As of 9 December 2019

**STATUS**

The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine/440504 - www.osce.org/smm/reports

**FACTS MATTER**

- Between 25 November and 8 December, the SMM recorded about 8,900 ceasefire violations, including about 1,600 explosions that were mostly concentrated in four hotspots in Donetsk region. This compares with 12,900 ceasefire violations, including about 3,300 explosions, in the previous two-week period.
- The SMM continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three disengagement areas – Petrivske, Stanytsia Luhanska and Zolote – and noted in particular demining activities in the Petrivske disengagement area.
- The SMM recorded 13 weapons in violation of their respective withdrawal lines, compared to 35 in the previous two-week period. The Mission continued to observe military and military-type presence, including in and near residential areas.
- The SMM continued to observe presence of anti-tank mines, unexploded ordnance (UXO) and other explosive objects, many in areas where civilians cross the contact line, including an explosive remnant of war near Pyschchevky. On 5 December, the Mission published a thematic report on the impact that mines, UXO and other explosive objects have on civilians in Donets and Luhans regions (www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/441170).
- The Mission confirmed one civilian casualty: a woman with a gunshot wound to her chest and an open fracture in her left arm, injuries she received when walking with her 20-month-old son on a bridge in Marinka on 25 November. The incident occurred about 1km from the contact line. Since the beginning of 2019, the SMM has confirmed 145 civilian casualties (18 killed, 127 injured).
- The SMM continued to facilitate and monitor adherence to the ceasefire to enable return of electricity to more than 6,000 civilians on both sides of the contact line.
- In the reporting period, the Mission conducted 12 visits to total border crossing points near Uspeinka, Uljanivske, Marynivka and Novoazovsk (all in non-government-controlled areas in Donetsk region).
- The Mission’s freedom of movement was restricted 25 times, all, but one, in non-government-controlled areas. In addition, SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) continued to be subjected to signal interference that occurred on 35 occasions on both sides of the contact line.
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**MISSION MEMBERS as of 9 December 2019**

- **TOTAL 1,329**
  - International Monitors
    - 766
  - National staff **
    - 438
  - Other international staff *
    - 125

* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, two Deputy Chief Monitors, advisors, analysts, etc.
** National staff includes assistants, advisors and administrative personnel.

**SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE**

**Who we are**

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 750 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 6
- Armenia 2
- Austria 9
- Azerbaijan 1
- Belarus 5
- Belgium 2
- Bosnia and Herzegovina 52
- Bulgaria 47
- Canada 27
- Croatia 11
- Czech Republic 13
- Denmark 8
- Estonia 2
- Finland 24
- France 16
- Georgia 20
- Germany 33
- Greece 21
- Hungary 20
- Ireland 9
- Italy 19
- Kazakhstan 5
- Kyrgyzstan 23
- Latvia 9
- Lithuania 1
- Moldova 41
- Montenegro 3
- Netherlands 2
- North Macedonia 27
- Norway 12
- Poland 36
- Portugal 1
- Romania 30
- Russian Federation 41
- Serbia 15
- Slovakia 11
- Slovenia 1
- Spain 12
- Sweden 17
- Switzerland 7
- Tajikistan 13
- Turkey 9
- United Kingdom 49
- United States 54
- TOTAL 766

Male 621
Female 145