



The SMM monitors inspect damage to a building in eastern Ukraine, March 2015

## LATEST NEWS

- Despite claims by all sides of heavy weapons withdrawal, the SMM observed on a daily basis the presence and/or use of such weapons (e.g. main battle tanks (T-72, T-64), howitzers, anti-aircraft systems (Strela-10)).
- The SMM observed and heard continued fighting in the areas in and around “Donetsk People’s Republic” (“DPR”)-controlled Donetsk airport; the area of “DPR”-controlled Horlivka and Debaltseve and in Shyrokyne.
- In the morning of 3 June fighting erupted around the government-controlled town of Marinka (23km west-south-west of Donetsk city centre). See the Spot report here: [www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/162116](http://www.osce.org/ukraine-smm/162116)
- Meanwhile in the Luhansk region the ceasefire violations concentrated in the government-controlled towns of Stanytsia Luhanska, Nyzhnie, Shchastia.
- On 18-22 May the OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Ambassador Madina Jarbussynova, visited Kharkiv and Dnipropetrovsk.
- On 26 May the SMM confirmed the deaths of three civilians by shelling in Horlivka and saw damage consistent with an artillery strike.
- On 2 June in Minsk the SMM Deputy Chief Monitor Alexander Hug attended another round of meetings coordinating the work of the working group on security issues under the auspices of the Trilateral Contact Group .
- The SMM is restrained in fulfilling its monitoring functions by restrictions imposed by third parties and security considerations.
- 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 03.06.2015



\* Other international staff includes Chief Monitor, Deputy Chief Monitor, advisors, analysts, spokesperson etc.

### DE-ESCALATION IN SHYROKYNE

#### WHY?

- The sides stand too close against each other in the Ukrainian village Shyrokyne (20km east of Mariupol);
- Civilians are most affected and must be protected.

#### ROLE OF THE SIDES

- The sides have made proposals through the Joint Centre for Control and Coordination to de-escalate in and around Shyrokyne;
- Developing a detailed plan for de-escalation and agreeing on all of its aspects as well as its implementation are the sole responsibility of the sides.

#### THE PLAN

- De-escalation is not about gaining or losing a control over the village;
- The plan foresees creating a sufficient distance between the positions of the sides from which they will not be able to engage with each other easily;
- The sides have to agree on their defensive positions outside of Shyrokyne;
- Heavy weapons should be withdrawn in accordance with the Minsk agreements - tanks and small calibre mortars should also be pulled back.

#### SMM's ROLE

- The SMM is facilitating a dialogue between the sides and will also monitor the implementation of the plan and report on progress.

### MISSION MONITORS

Albania	3	Kyrgyzstan	8
Armenia	2	Latvia	7
Austria	13	Lithuania	2
Belarus	1	Moldova	14
Bosnia and Herzegovina	8	Montenegro	1
Bulgaria	9	Netherlands	5
Canada	15	Norway	8
Croatia	12	Poland	24
Czech Republic	16	Portugal	5
Denmark	13	Romania	23
Estonia	7	Russian Federation	24
Finland	22	Serbia	6
France	8	Slovakia	6
former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	8	Spain	10
Georgia	4	Sweden	14
Germany	19	Switzerland	9
Greece	10	Tajikistan	1
Hungary	19	Turkey	10
Ireland	8	United Kingdom	18
Italy	20	United States	50
Kazakhstan	3		
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>465</b>
Male	377	Female	88