

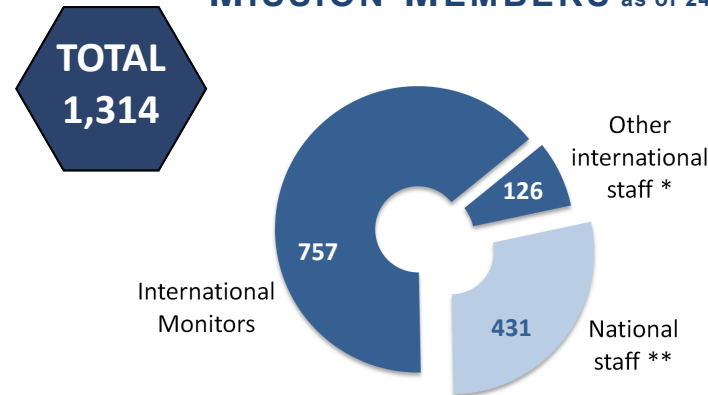


SMM monitoring officer operating a UAV in Donetsk region (OSCE/Evgeniy Maloletka)

## FACTS MATTER

- Between 10 and 23 February, the SMM recorded about 13,100 ceasefire violations, compared with about 8,500 in the previous two-week period. Most of the violence was recorded in the latter part of the reporting period, with 3,000 ceasefire violations, including 2,500 explosions, recorded on 18 February in areas around non-government-controlled Berezivske, Holubivka (formerly Kirovsk), Holubivske and Donetskyyi, and government-controlled Orikhove and Novotoshkivske, all in Luhansk region.
- The Mission continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three disengagement areas. It observed a calm situation inside the disengagement areas near Stanysia Luhanska and Zolote; it recorded ceasefire violations inside the one near Petrivske.
- The SMM recorded 67 weapons in violation of their respective withdrawal lines, compared to 27 in the previous two-week period: 17 in government-controlled areas and 50 in areas outside government control.
- The Mission confirmed reports of four civilian casualties, bringing the total number recorded since the beginning of the year to 14: one killed and 13 injured.
- The SMM facilitated and monitored adherence to localized ceasefires to enable repairs to and maintenance of critical civilian infrastructure, which provides utilities to more than 1.5 million civilians on both sides of the contact line. These included repairs to the South Donbas water pipeline between government-controlled Pervomaiske and Pisky, and repairs to damaged power lines in non-government-controlled Donetskyyi, Holubivske and Zolote-5/Mykhailivka.
- The Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 49 times (all in non-government-controlled areas, predominantly in southern Donetsk region). SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) were subjected to signal interference on both sides of the contact line on 45 occasions and were targeted by small-arms fire once in a non-government-controlled area.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports).

## MISSION MEMBERS as of 24 February 2020



\* 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	Latvia	8
Armenia	2	Lithuania	1
Austria	9	Moldova	41
Azerbaijan	1	Mongolia	1
Belarus	5	Montenegro	3
Belgium	2	Netherlands	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	North Macedonia	26
Bulgaria	46	Norway	10
Canada	27	Poland	35
Croatia	10	Portugal	1
Czech Republic	13	Romania	29
Denmark	8	Russian Federation	41
Estonia	3	Serbia	15
Finland	25	Slovakia	12
France	16	Slovenia	1
Georgia	20	Spain	12
Germany	33	Sweden	16
Greece	21	Switzerland	6
Hungary	20	Tajikistan	12
Ireland	7	Turkey	9
Italy	19	United Kingdom	48
Kazakhstan	5	United States	54
Kyrgyzstan	23	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>757</b>
Male	614	Female	143

## SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

### Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 750 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 600 based in the east;
- From 45 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.