations throughout Ukraine – Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Donetsk, Dnipro, Chernivtsi, Luhansk and Kyiv – as per Permanent Council Decision 1117 of 21 March 2014. This map of eastern Ukraine is meant for illustrative purposes and indicates locations mentioned in the report, as well as those where the SMM has offices (monitoring teams, patrol hubs, and forward patrol bases) in Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (In red: a forward patrol base from which SMM staff has temporarily relocated based on recommendations of security experts from participating States as well as SMM security considerations. The SMM uses the premises during daylight hours and patrols in this settlement during daylight hours, as well).