



OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, Austrian Foreign Minister Sebastian Kurz (r) together with OSCE SMM Chief Monitor Ambassador Ertugrul Apakan (c) visiting Mariupol area, 2 January 2017. (OSCE/Iryna Gudyma)

LATEST NEWS

- The OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine continued to monitor the security situation throughout the country. It observed that while the number of ceasefire violations increased between 19 and 25 December 2016, this was followed by a decrease in the subsequent two weeks.
- Between 19 December 2016 and 8 January 2017 approximately half of all ceasefire violations occurred in areas south-east and east of Svitlodarsk. The remaining ceasefire violations largely took place in four other hotspots: areas east and north-east of Mariupol; the western and northern outskirts of Horlivka; the Avdiivka-Yasynuvata-Donetsk airport triangle; and areas of western Luhansk region.
- The SMM continued to observe weapons missing from storage sites as well as the presence and use of proscribed weapons in violation of withdrawal lines.
- On 5 January 2017 the SMM Chief Monitor, Ambassador Ertugrul Apakan, accompanied the new OSCE Chairperson-in-Office, Austrian Foreign Minister Sebastian Kurz, and Ukraine's Foreign Minister Pavlo Klimkin, on a visit to Donetsk region. See: <http://bit.ly/2joMnIS>
- SMM daily reports are available in three languages (English, Russian and Ukrainian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 11 JANUARY 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;
- Almost 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.

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	1	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	2	Kyrgyzstan	15
Austria	17	Latvia	6
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	8	Moldova	23
Belgium	4	Montenegro	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	32	Netherlands	3
Bulgaria	30	Norway	17
Canada	15	Poland	34
Croatia	11	Portugal	3
Czech Republic	15	Romania	34
Denmark	12	Russian Federation	38
Estonia	7	Serbia	8
Finland	25	Slovakia	10
France	13	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	21	Spain	11
Georgia	7	Sweden	18
Germany	30	Switzerland	11
Greece	19	Tajikistan	4
Hungary	27	Turkey	11
Ireland	10	United Kingdom	41
Italy	20	United States	65
		TOTAL	688
Male	584	Female	104