

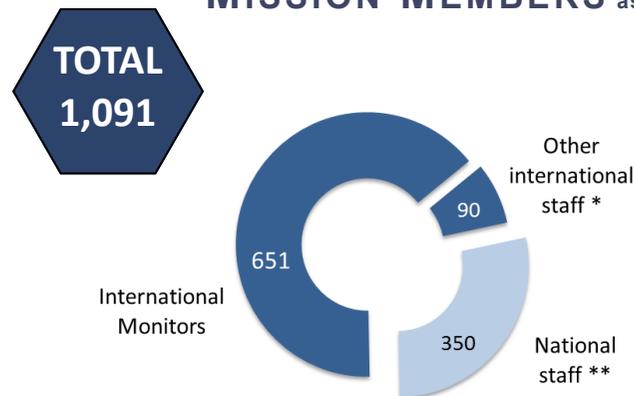


SMM monitors launching a UAV which located an extensive leakage at South Donbas water pipeline, 23 June 2017 (OSCE/Mariia Alekseyevych)

## LATEST NEWS

- Despite a decrease in ceasefire violations during the period from 13 to 26 June, the security situation in eastern Ukraine remained volatile. The SMM recorded about 1,000 ceasefire violations over the weekend of 24/25 June. The violence resulted in a high number of civilian casualties, with five people killed and six injured during the reporting period. This brings the total number of civilian casualties confirmed by the SMM in 2017 to 285, including 52 fatalities.
- The safety and security of SMM monitors was interfered with on two occasions. On 20 June, as monitors were patrolling close to the so-called "DPR"-controlled Yasnyuvata railway station, an armed man pointed an assault rifle at them, then tried to smash the windows of their vehicle and subsequently fired shots at the vehicle as it departed from the scene (see: [www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/324391](http://www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/324391)). On 23 June, in government-controlled Zolote, bullets, mortars and grenades were fired approximately 100m from SMM patrol members, with some bullets flying close overhead (see: [www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/325376](http://www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/325376)).
- The SMM continued to note long queues of civilians waiting long hours to travel in both directions on the Stanysia Luhanska bridge. On 21 June, SMM monitors observed additional damage to the bridge, with people falling as a result.
- The SMM observed water shortages in several settlements affected by damage to a water pumping station near Vasylivka, as well as shortage of gas supply in Avdiivka and Pikuzy. On 23 June, an SMM unmanned aerial vehicle located an extensive leakage on the South Donbas water pipeline, putting at risk water supply for 1.5 million people on both sides of the contact line.
- On 24 June, the SMM opened a new forward patrol base in Popasna, Luhansk region, allowing for sustained monitoring in the area.
- SMM daily reports are available in three languages (English, Russian and Ukrainian) on the OSCE website: [osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports](http://osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports).

## MISSION MEMBERS as of 28 JUNE 2017



\* 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	1	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	16
Austria	13	Latvia	3
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	9	Moldova	23
Belgium	4	Montenegro	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	33	Netherlands	2
Bulgaria	30	Norway	19
Canada	14	Poland	33
Croatia	10	Portugal	3
Czech Republic	15	Romania	28
Denmark	3	Russian Federation	36
Estonia	7	Serbia	8
Finland	27	Slovakia	10
France	12	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	20	Spain	11
Georgia	7	Sweden	12
Germany	23	Switzerland	10
Greece	20	Tajikistan	6
Hungary	24	Turkey	10
Ireland	9	United Kingdom	49
Italy	18	United States	62
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>651</b>
Male	559	Female	92

## SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

### Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Over 650 monitors across Ukraine;
- Almost 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.