

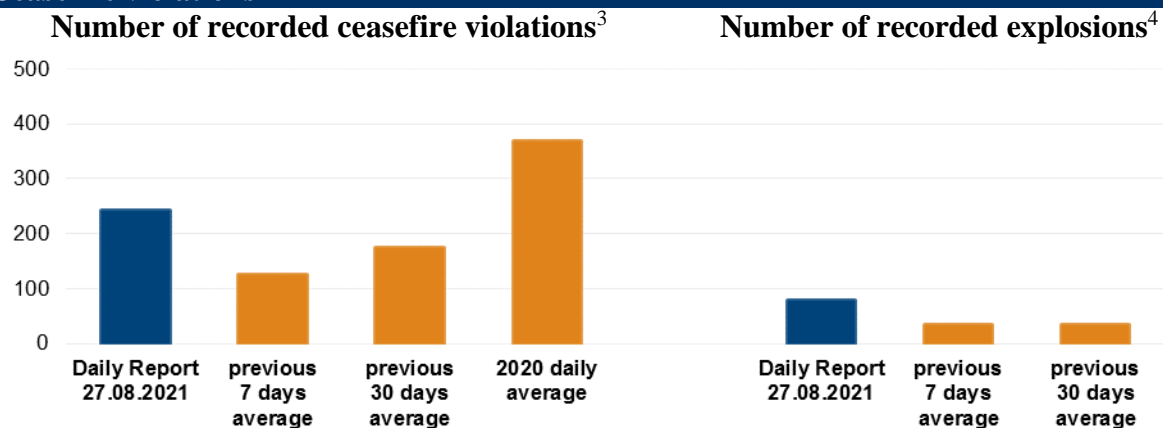
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Summary

- In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 87 ceasefire violations, including 28 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded 12 ceasefire violations in the region.
- In Luhansk region, the Mission recorded 155 ceasefire violations, including 51 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded 107 ceasefire violations in the region.
- The Mission continued monitoring the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske. It recorded ceasefire violations close to the disengagement areas near Zolote and Petrivske.
- The SMM facilitated and monitored adherence to localized ceasefires to enable the operation and repairs to critical civilian infrastructure.
- The Mission continued following up on the situation of civilians, including at four entry-exit checkpoints and three corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations in Donetsk and Luhansk regions.
- The Mission's freedom of movement continued to be restricted, including at a heavy weapons holding area and a permanent storage site, at checkpoint of the armed formations, and at two border crossing points in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions. Its unmanned aerial vehicles again experienced instances of GPS signal interference.*

Ceasefire violations²



¹ Based on information from the Monitoring Teams as of 19:30, 26 August 2021. All times are in Eastern European Summer Time.

² For a complete breakdown of ceasefire violations, please see the annexed table.

³ Including explosions.

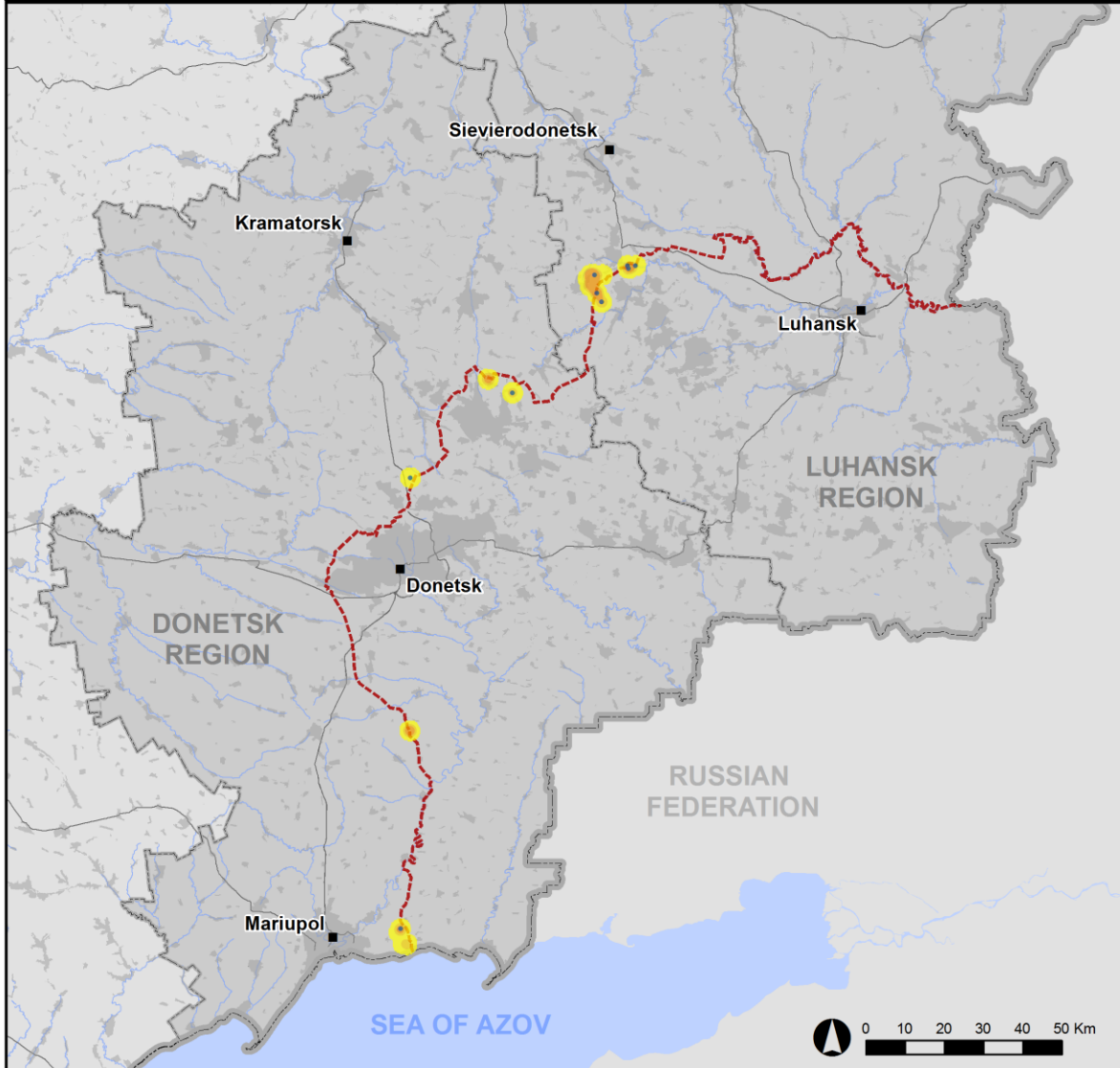
⁴ Including from unidentified weapons.

Map of recorded ceasefire violations

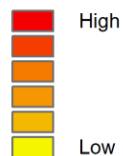


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Ceasefire violations observed by the SMM 26 August 2021



Ceasefire violation concentration



- Explosion
- Settlement
- Estimated line of contact

Sources: Administrative Boundaries - OCHA; Roads, Rivers - OpenStreetMap; Sea - VLIZ (2005). IHO Sea Areas; Other - OSCE.

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 UTM Zone 37N

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In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 87 ceasefire violations, including 28 undetermined explosions. The majority of ceasefire violations occurred at northerly directions of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km south of Donetsk), close to the disengagement area near Petrivske (non-government-controlled, 41km south of Donetsk) (see below) and at north-westerly directions of Holmivskiyi (non-government-controlled, 49km north-east of Donetsk). In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded 12 ceasefire violations, some of which also occurred in areas close to the disengagement area near Petrivske.

In Luhansk region, the SMM recorded 155 ceasefire violations, including 51 undetermined explosions. All ceasefire violations occurred at easterly and south-easterly directions of Popasna (government-controlled, 69km west of Luhansk) and at easterly and south-westerly directions of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk) (see below). In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded 107 ceasefire violations, the majority of which also occurred in areas near Popasna.

Following agreement reached at the meeting of the Trilateral Contact Group on 22 July 2020 regarding measures to strengthen the ceasefire, from 00:01 on 27 July 2020 until the end of the reporting period, the SMM has recorded at least 52,311 ceasefire violations in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions (including 14,739 explosions, 10,243 projectiles in flight, 269 muzzle flashes, 203 illumination flares and at least 26,857 bursts and shots).

Disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske⁵

Inside the **disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska** (government-controlled, 16km north-east of Luhansk), the Mission saw four members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them) south of the repaired span of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge (15km north-east of Luhansk).

On the evening of 25 August, while on the northern edge of Popasna, the Mission heard 15 undetermined explosions and 25 bursts and shots of heavy-machine-gun fire at an assessed range of 3-7km east and east-south-east. During the day on 26 August, while positioned at two locations near the **disengagement area near Zolote**, the SMM heard 12 undetermined explosions and 15 bursts and shots of small-arms fire. All these ceasefire violations were assessed as outside the disengagement area but within 5km of its periphery.

On 25 August, 50m north of the northern edge of the disengagement area and 75m north-east of the intersection of road T-1316 and the road to Zolote-4/Rodina (government-controlled, 62km west of Luhansk), the SMM saw four workers (men, in their thirties) using a crane to place concrete blocks on the western side of a previously observed concrete structure. On 26 August, west of the aforementioned structure, along the road to Zolote-4/Rodina, the SMM observed a newly built 20m-long concrete wall (about 1m high and 0.5m wide). (For previous observations in the area, see [SMM Daily Report of 26 August](#).)

On the same day, near the checkpoint of the armed formations south of the disengagement area, the Mission saw six members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them). The Mission again saw the seven previously observed containers located south of the disengagement area’s southern edge and inside the area.

⁵ Disengagement is foreseen in the Framework Decision of the Trilateral Contact Group relating to disengagement of forces and hardware of 21 September 2016.

Also on the same day, inside the disengagement area, about 350m north of its southern edge and 12m west of road T-1316, the SMM observed a previously reported hole in the ground, with wooden planks inserted on two sides for support. The Mission also observed an open trapdoor (not previously reported) above the opening. The SMM saw recently dug up earth atop a wooden board next to the entrance; east of a previously observed mine sign. Three members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them) told the SMM that the structure is an underground shelter. (For previous information in this area, please see [SMM Daily Report of 25 August 2021](#)).

On 26 August, while flying over the southern edge of the area, an SMM mini-unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming. (See below.)*

On the night of 25-26 August, the SMM camera 2km east of Bohdanivka (government-controlled, 41km south-west of Donetsk) recorded 23 projectiles in flight, at an assessed range of 3-5km south-east, assessed as outside the **disengagement area near Petrivske** but within 5km of its periphery.

During the day on 26 August, while positioned at two locations near the area, the SMM observed a calm situation.

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 violation of withdrawal lines, the Mission saw 20 howitzers, eight tanks and six multiple launch rocket systems in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions, including at an airfield, in two training areas and in three residential areas.

Beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites, the Mission observed six tanks, two surface-to-air missile systems and one mortar in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions, all at an airfield and in a residential area. (For further information, see the tables below.)

Indication of military and military-type presence in the security zone

In a non-government-controlled area of Donetsk region, the SMM saw 18 armored combat vehicles, including 16 in a training area, in a zone within which deployment of heavy armament and military equipment is proscribed according to Point 5 of the Memorandum of 19 September 2014. (For further information, see the table below.)

Presence of anti-tank mines near Slavne and Vesele, Donetsk region

On 24 August, about 4km east of Slavne (government-controlled, 26km south-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV saw five anti-tank mines (not previously reported) laid across a road leading towards Olenivka (non-government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk), assessed as not recently laid and belonging to the Ukrainian Armed Forces.

On the same day, at two locations about 1km north-north-east and about 2km north-east of Vesele (non-government-controlled, 9km north-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted 123 [previously reported](#) anti-tank mines laid across a former runway and two former taxiways of the destroyed Donetsk international airport (8km north-west of Donetsk), assessed as belonging to the armed formations.

Recent craters near Opytne and in Syhnalne, Donetsk region

On 24 August, in a field about 3km south-west of Opytne (government-controlled, 12km north-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted five impact craters (not previously reported), assessed as recent and caused by probable 120mm mortar rounds. At the same location, the Mission also spotted at least two impact craters (not previously reported and not seen in imagery from 13 May 2021) and caused by probable 122mm artillery rounds fired from an east-south-easterly direction.

On the same day, in a field near a residential area on the northern edge of Syhnalne (non-government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV saw seven impact craters (not previously reported and not seen in imagery from 1 February 2021), caused by probable 82mm mortar rounds.

SMM facilitation of the operation and repairs of critical civilian infrastructure

The Mission continued to facilitate the operation of the Donetsk Filtration Station (15km north of Donetsk) and monitored the security situation near the pumping station near Vasylivka (non-government-controlled, 20km north of Donetsk).

The SMM monitored adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs to power lines near Nevelske (government-controlled, 18km north-west of Donetsk) and to water pipelines near Mykolaivka Druha (government-controlled, 55km north of Donetsk).

Situation at entry-exit checkpoints and corresponding checkpoints

In Donetsk region, the SMM observed that the entry-exit checkpoint (EECP) near Marinka (government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk) was open, but that the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations near Kremynets (non-government-controlled, 16km south-west of Donetsk) was closed.

In Luhansk region, the Mission observed that the EECP near Stanytsia Luhanska and the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations were open, with people queuing to travel in both directions.

In the area of the EECP, the SMM noted that a previously observed metal fence was no longer present. It also saw seven workers (men, in their twenties and thirties) removing metal poles from the abovementioned fence and replacing them with new ones. The SMM also saw two other workers (men, in their thirties) using a lift platform truck to install lamps with solar panels.

The Mission noted that the EECPs near Zolote and Shchastia (government-controlled, 20km north of Luhansk) were open, but that the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations south of the disengagement area near Zolote was closed.

Border areas outside government control⁶

On 26 August, while at a border crossing point near Marynivka (78km east of Donetsk), for about 110 minutes, the SMM observed 36 cars (including 15 with “DPR” plates), three covered cargo trucks (including two with “DPR” plates), six buses (including five with “DPR” plates, all six carrying passengers of mixed genders and ages) and 33 people (14 women and, 16 men of mixed ages and three teenagers) entering Ukraine. During the same time, the Mission also observed 39 cars (including 20 with “DPR” plates), eight covered cargo trucks (including seven with “DPR” plates), one fuel tanker (with “DPR” plates), 11 buses (with “DPR” plates, all carrying passengers of mixed genders and ages) and 17 people (11 women and three men of mixed ages, and three children) exiting Ukraine.

On 25 August, while at a border crossing point near Voznesenivka (formerly Chervonopartyzansk, 65km south-east of Luhansk), the SMM observed 46 cars (including 24 with “LPR” plates), three covered cargo trucks (with “LPR” plates) and three people (two women and a man, of mixed ages) queuing to exit Ukraine. After about five minutes, an armed member of the armed formations told the Mission to leave the area.*

On the same day, while at a border crossing point near Izvaryne (52km south-east of Luhansk), the SMM observed 121 cars (including 70 with “LPR” plates and one with “DPR” plates) queuing to enter Ukraine. After about five minutes, a member of the armed formations told the Mission to leave the area.*

On 26 August, while at a border crossing point near Voznesenivka for about 15 minutes, the SMM observed one covered cargo truck (with “LPR” plates) and one bus (carrying passengers of mixed genders and ages) entering Ukraine.

On the same day, while at a border crossing point near Izvaryne for about 15 minutes, the SMM observed one bus (with “LPR” plates) and two people (man and woman, mixed ages) entering Ukraine.

Also on the same day, the Mission also monitored areas near the border with the Russian Federation near Dmytrivka (85km east of Donetsk), Rozsypne (80km east of Donetsk) and Zalisne (75km east of Donetsk) and observed no change in the security situation.

The SMM 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, 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 Minsk agreements 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

⁶ According to decisions in 2014 by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, operations are officially designated as suspended at these and other border crossing points located outside government control.

response to these violations. They have also agreed that the Joint Centre for Control and Coordination (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 below). 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:

- On 26 August, in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk region, members of the armed formations denied the Mission access to a heavy weapons holding area and a permanent storage site: at the heavy weapons holding area, three members of the armed formations stated that no heavy equipment was inside the area and at the permanent storage site, two members of the armed formations, one of them visibly armed, cited "orders from their superiors".
- On the same day, at a checkpoint near Markyne (non-government-controlled, 94km south of Donetsk), an armed member of the armed formations denied the SMM passage west towards Oleksandrivske (formerly Rozy Liuksemburh, non-government-controlled, 90km south-east of Donetsk), citing "orders from superiors".
- On 25 August, at a border crossing point near Voznesenivka (formerly Chervonopartyzansk, non-government-controlled, 65km south-east of Luhansk), an armed member of the armed formations told the Mission to leave the area, citing "lack of prior co-ordination and instructions by superiors not to talk to the SMM".
- On the same day, at a border crossing point near Izvaryne (non-government-controlled, 52km south-east of Luhansk), a member of the armed formations told the Mission to leave the area, citing "instructions by superiors not to talk to the SMM".

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 impediments⁷:

- An SMM mid-range UAV flight was cancelled due to GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, in an area near Semyhiria (government-controlled, 58km north-east of Donetsk).
- SMM mini-UAVs experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, during eight flights: once over areas near Chermalyk (government-controlled, 77km south of Donetsk), once over areas near Semyhiria, once over the southern edge of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk), twice over areas near Perevalsk (non-government-controlled, 38km west of Luhansk) and three times over areas near Teple (government-controlled, 31km north of Luhansk).

⁷ For cases of probable jamming and jamming mentioned in this section, the interferences could have originated from anywhere within the radius of tens of kilometres from the UAVs' positions.

Tables of weapons

Weapons in violation of withdrawal lines

| Date | No. of weapons | Type of weapon | Location | Source of observation |
|--|----------------|---|---|-----------------------|
| Non-government-controlled areas | | | | |
| 24/8/2021 | 7 | Tank (type undetermined) | In a training area near Boikivske (formerly Telmanove, 67km south-east of Donetsk), in a zone within which deployment of heavy armament and military equipment is further proscribed according to Point 5 of the Memorandum of 19 September 2014. | Aerial imagery |
| 25/8/2021 | 7 | Towed howitzer (D-30 <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm) | At an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk) | Mini-UAV |
| | 1 | Towed howitzer (2A65 <i>Msta-B</i> , 152mm) | | |
| | 1 | Self-propelled howitzer (2S1 <i>Gvozdika</i> , 122mm) | | |
| | 1 | Self-propelled howitzer (2S3 <i>Akatsiya</i> , 152mm) | | |
| | 6 | Multiple launch rocket system (BM-21 <i>Grad</i> , 122mm) | | |
| 26/8/2021 | 2 | Towed howitzer (2A65 <i>Msta-B</i> , 152mm) | In a residential area of Makiivka (12km north-east of Donetsk) | Patrol |
| | 2 | Towed howitzer (D30 <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm) | Near Makiivka (12km north-east of Donetsk) | |
| | 1 | Tank (T-64) | In a residential area of Donetsk city's Kuibyshevskiyi district (5km west of Donetsk city centre) | |
| | 3 | Self-propelled howitzer (2S1 <i>Gvozdika</i> , 122mm) | In a training area near Ternove (57km east of Donetsk), where the Mission also observed three anti-aircraft guns and seven armoured combat vehicles. ⁸ | |
| | 3 | | In a residential area of Novoazovsk (102km south-east of Donetsk) | |

Weapons beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites

| Date | No. of weapons | Type of weapon | Location | Source of observation |
|--|----------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| Non-government-controlled areas | | | | |
| 25/8/2021 | 1 | Towed mortar (2B9 <i>Vasilek</i> , 82mm) | At an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk) | Mini-UAV |
| | 1 | Surface-to-air missile system (9K35 <i>Strela-10</i>) | | |
| | 1 | Surface-to-air missile system (9K33 <i>Osa</i>) | | |
| | 5 | Tank (T-64) | | |
| 26/8/2021 | 1 | Tank (T-72) | In a residential area of Novoazovsk (102km south-east of Donetsk) | |

Other weapons⁹

| Date | No. of weapons | Type of weapon | Location | Source of observation |
|--|----------------|---|--|-----------------------|
| Non-government-controlled areas | | | | |
| 25/8/2021 | 2 | Towed anti-tank gun (type undetermined) | At an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk) | Mini-UAV |

Table of military and military-type presence in the security zone¹⁰

| Date | No. | Type | Location | Source of observation |
|--|-----|------|----------|-----------------------|
| Non-government-controlled areas | | | | |

⁸ The anti-aircraft guns and armoured combat vehicles mentioned in this section are not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

⁹ The SMM was unable to assess whether these weapons were in violation of withdrawal lines in the absence of information on their calibre.

¹⁰ The hardware mentioned in this section is not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

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|-----------|----|---|---|----------------|
| 24/8/2021 | 16 | Armoured combat vehicle (type undetermined) | In a training area near Boikivske (formerly Telmanove, 67km south-east of Donetsk), in a zone within which deployment of heavy armament and military equipment is proscribed according to Point 5 of the Memorandum of 19 September 2014. | Aerial imagery |
| | 2 | | Near Boikivske (formerly Telmanove, 67km south-east of Donetsk) | |

Table of ceasefire violations as of 26 August 2021¹¹

| SMM position | Event location | Means | No. | Observation | Description | Weapon | Date, time |
|---|----------------|----------|-----|----------------|---|------------|---------------------|
| SMM camera 2km E of Bohdanivka (government-controlled, 41km SW of Donetsk) | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 3 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 00:12 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 2 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 00:38 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 1 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 00:50 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 1 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:43 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 6 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:44 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 1 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:45 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 2 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:46 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 2 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:47 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 2 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 01:48 |
| | 3-5km SE | Recorded | 3 | Projectile | SW to NE (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Petrivske) | N/K | 26-Aug, 02:18 |
| SMM camera 1km SW of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km S of Donetsk) | 2-4km N | Recorded | 1 | Projectile | W to E | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:27 |
| | 2-4km N | Recorded | 1 | Muzzle flash | | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:28 |
| | 2-4km N | Recorded | 1 | Muzzle flash | | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:29 |
| | 2-4km NNE | Recorded | 3 | Projectile | W to E | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:29 |
| | 2-4km NNE | Recorded | 4 | Projectile | W to E | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:30 |
| | 2-4km NNE | Recorded | 3 | Projectile | W to E | N/K | 25-Aug, 22:31 |
| About 2km W of Vasylivka (non-government-controlled, 20km north of Donetsk) | 2-3km NW | Heard | 1 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 10:22 |
| Holmivskiyi (non-government-controlled, 49km NE of Donetsk) | 2km NW | Heard | 20 | Burst | | Small arms | 26-Aug, 12:08 |
| About 2.5km SE of Lebedynske (government-controlled, 99km S of Donetsk) | 5km NNE | Heard | 9 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 13:35-13:46 |
| | 3-5km NNE | Heard | 3 | Burst | | HMG | 26-Aug, 13:44 |
| | 5km NNE | Heard | 7 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 13:46-13:55 |
| Svitlodarsk (government-controlled, 57km NE of Donetsk) | 6-8km SW | Heard | 7 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 16:49-16:50 |
| | 6-8km SW | Heard | 4 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 16:51 |
| N edge of Popasna (government-controlled, 69km W of Luhansk) | 2-4km E | Heard | 27 | Burst and shot | | HMG | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 3-5km E | Heard | 15 | Explosion | Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote) | N/K | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 3-5km SE | Heard | 19 | Burst and shot | | HMG | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 5-8km SE | Heard | 9 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 5-8km SE | Heard | 14 | Burst and shot | | HMG | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 5-7km E | Heard | 4 | Burst and shot | Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote | HMG | 25-Aug, 19:40-21:25 |
| | 2-3km ESE | Heard | 4 | Shot | | Small arms | 25-Aug, 23:41 |
| | 3-5km ESE | Heard | 21 | Burst | Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote | HMG | 25-Aug, 23:48 |
| | 3-5km E | Heard | 10 | Burst | Assessed as outside the disengagement area | Small arms | 26-Aug, 14:09-14:10 |

¹¹ The table only includes ceasefire violations directly observed by 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.

| SMM position | Event location | Means | No. | Observation | Description | Weapon | Date, time |
|--|----------------|-------|-----|-------------|---|------------|---------------------|
| About 70m N of the N edge of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km W of Luhansk) | 3-5km E | Heard | 5 | Shot | Assessed as outside the disengagement area | Small arms | 26-Aug, 14:09-14:10 |
| | 3-5km E | Heard | 2 | Explosion | Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area) | N/K | 26-Aug, 14:11 |
| Pervomaisk (non-government-controlled, 58km W of Luhansk) | 5-7km SW | Heard | 15 | Explosion | Undetermined | N/K | 26-Aug, 16:40-16:52 |
| SW edge of Zolote-3/Stakhanovets (government-controlled, 61km west of Luhansk) | 7-8km E | Heard | 8 | Explosion | Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area) | N/K | 26-Aug, 16:42-16:44 |
| | 5-6km E | Heard | 2 | Explosion | Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area) | N/K | 26-Aug, 16:49 |

Map of Donetsk and Luhansk regions¹²



¹² The 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 have 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 also patrols in this settlement during daylight hours).