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FACTS MATTER

- Between 12 August and 25 August, the SMM recorded about 5,400 ceasefire violations, including about 1,100 explosions (compared with 2700 ceasefire violations, including over 600 explosions in the previous two-week period).
- The SMM has recorded two civilian casualties: an injury from the mine detonation on 3 July near Illienko and an injury from small-arm fire on 15 August in Zaitseve. This brings the total number of civilian casualties since 1 January 2019, to 104 (15 deaths and 89 injuries).
- The Mission observed fresh damage from the mortar fire to residential houses in Verkh-noshyrokiivske and from small-arms fire to a school in Zolote-5/Mykhailivka. For the fourth time this year, the SMM saw damage related to gunfire on buildings at a farm near government-controlled Novoluhanske.
- The Mission observed 123 weapons in violation of withdrawal lines (111 in areas not controlled by the Government), as well as mines and unexploded ordnance.
- The SMM continued to monitor the Stanytsia Luhanska disengagement area. The Mission observed activities related to the dismantling of former forward positions, as well as de-mining activities and clearing of vegetation close to the broken section of the bridge.
- The Mission's freedom of movement was restricted two times in government-controlled areas and 36 times in non-government-controlled areas, mostly in the southern part of Donetsk region.
- SMM unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) were targeted by small-arm fire on eight occasions, and subject to signal interference, assessed by jamming, on 40 occasions.
- The SMM continued facilitation of repairs and maintenance to essential civilian infrastructure, including the ongoing repairs to the Petrivske water pumping station near government-controlled Artema, which provides water to about 150,000 civilians.
- The SMM's daily reports are available in three languages (English, Ukrainian and Russian) on the OSCE website: <https://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/reports>.

MISSION MEMBERS as of 26 AUGUST 2019



* 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	Kyrgyzstan	23
Armenia	1	Latvia	8
Austria	9	Lithuania	1
Azerbaijan	1	Moldova	38
Belarus	7	Montenegro	3
Belgium	1	Netherlands	2
Bosnia and Herzegovina	48	North Macedonia	27
Bulgaria	42	Norway	10
Canada	26	Poland	33
Croatia	9	Portugal	2
Czech Republic	13	Romania	29
Denmark	9	Russian Federation	35
Estonia	2	Serbia	11
Finland	24	Slovakia	10
France	13	Spain	11
Georgia	20	Sweden	24
Germany	34	Switzerland	7
Greece	19	Tajikistan	13
Hungary	21	Turkey	11
Ireland	9	United Kingdom	53
Italy	21	United States	53
Kazakhstan	4		
		TOTAL	743
Male	596	Female	147

SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE

Who we are

- Unarmed civilian monitors;
- Around 750 monitors across Ukraine;
- Around 600 based in the east;
- From 43 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.