



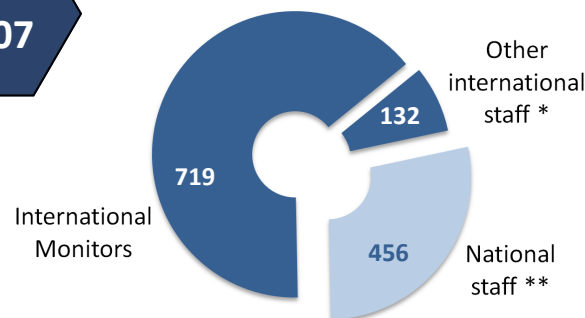
An SMM patrol on the road in Donetsk region (OSCE/Monika Olszewska)

## FACTS MATTER

- Between 11 and 24 January 2021, the Special Monitoring Mission (SMM) recorded 966 ceasefire violations, compared with 986 in the previous two-week period. On 23 January, the Mission noted a peak of ceasefire violations – 358 – mostly near the disengagement area near Petrivske – the highest number recorded on a single day since the additional measures took effect on 27 July 2020.
- The SMM continued to monitor the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske, and observed people in the latter two areas during the daytime. While outside the area near Zolote, the Mission heard small-arms fire, assessed as targeting an SMM unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV).
- During the two-week reporting period, the SMM corroborated two civilian casualties – the case of a woman killed by the detonation of an explosive device in September 2020 in Makiivka, Donetsk region and a man injured due to an explosion of an unknown object near Brianka, Luhansk region in May 2020.
- The Mission continued to facilitate and monitor adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs to and maintenance and operation of critical civilian infrastructure, including to water infrastructure near Pivdenne and Slovianoserbsk, providing water to around 150,000 civilians on both sides of the contact line.
- The Mission continued seeing anti-tank mines on both sides of the contact line, some for the first time, including 15 mines, part of a larger minefield, in areas near Krasnohorivka, and eight mines laid across a road on the outskirts of Donetsk city's Petrovskiyi district.
- The SMM continued to observe civilians facing challenges when crossing, or attempting to cross, the contact line in both directions. It again noted that the only crossing points civilians were able to use continued to be Stanytsia Luhanska (operational daily) and Novotroitske/Olenivka (checkpoint of the armed formations near Olenivka, operational only on Monday and Friday).
- The Mission's freedom of movement on the ground was restricted 14 times, all in non-government-controlled areas. SMM UAVs were targeted five times by small-arms fire in non-government-controlled areas and twice in government-controlled areas and experienced signal interference assessed as caused by probable jamming on 23 occasions while flying on both sides of the contact line.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports).

TOTAL  
1,307

## MISSION MEMBERS as of 25 January 2021



\* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, two Deputy Chief Monitors, advisors, analysts, etc.

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

## MISSION MONITORS

Albania	7	Kyrgyzstan	22
Armenia	2	Latvia	4
Austria	7	Lithuania	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	40
Belarus	5	Mongolia	1
Belgium	3	Montenegro	4
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	Netherlands	3
Bulgaria	44	North Macedonia	24
Canada	30	Norway	8
Croatia	10	Poland	32
Czech Republic	11	Romania	35
Denmark	4	Russian Federation	39
Estonia	3	Serbia	16
Finland	19	Slovakia	14
France	12	Slovenia	1
Georgia	21	Spain	10
Germany	28	Sweden	12
Greece	20	Switzerland	3
Hungary	17	Tajikistan	13
Ireland	8	Turkey	10
Italy	15	United Kingdom	42
Kazakhstan	4	United States	61
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>719</b>
Male	581	Female	138

## SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

### Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 700 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 550 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.