



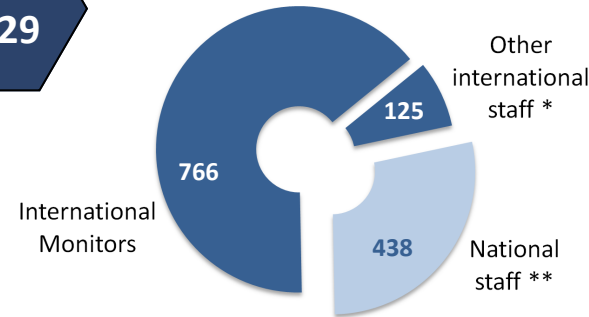
Civilians standing in line at the Novotroitske EECP, Donetsk region (OSCE/Evgeniy Maloletka)

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 Pyschchevyk. On 5 December, the Mission published a thematic report on the impact that mines, UXO and other explosive objects have on civilians in Donetsk and Luhansk 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 repairs and maintenance to critical civilian infrastructure, including repairs to power lines in non-government-controlled Spartak and government-controlled Shumy (providing electricity to more than 6,000 civilians on both sides of the contact line).
- In the reporting period, the Mission conducted 12 visits in total to border crossing points near Uspenka, Ulianiivske, Marynivka and Novoazovsk (all in non-government-controlled areas in Donetsk region).
- On 28 November the SMM published a thematic report presenting the Mission's observations on the entry-exit checkpoints (www.osce.org/special-monitoring-mission-to-ukraine/440504).
- 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.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports.

TOTAL
1,329

MISSION MEMBERS as of 9 December 2019



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

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	6	Kyrgyzstan	23
Armenia	2	Latvia	9
Austria	9	Lithuania	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	41
Belarus	5	Montenegro	3
Belgium	2	Netherlands	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	52	North Macedonia	27
Bulgaria	47	Norway	12
Canada	27	Poland	36
Croatia	11	Portugal	1
Czech Republic	13	Romania	30
Denmark	8	Russian Federation	41
Estonia	2	Serbia	15
Finland	24	Slovakia	11
France	16	Slovenia	1
Georgia	20	Spain	12
Germany	33	Sweden	17
Greece	21	Switzerland	7
Hungary	20	Tajikistan	13
Ireland	9	Turkey	9
Italy	19	United Kingdom	49
Kazakhstan	5	United States	54
		TOTAL	766
Male	621	Female	145

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.