

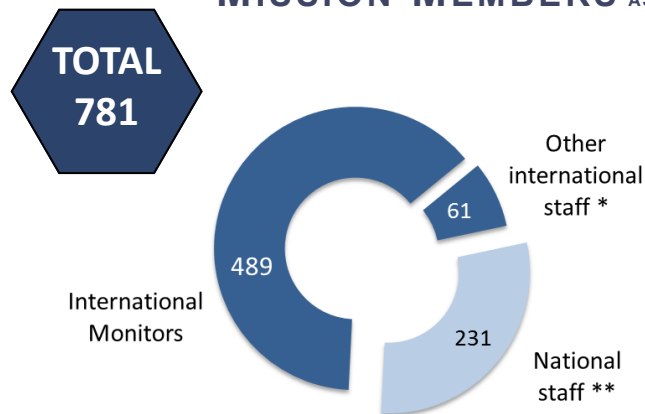


SMM monitors at the observation point on the railway station in Donetsk, June 2015.

LATEST NEWS

- In the Donetsk and Luhansk regions the overall situation along the contact line remained tense.
- The on-going fighting continues to take a substantial toll on the civilian population. Certain residential areas are regularly shelled creating daily fear for people's lives.
- On 23 June OSCE SMM Deputy Chief Monitor Alexander Hug took part in Deutsche Welle Global Media Forum in Bonn where he participated in panel "24/7 news cycle. How can international organisations adapt?"
- On 27 June the SMM verified press reports that there are no civilians remaining in Shyrokyne.
- OSCE SMM issued two thematic reports: "Freedom of movement across the administrative boundary line with Crimea" (www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/165691) and "Gender Dimensions of SMM's Monitoring: One Year of Progress" (www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/165806)
- On 13 July in Vienna for the seventh time OSCE SMM Chief Monitor Ambassador Apakan will address the OSCE Permanent Council on the situation in Ukraine and activities carried out by the SMM in responding to the crisis.
- Daily SMM reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian, Russian) on the OSCE website: www.osce.org/ukraine-smm

MISSION MEMBERS AS OF 01.07.2015



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

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

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	1	Kyrgyzstan	9
Armenia	2	Latvia	8
Austria	13	Lithuania	2
Belarus	1	Moldova	14
Bosnia and Herzegovina	12	Mongolia	1
Bulgaria	10	Montenegro	1
Canada	16	Netherlands	3
Croatia	12	Norway	9
Czech Republic	16	Poland	27
Denmark	13	Portugal	5
Estonia	7	Romania	25
Finland	25	Russian Federation	26
France	8	Serbia	6
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	9	Slovakia	6
Georgia	4	Spain	11
Germany	21	Sweden	17
Greece	10	Switzerland	8
Hungary	23	Tajikistan	1
Ireland	8	Turkey	10
Italy	20	United Kingdom	17
Kazakhstan	3	United States	49
		TOTAL	489
Male	395	Female	94

WHAT IS SMM?

- The Special Monitoring Mission of **unarmed civilian monitors** operates at the invitation of the Ukrainian Government and with consensus decision by 57 participating states of the OSCE.
- The SMM aims to **gather information and report** on the security situation, **establish and report the facts** throughout Ukraine. It's not up to the SMM to draw conclusions or conduct any investigations.
- The SMM **facilitates dialogue and access**; talks to various community groups - including but not limited to authorities at all levels, civil society, ethnic and religious groups and local communities.
- The SMM is **not a humanitarian mission** but it does monitor and report on the human rights and humanitarian situation throughout Ukraine.
- The SMM monitors are from more than 40 OSCE participating states. All SMM members operate under the principles of **impartiality and transparency**.