The SMM Chief Monitor Ambassador Ertugrul Apakan visited Lviv on 18-19 December. During the trip he met with the Mayor of Lviv, the Deputy Head of the Lviv Regional State Administration and with leaders of the Crimean Tatar community. He also took part in a lecture and in a roundtable discussion with representatives of civil society groups and intellectuals at the Ukrainian Catholic University.

The SMM continues to expand with 21 monitors deployed to Luhansk and Donetsk regions on 11 December and a further 23 monitors on 26 December.

The total number of Seconded Monitors is 354 with 217 Monitors in Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

The SMM Deputy Chief Monitor Alexander Hug is to visit Donetsk on 13-14 January. Detailed information about press opportunities will be announced on SMM’s Facebook and Twitter pages.

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Example of an image from SMM’s Unarmed/unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV). Shelling of checkpoint near Mariupol, December 2014.

**Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, Deputy Chief Monitor, advisors, analysts, spokesperson etc.**

**National staff includes assistants, advisors and other administrative personnel.**