



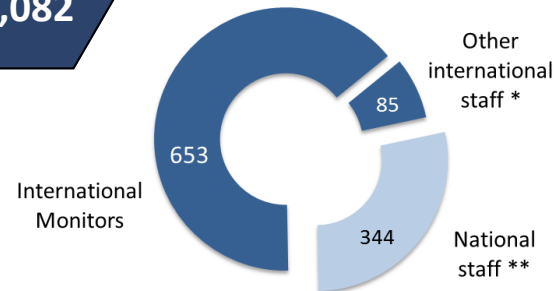
SMM hosts 27 Ambassadors to the OSCE in Kyiv, 29 May 2017 (OSCE/Mariia Alekseyevych)

LATEST NEWS

- Following a 40% reduction in the level of violence from 15 to 21 May, the SMM observed a worsening of the security situation with a 45% increase in ceasefire violations recorded over the period from 22 to 28 May.
- The SMM monitors continue to face threats while implementing their duties. For example, on 17 May, a smoke-generating device was thrown from a military-type truck close to an SMM vehicle near so-called “DPR”-controlled Dokuchaievsk. No SMM personnel were injured or assets damaged. See: www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/317891
- Civilians continue to suffer as armed men, soldiers and military hardware are regularly observed in residential areas and in proximity to civilian infrastructure. Even with decreased violence levels from 15 to 21 May, the SMM confirmed six civilian casualties, one of whom was killed. On 22-28 May, the SMM confirmed nine civilian casualties, all injured by shelling. This raises the civilian casualty figures confirmed by the SMM to 233, including 44 fatalities since the beginning of 2017.
- On 28-31 May, the SMM hosted 27 Ambassadors to the OSCE. They visited Ukraine to reaffirm their support to resolving the crisis in and around the country, and travelled to Kyiv, Kramatorsk and Kharkiv where they voiced support for the SMM and assessed the effects of the conflict on the ground and its impact on the humanitarian situation.
- SMM daily reports are available in three languages (English, Russian and Ukrainian) on the OSCE website: osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

TOTAL
1,082

MISSION MEMBERS as of 31 MAY 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.

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.

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	1	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	16
Austria	13	Latvia	2
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	9	Moldova	23
Belgium	4	Montenegro	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	34	Netherlands	2
Bulgaria	30	Norway	20
Canada	12	Poland	34
Croatia	10	Portugal	3
Czech Republic	15	Romania	28
Denmark	3	Russian Federation	37
Estonia	7	Serbia	8
Finland	25	Slovakia	10
France	12	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	21	Spain	11
Georgia	7	Sweden	14
Germany	23	Switzerland	10
Greece	20	Tajikistan	6
Hungary	25	Turkey	10
Ireland	10	United Kingdom	49
Italy	17	United States	61
		TOTAL	653
Male	557	Female	96