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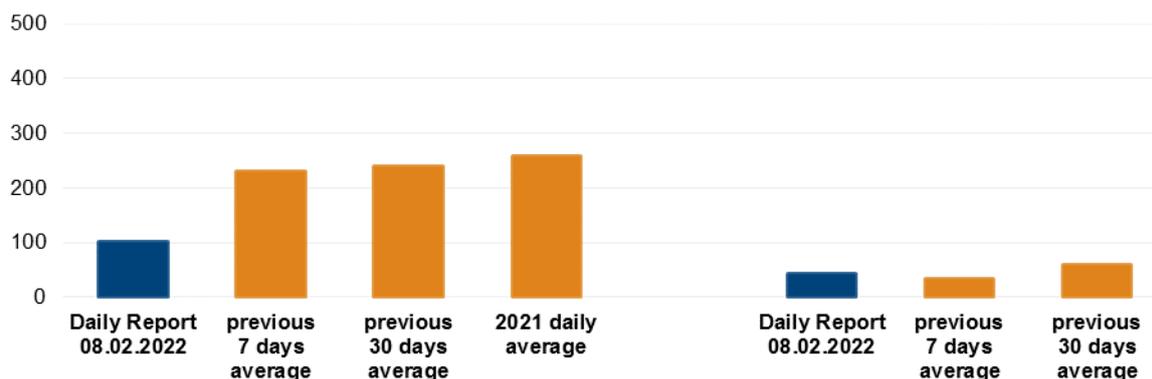
Summary

- In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 76 ceasefire violations, including 23 explosions. In the previous 24 hours, it recorded 34 ceasefire violations in the region.
- In Luhansk region, the Mission recorded 25 ceasefire violations, including 20 explosions. In the previous 24 hours, it recorded 33 ceasefire violations in the region.
- The SMM saw recent damage to an inhabited residential property in government-controlled Pavlopil, Donetsk region.
- The Mission continued monitoring the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske. It observed people inside the disengagement areas near Zolote and Petrivske.
- The SMM monitored the operation of 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 SMM monitored a border crossing point in Kharkiv region.
- The Mission's freedom of movement continued to be restricted. The Mission's UAVs again encountered multiple instances of GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming.*

Ceasefire violations²

Number of recorded ceasefire violations³

Number of recorded explosions⁴



¹ Based on information from the Monitoring Teams as of 19:30, 7 February 2022. All times are in Eastern European Time. Weather conditions limited the observational capabilities of the SMM camera near Shyrokyne.

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

³ Including explosions.

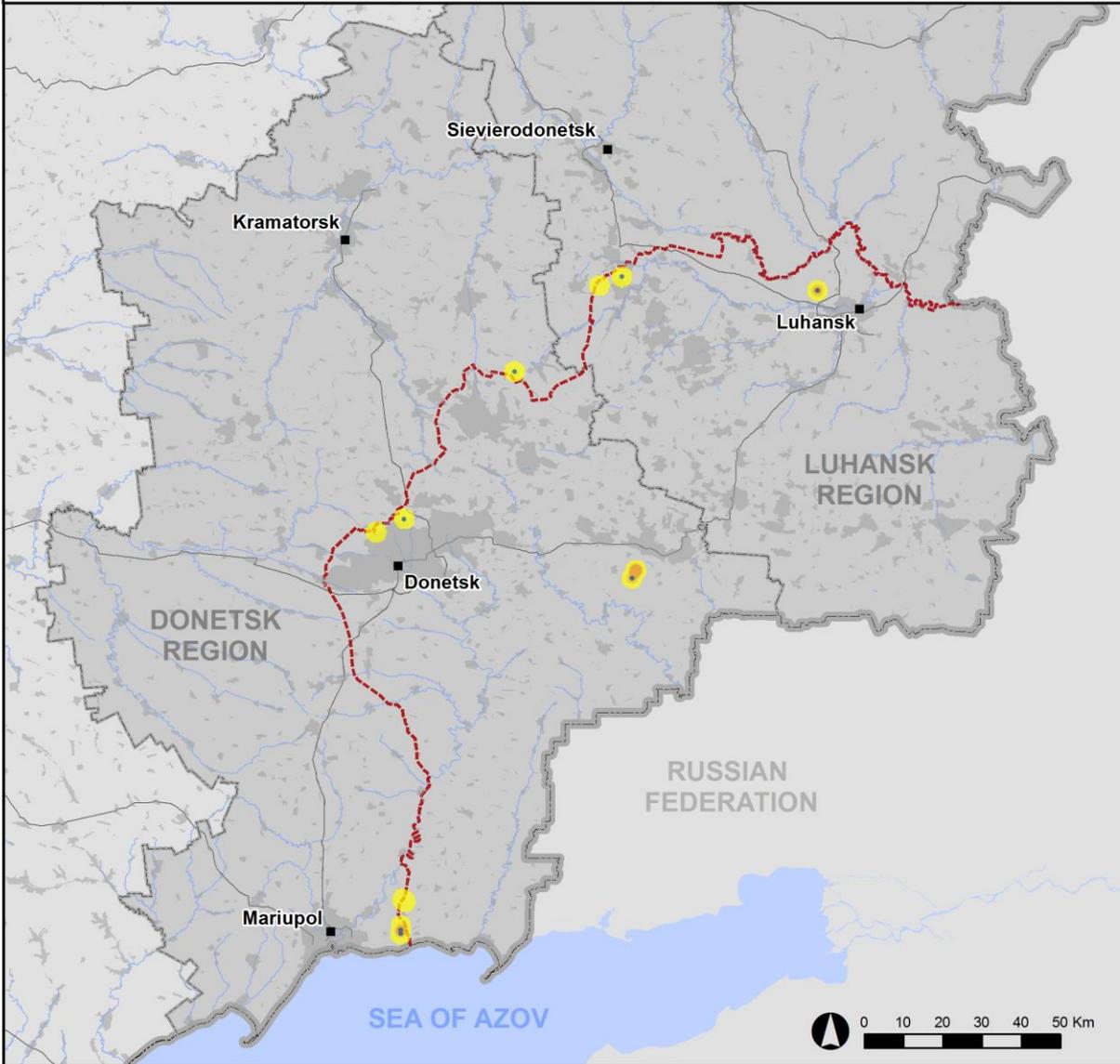
⁴ Including from unidentified weapons.

Map of recorded ceasefire violations



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Ceasefire violations observed by the SMM 7 February 2022



Ceasefire violation concentration

- High
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- Low
- 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 76 ceasefire violations, including 23 explosions (one airburst and 22 undetermined). The majority of ceasefire violations occurred in areas west-south-west and west-north-west of Manuilivka (non-government-controlled, 65km east of Donetsk) and north of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km south of Donetsk). The Mission assessed all 46 ceasefire violations near Manuilivka as a live-fire training exercise outside the security zone. In the [previous 24 hours](#), the Mission recorded 34 ceasefire violations in the region, some of which also occurred near Shyrokyne.

In Luhansk region, the SMM recorded 25 ceasefire violations, including 20 undetermined explosions. Almost all ceasefire violations, 18 undetermined explosions, occurred in an area west of Metalist (non-government-controlled, 7km north-east of Luhansk) and were assessed as a live-fire exercise in violation of the decision of the Trilateral Contact Group (TCG) of 3 March 2016 that prohibits the conduct of live-fire training in the security zone. In the [previous 24 hours](#), the Mission recorded 33 ceasefire violations in the region.

Following agreement reached at the meeting of the TCG 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 106,487 ceasefire violations in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions (including 28,850 explosions, 25,522 projectiles in flight, 454 muzzle flashes, 488 illumination flares and at least 51,173 bursts and shots).

Damage to an inhabited residential property in government-controlled Pavlopil, Donetsk region

On 6 February, the Mission followed up on reports of damage to an inhabited residential house in Pavlopil (government-controlled, 84km south of Donetsk).

In the north-eastern part of Pavlopil, at an inhabited one-storey residential house at 21 Molodizhna Street, the SMM saw black marks, assessed as a spray of carbon deposit stretching for about 3m from the ground of its north-north-west-facing corner, up to a height of about 1.5m, where the Mission observed that a north-west-facing window was partially covered with plastic foil. On the same north-west-facing wall, it also observed that the two outer glass panes of a triple-pane window were broken. The SMM assessed the damage to the house as recent, but was unable to determine the type of weapon used or the direction of fire.

Disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske⁵

The Mission monitored government-controlled areas inside and near the **disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska** (government-controlled, 16km north-east of Luhansk) and observed a calm situation.

During the day on 5 February, inside the **disengagement area near Zolote** (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk), an SMM long-range UAV spotted two people in former positions of the Ukrainian Armed Forces: one about 300m west-south-west of the area's north-eastern corner and the other about 1.5km east-south-east of the area's north-western corner.

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

On 7 February, SMM patrols heard two undetermined explosions and five shots of heavy-machine-gun and small-arms fire, assessed as outside the disengagement area, but within 5km of its periphery. (For details, see the table below.)

On the same day, an SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming during two flights over the northern edge of the disengagement area (see below).*

Also on the same day, near the checkpoint of the armed formations south of the area, the Mission saw five members of the armed formations (wearing an armband with “JCCC” written on it). The SMM again saw the seven previously observed containers located south of the area’s southern edge and inside the disengagement area. It also observed that the previously reported road barriers across road T-1316, on the area’s southern edge, continued to be closed.

On 6 February, inside the **disengagement area near Petrivske** (non-government-controlled, 41km south of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted a person in a former position of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, about 1.5km east-north-east of the area’s south-western corner.

On 7 February, while positioned at three locations near the disengagement area, the Mission 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, in non-government-controlled areas of Luhansk and Donetsk regions, the Mission saw 16 howitzers and one anti-tank gun, including in a training area near Ternove (57km east of Donetsk) and at an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk).

Beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites, the SMM saw 12 howitzers in a compound near government-controlled Khibodarivka (65km south-west of Donetsk). It also saw 23 tanks, 24 howitzers, and four towed howitzers/anti-tank guns in training areas in non-government-controlled areas near Shymshynivka (27km south-west of Luhansk), Myrne (28km south-west of Luhansk) and Kruhlyk (31km south-west of Luhansk), as well as two mortars and two tanks at the aforementioned airfield. (For further information, see the tables below.)

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

The Mission saw nine armoured combat vehicles in government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (For further information, see the table below.)

Mine hazard signs near Kolosnykove, Donetsk region

On the north-eastern edge of Kolosnykove (non-government-controlled, 20km east of Donetsk), the SMM observed six mine hazard signs fixed on a wire fence (red triangles with “Mines” written on them in Russian, not previously reported) surrounding a probable compound used by the armed formations

Presence of anti-tank mines near Sakhanka, Donetsk region

On 5 February, about 2.5km south-south-west of Sakhanka (non-government-controlled, 97km south of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted five previously observed anti-tank mines laid across road M-14, assessed as belonging to the armed formations. (For previous observations in the area, see [SMM Daily Report of 27 November 2021](#).)

SMM facilitation of the operation of critical civilian infrastructure

The Mission continued to facilitate the operation of the Donetsk Filtration Station (15km north of Donetsk).

Situation at entry-exit checkpoints and corresponding checkpoints

In Donetsk region, the SMM observed that the entry-exit checkpoint (EECP) near Novotroitske (government-controlled, 36km south-west of Donetsk) and that the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations near Olenivka (non-government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk) were open, with people queuing to travel in both directions.

In Luhansk region, the SMM noted that the EECP near Stanytsia Luhanska was open, with people queueing to travel in both directions.

The Mission noted that the EECPs near Zolote and Shchastia (government-controlled, 20km north of Luhansk) were open, but that the corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations south of the disengagement area near Zolote and 3km south-east of the bridge in Shchastia were closed.

The SMM monitored a crossing point on the border with the Russian Federation in Kharkiv region

While at a border crossing point in Hoptivka (33km north of Kharkiv), Kharkiv region, the Mission saw that it was open with traffic entering and exiting Ukraine, and observed no change in the security situation.

The SMM continued monitoring in Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Dnipro, Chernivtsi and Kyiv and observed no change in the security situation.

***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 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 [SMM Daily Report of 2 February 2022](#)). 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.

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.

Delays:

- At a checkpoint near Horlivka (non-government-controlled, 39km north-east of Donetsk), an armed member of the armed formations allowed the Mission to travel across the contact line towards non-government-controlled areas only after 18 minutes.

Other impediments:⁶

- SMM mini-UAVs experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, during ten flights: twice each near non-government-controlled Smile (31km north-west of Luhansk) and Novohryhorivka (33km west of Luhansk), and once each near government-controlled Vodiane (94km south of Donetsk), Pyshevyk (84km south of Donetsk) and Panteleimonivka (34km north of Donetsk), and near non-government-controlled Novyi (54km west of Luhansk), as well as during two flights over the northern edge of the disengagement near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk) (see above).

⁶ For cases of probable jamming and jamming mentioned in this section, the interference 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				
5/2/2022	1	Towed howitzer (2A65 <i>Msta-B</i> , 152mm)	At an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk)	Long-range UAV
	1	Towed howitzer (D-30A <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm)		
	1	Towed anti-tank gun (MT-12 <i>Rapira</i> , 100mm)		
	1	Towed howitzer (D-20, 152mm)		
	2	Self-propelled howitzer (2S1 <i>Gvozdika</i> , 122mm)	Near Bile (22km west of Luhansk)	
	4	Towed howitzer (probable D-30A <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm)		
6/2/2022	4	Towed howitzer (2A36 <i>Giatsint-B</i> , 152mm)	Near Irmino (54km west of Luhansk)	Mini-UAV
7/2/2022	3	Self-propelled howitzer (2S1 <i>Gvozdika</i> , 122mm)	In a training area near Ternove (57km east of Donetsk)	Patrol

Weapons beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites

Date	No. of weapons	Type of weapon	Location	Source of observation
Government-controlled areas				
5/2/2022	12	Self-propelled howitzer (2S3 <i>Akatsiya</i> , 152mm), (of which five probable)	At a compound near Khibodarivka (65km south-west of Donetsk)	Mini-UAV
Non-government-controlled areas				
5/2/2022	8	Tank (type undetermined)	In a training area near Shymshynivka (27km south-west of Luhansk), where imagery also revealed the presence of 18 armoured personnel carriers. ⁷	Long-range UAV
	8	Self-propelled howitzer (2S1 <i>Gvozdika</i> , 122mm)	In a training area near Myrne (28km south-west of Luhansk), where imagery also revealed the presence of 14 infantry fighting vehicles.	
	5	Tank (type undetermined)		
	9	Towed howitzer (D-30A <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm)		
	4	Towed howitzer/anti-tank gun (type undetermined)		
	7	Self-propelled howitzer (2S3 <i>Akatsiya</i> , 152mm)	In a training area near Kruhlyk (31km south-west of Luhansk)	
	10	Tank (type undetermined)	At an airfield near Peremozhne (19km south of Luhansk)	
	1	Towed mortar (2B9 <i>Vasilek</i> , 82mm)		
	1	Mortar (2B14 <i>Podnos</i> , 82mm)		
2	Tank (one T-72 and one T-64)			

Table of military and military-type presence in the security zone⁸

Date	No.	Type	Location	Source of observation
Government-controlled areas				
5/2/2022	1	Probable armoured combat vehicle (type undetermined)	Near Krymske (42km north-west of Luhansk)	Long-range UAV
	1	Probable armoured personnel carrier (MT-LB)	Near Shyrokyne (100km south of Donetsk)	
6/2/2022	5	Infantry fighting vehicle (BMP-variant)	Near Bohdanivka (41km south-west of Donetsk)	Mini-UAV
	1	Armoured personnel carrier (MT-LB)		
	1	Armoured combat vehicle (type undetermined)		

⁷ The armoured combat vehicles mentioned in this table are not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

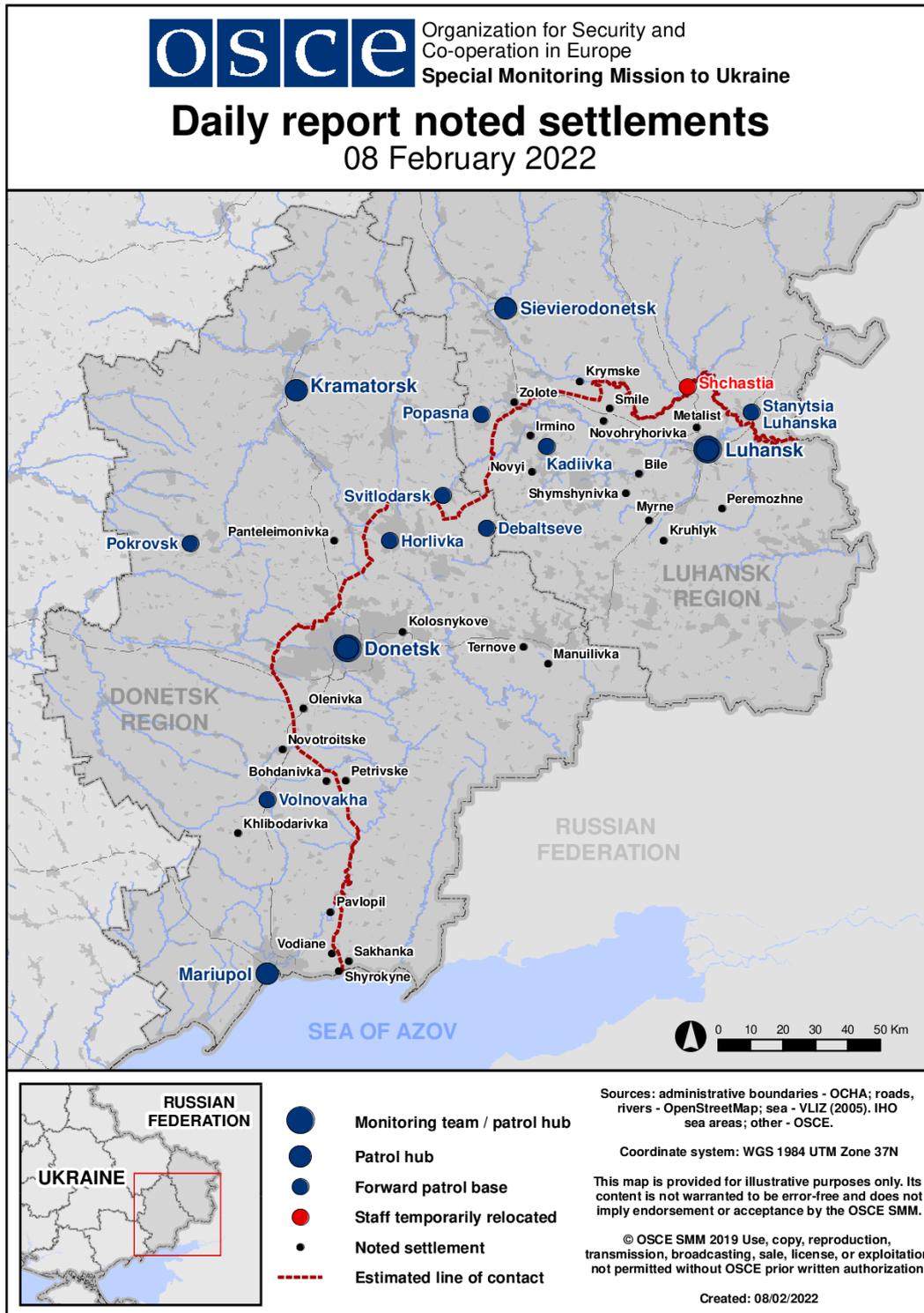
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Table of ceasefire violations as of 7 February 2022⁹

SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
SMM camera 1.5km NE of Hnutove (government-controlled, 90km S of Donetsk)	3-5km SE	Recorded	2	Projectile	SSW to NNE	N/K	7-Feb, 02:39
	4-6km SE	Recorded	2	Projectile	NNW to SSE	N/K	7-Feb, 18:22
SMM camera at Oktiabr mine (non-government-controlled, 9km NW of Donetsk city centre)	0.5-1.5km W	Recorded	1	Projectile	NNE to SSW	N/K	6-Feb, 22:50
SMM camera 1km SW of Shyrokyne (government-controlled, 100km S of Donetsk)	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Projectile	W to E	N/K	6-Feb, 19:16
	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	6-Feb, 19:30
	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	6-Feb, 19:36
	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Projectile	E to W (subsequent to the previous event)	N/K	6-Feb, 19:36
	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Airburst (subsequent to the previous event)	N/K	6-Feb, 19:36
	3-5km N	Recorded	1	Projectile	E to W	N/K	6-Feb, 19:36
	5-7km N	Recorded	1	Projectile	S to N	N/K	6-Feb, 21:17
	4-6km N	Recorded	11	Projectile	W to E	N/K	6-Feb, 21:18
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	6-Feb, 23:19
	4-6km N	Recorded	3	Projectile	W to E	N/K	6-Feb, 23:33
	4-6km N	Recorded	1	Projectile	W to E	N/K	6-Feb, 23:36
	4-6km N	Recorded	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 01:15
SMM camera in Svitlodarsk (government-controlled, 57km NE of Donetsk)	3-5km W	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 18:13
SE edge of Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km N of Donetsk)	4-6km SSE	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 09:10
About 4km WNW of Manuilivka (non-government-controlled, 65km E of Donetsk)	3-5km SW	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 11:52-11:55
	2km WSW	Heard	30	Burst			7-Feb, 11:52-11:55
	3-5km SW	Heard	12	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 12:20-12:22
Metalist (non-government-controlled, 7km NW of Luhansk)	4-6km W	Heard	18	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	7-Feb, 09:18-09:23
Zolote4/Rodina (government-controlled, 62km W of Luhansk)	2-5km S	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside of the disengagement area near Zolote))	N/K	7-Feb, 11:55-12:00
	2-5km S	Heard	3	Shot	Assessed as outside of the disengagement area near Zolote	HMG	7-Feb, 11:55-12:00
Popasna (government-controlled, 69km W of Luhansk)	3-3.5km ESE	Heard	2	Shot	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote	Small arms	7-Feb, 13:07-13:10

⁹ 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.

Map of Donetsk and Luhansk regions¹⁰



¹⁰ 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).