STATUS



An SMM patrol near Bohdanivka, Donetsk region (OSCE/Germain Groll)

FACTS MATTER

- For the eighteenth consecutive week, the security situation remained relatively calm following additional measures to strengthen the ceasefire that took effect on 27 July. Between 16 and 29 November, the SMM recorded 341 ceasefire violations, compared with 468 in the previous two-week period.
- The Mission continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three pilot disengagement areas, recording no ceasefire violations inside any of them. Inside the area near Petrivske, on one occasion, SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) spotted people near and inside former military-type positions of the armed formations.
- The SMM corroborated reports of 13 civilian casualties, including three fatalities due to the detonation of an explosive device, assessed as accidental, on 30 October in Horlivka. Seven of the 13 casualties were due to the detonation of explosive devices. Four casualties, all injuries, occurred prior to the additional measures that took effect on 27 July. The total number of civilian casualties since the beginning of 2020 stands at 116: 21 fatalities and 95 injuries.
- The Mission continued seeing anti-tank mines on both sides of the contact line, including near roads it frequently uses. In Donetsk region, the SMM saw for the first time about 32 anti-tank mines in a field near the road between Pikuzy and Zaichenko. which it assessed as not recently laid, and again observed about 50 anti-tank mines in a field near Troitske.
- The Mission continued to facilitate and monitor adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs to and maintenance and operation of critical civilian infrastructure, including to water infrastructure near Zolote-5/Mykhailivka, Pankivka, Slovianoserbsk and Krasnyi Lyman (benefitting over 300,000 civilians), and gas infrastructure in Lobacheve (which provides gas to around 200 people).
- The Mission continued to observe civilians facing challenges when crossing, or attempting to cross the contact line in both directions. The SMM again noted that the only crossing points where civilians were able to use continued to be Stanytsia Luhanska and Novotroitske/Olenivka. In each location, limited numbers of civilians were observed travelling in both directions.
- The Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 18 times on the ground, all but three times in non-government-controlled areas. SMM UAVs experienced signal interference assessed as caused by probable jamming on 19 occasions while flying 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.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 30 November 2020



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

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 720 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 550 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

Male	587	Female	144
		TOTAL	73:
Kazakhstan	4	United States	58
Italy	15	United Kingdom	44
Ireland	8	Turkey	10
Hungary	17	Tajikistan	12
Greece	20	Switzerland	3
Germany	30	Sweden	13
Georgia	21	Spain	11
France	12	Slovenia	1
Finland	22	Slovakia	14
Estonia	3	Serbia	16
Denmark	5	Russian Federation	39
Czech Republic	11	Romania	35
Croatia	10	Poland	32
Canada	30	Norway	8
Bulgaria	45	North Macedonia	26
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	Netherlands	2
Belgium	3	Montenegro	4
Belarus	5	Mongolia	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	41
Austria	7	Lithuania	1
Armenia	2	Latvia	5
Albania	7	Kyrgyzstan	23



^{**} National staff includes assistants, advisors and administrative personnel.