

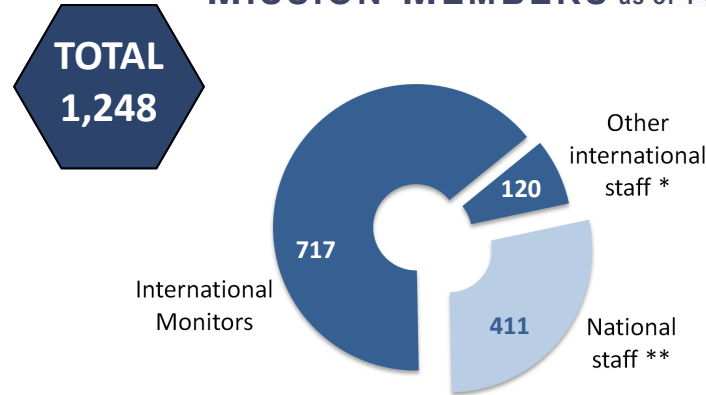


An OSCE SMM monitoring officer engaging with civilians in eastern Ukraine.
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FACTS MATTER

- Between 17 and 30 September, the SMM recorded almost 9,000 ceasefire violations, compared with over 10,000 in the previous two weeks. The violence continues despite three attempts to cease fire through seasonal recommitments since the beginning of the year. The last recommitment took place on 29 August.
- The SMM continued to observe weapons in violation of the agreed withdrawal lines (78 over the two-week period (42 in areas not controlled by the Government)).
- Since the beginning of the year, the SMM has corroborated 200 civilian casualties (37 deaths and 163 injuries), including 28 children. On 30 September, three children were killed and two were injured in two separate incidents near Horlivka and Staromykhailivka.
- The Mission facilitated and monitored adherence to the ceasefire to enable repairs and maintenance to critical civilian infrastructure on both sides of the contact line. Of note, it mounted over 40 patrols to oversee 'windows of silence' near Artema and Yasynuvata to ensure continued water supply to more than 1.3 million people.
- In his address to the OSCE Permanent Council in Vienna on 27 September, OSCE SMM Chief Monitor Ertugrul Apakan stressed the need for political will to translate commitments already made into concrete action and to find more long-lasting solutions.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 1 OCTOBER 2018



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

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	5	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	23
Austria	10	Latvia	7
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	6	Moldova	35
Belgium	1	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	43	Netherlands	4
Bulgaria	36	Norway	11
Canada	26	Poland	36
Croatia	10	Portugal	2
Czech Republic	14	Romania	27
Denmark	6	Russian Federation	39
Estonia	3	Serbia	12
Finland	21	Slovakia	12
France	16	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	27	Spain	14
Georgia	18	Sweden	9
Germany	21	Switzerland	7
Greece	21	Tajikistan	8
Hungary	23	Turkey	8
Ireland	7	United Kingdom	58
Italy	20	United States	59
		TOTAL	717
Male	596	Female	121

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Over 700 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 600 based in the east;
- From 44 OSCE participating States.

What we do

- Report the facts as we observe and establish them;
- Gather information and report on the security situation;
- Report on the humanitarian situation and people's needs, and facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid of other organizations;
- Help to establish dialogue and local ceasefires.

Important to understand:

- It is up to the sides to stop the fighting;
- We do not conduct investigations, but report on facts;
- We do not deliver but facilitate the delivery of humanitarian aid.