

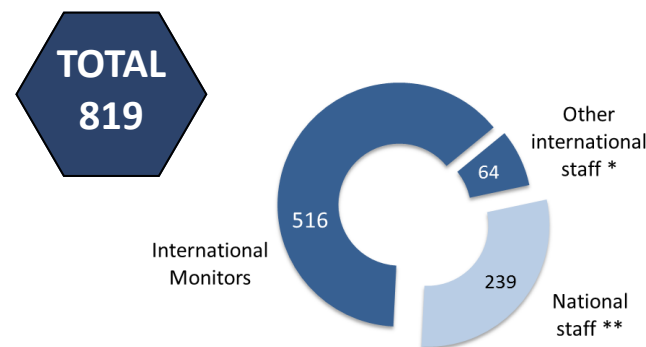


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## LATEST NEWS

- The SMM continued to facilitate repair works on a major water pipeline between Maiorsk and Horlivka.
- On 17 July OSCE SMM Chief Monitor Ertugrul Apakan led a minute of silence in honour of the victims of flight MH17, downed over Ukraine one year ago. SMM staff in Kyiv as well as monitors at the crash site in Hrabove participated.
- On 18 July the SMM observed shelling in Donetsk city centre for the first time in several months, as well as its aftermath in residential neighbourhoods.
- On 21 July the SMM observed the planned movement of military equipment by both Ukrainian Armed Forces and “Donetsk People’s Republic”.
- On 21 July in Minsk, the SMM Chief Monitor Ertugrul Apakan and Deputy Chief Monitor Alexander Hug participated in the 6th meeting of the Security Working Group under the auspices of the Trilateral Contact Group; a preliminary agreement was reached on the withdrawal of tanks and smaller calibre weapons.
- On 23-25 July Mr. Hug visited Donetsk to support the team after a protest outside the SMM location in Donetsk; and to follow-up on the shelling of Donetsk city centre of 18 July, meeting with interlocutors and media.
- Two Spot Reports issued: on 26 July: SMM patrol is caught in fire in Shchastia but comes out unharmed: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/174491](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/174491); on 27 July: SMM team caught in fire exchange in Shyrokyne, one member injured by debris: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/174716](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/174716)
- Daily SMM reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian, Russian) on the OSCE website: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm)

## MISSION MEMBERS AS OF 29.07.2015



\* 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         | 11         |
| Armenia                               | 2          | Latvia             | 8          |
| Austria                               | 14         | Lithuania          | 2          |
| Belarus                               | 2          | Moldova            | 15         |
| Belgium                               | 1          | Mongolia           | 1          |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                | 14         | Montenegro         | 1          |
| Bulgaria                              | 12         | Netherlands        | 3          |
| Canada                                | 15         | Norway             | 9          |
| Croatia                               | 13         | Poland             | 26         |
| Czech Republic                        | 16         | Portugal           | 5          |
| Denmark                               | 13         | Romania            | 30         |
| Estonia                               | 7          | Russian Federation | 26         |
| Finland                               | 26         | Serbia             | 6          |
| France                                | 10         | Slovakia           | 7          |
| former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia | 10         | Spain              | 11         |
| Georgia                               | 4          | Sweden             | 18         |
| Germany                               | 22         | Switzerland        | 8          |
| Greece                                | 11         | Tajikistan         | 1          |
| Hungary                               | 23         | Turkey             | 10         |
| Ireland                               | 10         | United Kingdom     | 18         |
| Italy                                 | 21         | United States      | 50         |
| Kazakhstan                            | 3          | <b>TOTAL</b>       | <b>516</b> |
| <b>Male</b>                           | <b>418</b> | <b>Female</b>      | <b>98</b>  |

## WHAT IS THE 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 is 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**.