



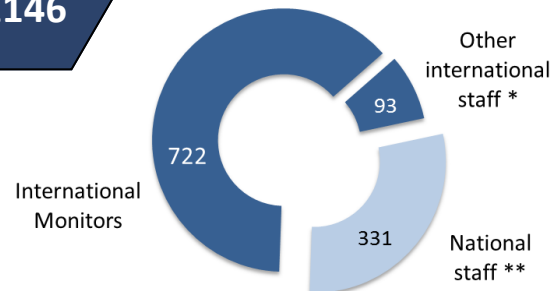
OSCE monitors at the Donetsk filtration station facilitate and monitor adherence to ceasefire to enable repair works at power lines, 4 February 2017 (OSCE/Nadiia Kaidanovych)

LATEST NEWS

- The SMM observed a serious deterioration in the security situation in the Avdiivka-Yasnuvata-Donetsk airport triangle. On 31 January, it recorded the highest number of ceasefire violations since the beginning of the crisis in 2014. See: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/296961. Through the active involvement of the SMM and the Joint Centre for Control and Co-ordination (JCCC) on the ground, violence levels dropped considerably towards the end of the same week.
- The SMM noted the negative impact the upsurge in violence has had on the civilian population and, in particular, on critical infrastructure and residential areas, which were increasingly caught up in the violence. The number of casualties among civilians inevitably rose, with the SMM confirming 25 cases, including seven fatalities, from 29 January to 5 February. See: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/297606.
- In his statements, the SMM Chief Monitor Ambassador Ertugrul Apakan condemned the indiscriminate use of violence costing lives of the local population and damage to civilian infrastructure. He called upon the sides to immediately cease fire and withdraw weapons in compliance with the agreements reached in Minsk as well as to respect humanitarian law a protect civilians and infrastructure. See: bit.ly/2iSZtmj, bit.ly/2kzxuHu, bit.ly/2leChLo.
- On 5 February, after five days of negotiations by the SMM and sustained monitoring on both sides of the contact line in and around the Donetsk water filtration station, repair crews repaired power lines damaged in shelling. The electricity supply to Avdiivka and the Donetsk water filtration station was restored after a week-long blackout.
- On 3 February, in “LPR”-controlled Kalynove, an armed man pointed a gun in the direction of an SMM team. Shortly after, the monitors heard a gunshot and left the area. See: www.osce.org/node/297611.
- 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 8 FEBRUARY 2017

TOTAL
1146



* 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	2	Kyrgyzstan	16
Austria	16	Latvia	5
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	9	Moldova	25
Belgium	5	Montenegro	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	34	Netherlands	5
Bulgaria	33	Norway	20
Canada	16	Poland	35
Croatia	11	Portugal	3
Czech Republic	17	Romania	35
Denmark	12	Russian Federation	38
Estonia	7	Serbia	8
Finland	25	Slovakia	10
France	13	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	21	Spain	12
Georgia	7	Sweden	21
Germany	28	Switzerland	11
Greece	22	Tajikistan	6
Hungary	27	Turkey	11
Ireland	10	United Kingdom	48
Italy	21	United States	66
		TOTAL	722
Male	615	Female	107

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.