



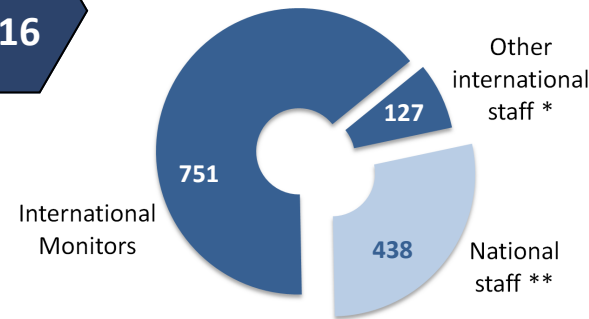
SMM monitoring officer operating a UAV (OSCE/Evgeniy Maloletka)

FACTS MATTER

- Between 9 and 22 March, the SMM recorded about 11,300 ceasefire violations, including about 5,350 explosions. This compares with about 9,100 and 3,150, respectively, in the previous two-week period.
- The Mission continued monitoring the security situation in and around the three disengagement areas. The SMM observed a calm situation inside the disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska. It recorded ceasefire violations inside the disengagement area near Petrivske, and it observed mines and unexploded ordnance inside the disengagement area near Zolote.
- Over the two-week period, the SMM recorded 85 weapons in violation of their respective withdrawal lines, compared with 92 in the previous two-week period: 34 in government-controlled areas and 51 in non-government-controlled areas.
- SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) spotted anti-tank mines on both sides of the contact line, including about 640 near Sanzharivka and Polove, and 400 near Pyshevyk.
- The Mission confirmed four civilian casualties: one fatality and three injuries, bringing the total since the beginning of the year to 25 (three killed and 22 injured).
- The Mission continued to monitor preventive measures related to the COVID-19 outbreak at entry-exit checkpoints (ECCP), observing staff wearing protective masks and gloves, and measuring the temperature of civilians passing through. It also noted members of the armed formations wearing protective glasses and masks, and screening pedestrians transiting through a number of corresponding checkpoints. Initially the SMM observed long queues at ECCPs and corresponding checkpoints. Towards the end of the reporting period, the SMM noted that passage for civilians across the contact line in both directions was largely denied.
- During the reporting period, the Mission's freedom of movement was restricted 68 times. Sixty-five instances occurred in areas not controlled by the Government, mostly in southern Donetsk region and at border crossing points in Luhansk region. A number of restrictions occurred at the contact line, along official crossing routes (see [Spot Report 2/2020](#)). SMM UAVs were subjected to signal interference on both sides of the contact line on 30 occasions, resulting in the loss of a mid-range UAV inside the Petrivske disengagement area. SMM UAVs were targeted by small-arms fire six times (twice in government-controlled areas and four times in non-government-controlled areas).
- 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
1,316

MISSION MEMBERS as of 23 March 2020



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

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

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.

MISSION MONITORS

Albania	6	Latvia	7
Armenia	2	Lithuania	1
Austria	9	Moldova	41
Azerbaijan	1	Mongolia	1
Belarus	5	Montenegro	3
Belgium	2	Netherlands	3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	53	North Macedonia	26
Bulgaria	46	Norway	9
Canada	26	Poland	34
Croatia	10	Portugal	1
Czech Republic	13	Romania	29
Denmark	8	Russian Federation	41
Estonia	3	Serbia	15
Finland	24	Slovakia	12
France	14	Slovenia	1
Georgia	20	Spain	11
Germany	34	Sweden	16
Greece	21	Switzerland	6
Hungary	19	Tajikistan	12
Ireland	7	Turkey	10
Italy	19	United Kingdom	48
Kazakhstan	5	United States	54
Kyrgyzstan	23	TOTAL	751
Male	610	Female	141