

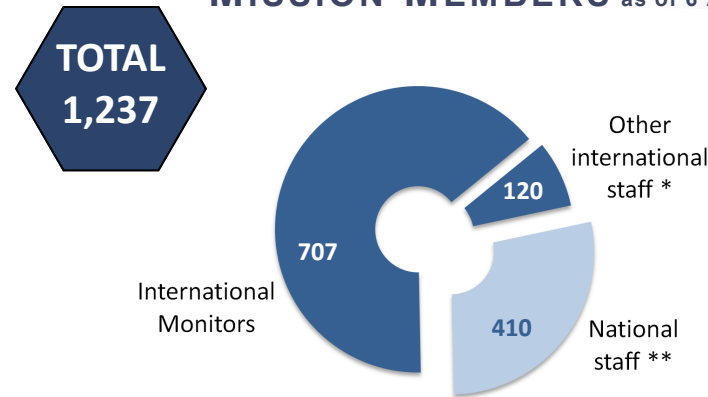


OSCE Secretary General Thomas Greminger (r) and Ambassador Ertuğrul Apakan, Chief Monitor of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, 26 July 2018. OSCE/Evgeniy Maloletka

FACTS MATTER

- On 26-27 July, OSCE Secretary General Thomas Greminger travelled to eastern Ukraine, where he met government officials and saw first-hand the everyday work of the SMM teams in the field.
- Between 23 July and 5 August, the SMM noted a deterioration of the security situation in eastern Ukraine. The number of ceasefire violations on 30 July exceeded the daily average for the week immediately preceding the 1 July recommitment to the ceasefire.
- The SMM continued to observe weapons in violation of agreed withdrawal lines (141 over the two-week period (118 in areas not controlled by the Government)) as well as the close proximity of Armed Forces and armed formations, and the ongoing presence of mines and unexploded ordnance.
- By 5 August, the Mission confirmed that 31 civilians had been killed since the start of the year and another 137 had been injured.
- In addition to threats posed by mines and unexploded ordnance – which the sides are obliged to remove – the Mission continued to face restrictions on its movement, in particular in areas not controlled by the Government in southern Donetsk region and along the Ukraine-Russian Federation border in Luhansk region.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 6 AUGUST 2018



* 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	5	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	22
Austria	10	Latvia	7
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	5	Moldova	31
Belgium	1	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	44	Netherlands	4
Bulgaria	36	Norway	11
Canada	28	Poland	35
Croatia	9	Portugal	3
Czech Republic	14	Romania	27
Denmark	8	Russian Federation	37
Estonia	3	Serbia	11
Finland	19	Slovakia	13
France	14	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	26	Spain	14
Georgia	16	Sweden	9
Germany	21	Switzerland	7
Greece	22	Tajikistan	8
Hungary	23	Turkey	8
Ireland	7	United Kingdom	59
Italy	20	United States	58
		TOTAL	707
Male	591	Female	116

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Over 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.