



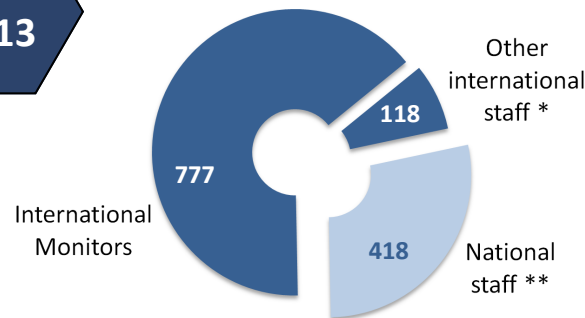
SMM monitoring officers monitoring repairs to water pipelines in eastern Ukraine (Photo credit: OSCE)

FACTS MATTER

- Between 26 November and 9 December, the SMM confirmed that two civilians were injured. This brings the total number of civilian casualties since 1 January 2018 to 222 (43 deaths and 179 injuries).
- The SMM recorded over 20,000 ceasefire violations (as compared with over 11,900 in the previous two-week period) and 160 weapons in violation of the agreed withdrawal lines (135 in areas not controlled by the Government).
- The Mission deployed 136 patrols, facilitating and monitoring 48 localized “windows of silence” to allow for the repair and maintenance of 11 civilian infrastructure facilities. This included maintenance work at the Petrivske Pumping Station, providing potable water to approximately 150,000 civilians in non-government-controlled areas of Luhansk region, and repairs to the Krasnohorivka Gas Distribution Station, providing gas to some 20,000 people in the government-controlled towns of Marinka and Krasnohorivka in Donetsk region.
- In a thematic report released by the Mission on 6 December (SMM facilitation and monitoring of infrastructure repair in eastern Ukraine: January 2017-August 2018, www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/405473), SMM efforts at minimizing some effects of the conflict on the civilian population were outlined. In particular, the report noted that 3,400 patrols had been mounted in the period, allowing for repairs and maintenance to over 150 facilities, supporting over 4 million beneficiaries dependent on water, electricity, gas and telecommunications.
- Following the incident at sea near the Kerch Strait, the Mission received information that operations at Mariupol Commercial Sea Port have been adversely affected, with restricted access through the Strait. This led to reduced cargo volume, compared with April 2018, and financial loss. The Mission noted that a calm situation generally prevailed in government-controlled areas where martial law had been declared immediately after the incident at sea.
- 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 10 DECEMBER 2018

TOTAL
1,313



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

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	6	Kazakhstan	4
Armenia	1	Kyrgyzstan	23
Austria	10	Latvia	8
Azerbaijan	1	Lithuania	2
Belarus	8	Moldova	36
Belgium	1	Montenegro	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	47	Netherlands	4
Bulgaria	40	Norway	13
Canada	27	Poland	36
Croatia	10	Portugal	2
Czech Republic	15	Romania	29
Denmark	7	Russian Federation	37
Estonia	3	Serbia	11
Finland	21	Slovakia	12
France	17	Slovenia	1
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	28	Spain	14
Georgia	22	Sweden	27
Germany	29	Switzerland	7
Greece	22	Tajikistan	11
Hungary	23	Turkey	10
Ireland	8	United Kingdom	59
Italy	22	United States	60
		TOTAL	777
Male	622	Female	155

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 800 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.