

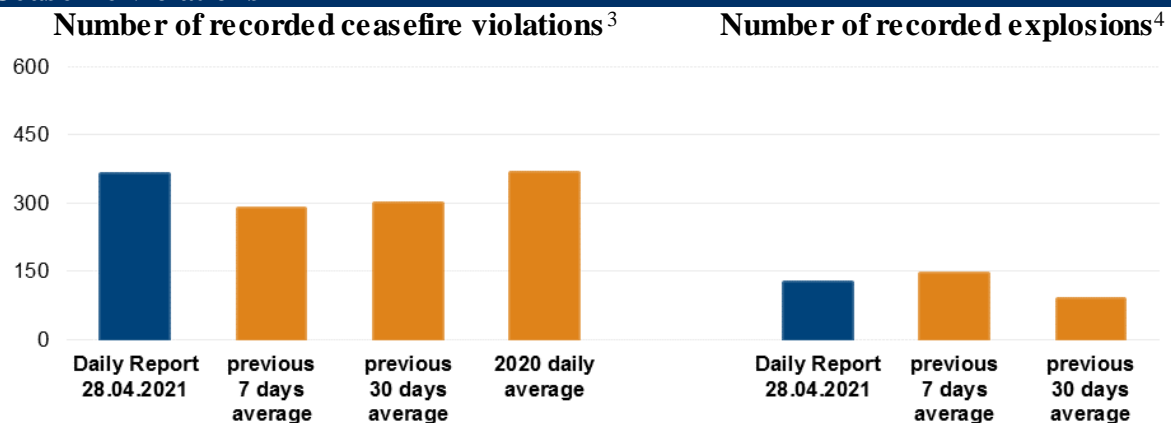
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Summary

- In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 217 ceasefire violations, including 79 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded 205 ceasefire violations in the region.
- In Luhansk region, the Mission recorded 148 ceasefire violations, including 47 explosions. In the previous reporting period, it recorded no ceasefire violations in the region.
- The SMM continued monitoring the disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske.
- The Mission facilitated and monitored adherence to localized ceasefires to enable maintenance and operation of critical civilian infrastructure.
- The SMM continued following up on the situation of civilians, including at three entry-exit checkpoints and their corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations in Luhansk region.
- The Mission visited a border crossing point outside government control in Donetsk region.
- The SMM monitored various checkpoints in south-east Kherson region.
- The Mission's freedom of movement continued to be restricted. Its mini-unmanned aerial vehicles again experienced multiple instances of GPS signal interference.*

Ceasefire violations²



¹ Based on information from the Monitoring Teams as of 19:30, 27 April 2021. All times are in Eastern European Summer Time.

² For a complete breakdown of ceasefire violations, please see the annexed table. During the reporting period, the SMM camera in Petrivske and the SMM camera system at the Oktiabr mine were not operational.

³ Including explosions.

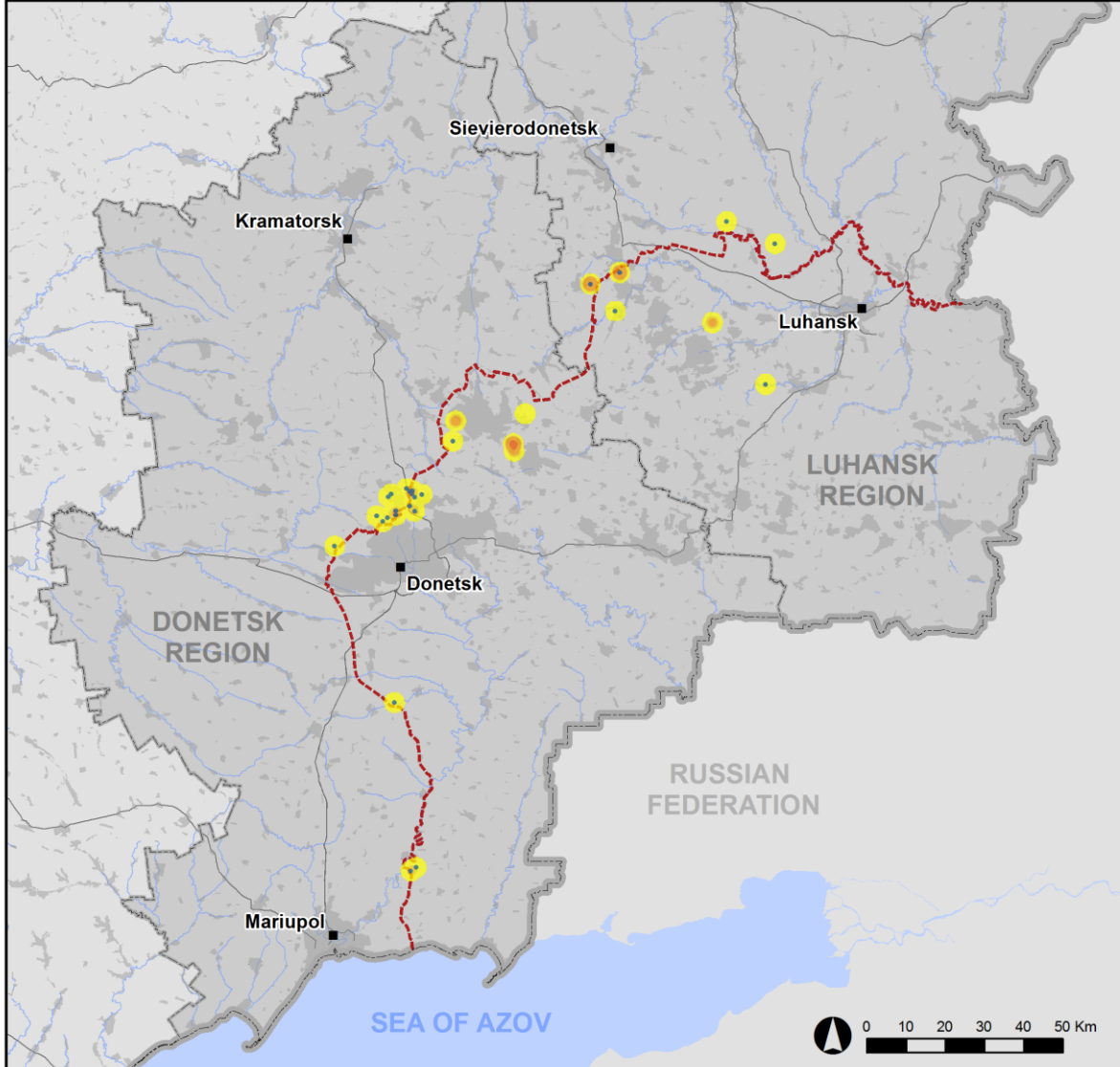
⁴ Including from unidentified weapons.

Map of recorded ceasefire violations

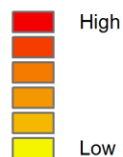


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Ceasefire violations observed by the SMM 27 April 2021



Ceasefire violation concentration



- Explosion
- Settlement
- Estimated line of contact

Sources: Administrative Boundaries - OCHA; Roads, Rivers - OpenStreetMap; Sea - VLIZ (2005). IHO Sea Areas; Other - OSCE.

Coordinate System: WGS 1984 UTM Zone 37N

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In Donetsk region, the SMM recorded 217 ceasefire violations, including 79 explosions (seven outgoing, one impact and 71 undetermined). About half of the ceasefire violations occurred at south-westerly directions of Sofiivka (formerly Karlo-Marksove, non-government-controlled, 40km north-east of Donetsk), all shots and bursts of heavy-machine-gun and small-arms fire, assessed as a probable live-fire training exercise in the security zone. The conduct of such exercises is in violation of the decision of the Trilateral Contact Group of 3 March 2016 that prohibits the conduct of live-fire training in the security zone. The majority of explosions was recorded in areas near the Donetsk Filtration Station (DFS) (15km north of Donetsk). In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded 205 ceasefire violations.

In Luhansk region, the Mission recorded 148 ceasefire violations, including 47 undetermined explosions. The majority of ceasefire violations occurred at south-easterly directions of the disengagement area near Zolote (government-controlled, 60km west of Luhansk) (see below) and Popasna (government-controlled, 69km west of Luhansk). In the [previous reporting period](#), the Mission recorded no ceasefire violations.

Following agreement reached at the meeting of the Trilateral Contact Group on 22 July 2020 regarding additional measures to strengthen the ceasefire, from 00:01 on 27 July 2020 until the end of the reporting period, the SMM has so far recorded at least 23,005 ceasefire violations in both Donetsk and Luhansk regions (including 7,539 explosions, 2,830 projectiles in flight, 195 muzzle flashes, 79 illumination flares and at least 12,362 bursts and shots).⁵

Disengagement areas near Stanytsia Luhanska, Zolote and Petrivske⁶

While positioned inside the **disengagement area near Stanytsia Luhanska** (government-controlled, 16km north-east of Luhansk), the SMM saw two members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them) south of the repaired span of the Stanytsia Luhanska bridge (15km north-east of Luhansk).

On the evening of 26 April, while positioned in Kadiivka (formerly Stakhanov, non-government-controlled, 50km west of Luhansk), the Mission heard 17 undetermined explosions and 39 bursts of undetermined weapons at an assessed range of 13-15km north-west, assessed as outside the **disengagement area near Zolote** but within 5km of its periphery.

On 27 April, while positioned near the checkpoint of the armed formations south of the disengagement area, the Mission saw eight members of the armed formations (wearing armbands with “JCCC” written on them), two of whom walked inside the area to about 350m north of its southern edge and then returned. The Mission again saw the eight previously observed containers located south of the disengagement area’s southern edge, on its edge and inside the area.

On 23 April, inside the **disengagement area near Petrivske** (non-government controlled, 41km south of Donetsk), an SMM mini-unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) spotted for the first time 20 anti-tank mines in a field near the area’s south-eastern corner (assessed as not recently laid). At two locations outside the disengagement area, about 280m north-west and 300m west-

⁵ In this paragraph in the SMM Daily Reports of [26 April 2021](#) and [27 April 2021](#), the words “including 6,290 explosions” and “including 6,413 explosions” should have read “including 7,290 explosions” and “7,413 explosions, respectively.”

⁶ Disengagement is foreseen in the Framework Decision of the Trilateral Contact Group relating to disengagement of forces and hardware of 21 September 2016.

north-west of the area's north-eastern corner, respectively, the same UAV spotted for the first time 11 mines (ten anti-tank mines and one anti-personnel mine (MON-90)) in a field and an anti-tank mine (TM-62M) on the northern side of road C-051532, respectively (all unable to assess if recently laid). On the same road, next to the latter mine, the same UAV again spotted another anti-tank mine (TM-62). All these mines were assessed as belonging to the armed formations. (For previous observations in the areas, see SMM Daily Reports of [5 May 2020](#) and [25 March 2021](#).)

On 27 April, while positioned about 2km north of Petrivske, the Mission heard an undetermined explosion at an assessed range of 5-7km west-north-west, assessed as outside the area but within 5km of its periphery.

Withdrawal of weapons

The SMM continued to monitor the withdrawal of weapons in implementation of the Memorandum and the Package of Measures and its Addendum.

In violation of withdrawal lines, the SMM observed a surface-to-air missile system near a residential area in a government-controlled area of Donetsk region, as well as three towed howitzers and three tanks in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

Beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites, the SMM observed 26 tanks at two training areas in non-government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (For further information, see the tables below.)

Weapons storage sites

At a weapons permanent storage site in a non-government-controlled area of Luhansk region
27 April

The SMM noted that six tanks (T-64) were again missing.

Indications of military and military-type presence in the security zone⁷

The Mission saw 15 armoured combat vehicles and an anti-aircraft gun in government-controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk regions, including in a residential area, as well as five armoured combat vehicles in a non-government-controlled area of Luhansk region. (For further information, see the table below.)

Presence of anti-tank mines, some seen for the first time, on both sides of the contact line in Donetsk region

On 23 April, at two locations about 2km north-north-east of Marinka (government-controlled, 23km south-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted for the first time an anti-tank mine in a field and two anti-tank mines on a local road next to it (all assessed as not recently laid). At three locations on the north-eastern edge of Marinka, the same UAV again spotted four anti-tank mines on a road leading east towards Donetsk city's Petrovskiyi district (non-government-controlled), and 12 anti-tank mines in a field, about 30-90m from the nearest residential houses.

⁷ The hardware mentioned in this section is not proscribed by the provisions of the Minsk agreements on the withdrawal of weapons.

All these mines were assessed as belonging to the Ukrainian Armed Forces. (For previous observations in the area, see SMM Daily Reports of [18 March 2019](#) and [5 May 2020](#).)

In a field about 4km north-east of Oleksandrivka (non-government-controlled, 20km south-west of Donetsk), the same UAV spotted for the first time six anti-tank mines (assessed as not recently laid and belonging to the armed formations).

On 26 April, in two fields about 3km west-north-west and about 1km south of Nevelske (government-controlled, 18km north-west of Donetsk), an SMM mini-UAV spotted for the first time in total about 180 anti-tank mines (assessed as not recently laid and belonging to the Ukrainian Armed Forces).

On 27 April, while positioned on the western edge of Berezhivske (non-government-controlled, 53km north-west of Luhansk), the SMM heard six undetermined explosions at an assessed range of 6-8km north-north-west and assessed as pre-announced controlled detonations.

SMM facilitation of maintenance and operation of critical civilian infrastructure

The Mission continued to facilitate the operation of the DFS. While positioned at seven locations near the station, the Mission recorded 44 explosions (seven outgoing and 37 undetermined), all assessed as within a 5km radius of the DFS.

The Mission also monitored adherence to localized ceasefires to enable regular railway track inspection, maintenance and vegetation clearance in Vilkhove (government-controlled, 22km north-east of Luhansk).

Situation at entry-exit checkpoints and corresponding checkpoints

In Luhansk region, the Mission noted that the entry-exit checkpoint (EECP) near Stanytsia Luhanska and the corresponding checkpoint of the armed formations south of Stanytsia Luhanska bridge were open, with people queuing to travel in both directions.

The SMM also noted that the EECPs near Zolote and Shchastia (government-controlled, 20km north of Luhansk) were open but that the corresponding checkpoints of the armed formations south of the disengagement area near Zolote and 3km south-east of the bridge in Shchastia were closed.

Border areas outside government control

While positioned at a border crossing point near Novoazovsk (102km south-east of Donetsk), for about 30 minutes, the Mission observed a covered cargo truck (with “DPR” plates) entering Ukraine and 12 cars (including six with “DPR” plates) exiting Ukraine.

Security situation in south-east Kherson region

On 25 and 26 April, the Mission monitored areas of south-east Kherson region at a State Border Guard Service of Ukraine post in Valok (188km south-east of Kherson) and at checkpoints near Chaplynka (77km south-east of Kherson), Kalanchak (67km south-east of Kherson) and Chonhar (163km south-east of Kherson). On 25 April, the Mission saw upgrades to a military position near Chaplynka and ten Ukrainian Armed Forces personnel near it.

The SMM continued monitoring in Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Dnipro, Chernivtsi and Kyiv.

***Restrictions of the SMM's freedom of movement or other impediments to fulfilment of its mandate**

The SMM's monitoring and freedom of movement are restricted by security hazards and threats, including risks posed by mines, unexploded ordnance (UXO) and other impediments – which vary from day to day. The SMM's mandate provides for safe and secure access throughout Ukraine. All signatories of the Minsk agreements have agreed on the need for this safe and secure access, that restriction of the SMM's freedom of movement constitutes a violation, and on the need for rapid response to these violations. They have also agreed that the Joint Centre for Control and Coordination (JCCC) should contribute to such response and co-ordinate mine clearance. Nonetheless, the armed formations in parts of Donetsk and Luhansk regions frequently deny the SMM access to areas adjacent to Ukraine's border outside control of the government (for example, see [SMM Daily Report of 23 April 2021](#)). The SMM's operations in Donetsk and Luhansk regions remain restricted following [the fatal incident of 23 April 2017 near Pryshyb](#); these restrictions continued to limit the Mission's observations.

Regular restrictions related to disengagement areas and mines/UXO:

- The sides continued to deny the SMM full access, as well as the ability to travel certain roads previously identified as important for effective monitoring by the Mission and for civilians' movement, through failure to conduct comprehensive clearance of mines, UXO and other obstacles.

Other impediments:^{8,9}

- On 27 April, an SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, during six separate flights over areas near Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km north of Donetsk).
- On the same day, an SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, while flying over areas near Nevelske (government-controlled, 18km north-west of Donetsk).
- On the same day, an SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, while flying over areas near Troitske (government-controlled, 30km north of Donetsk).
- On the same day, an SMM mini-UAV experienced GPS signal interference, assessed as caused by probable jamming, during two separate flights over areas near Berezove (government-controlled, 31km south-west of Donetsk).

⁸ For cases of probable jamming and jamming mentioned in this section, the interferences could have originated from anywhere within the radius of kilometres from the UAVs' positions.

⁹ SMM long-range UAV flights are temporarily paused and will recommence after further assessment. See [SMM Daily Report of 26 April](#) and [SMM Spot Report 11/2021](#).

Tables of weapons

Weapons in violation of withdrawal lines

Date	No. of weapons	Type of weapon	Location	Source of observation
Government-controlled areas				
27/4/2021	1	Surface-to-air missile system (9K33 <i>Osa</i>)	Near a residential area of Ozarianivka (formerly Pershe Travnia, 52km north of Donetsk)	Patrol
Non-government-controlled areas				
26/4/2021	3	Towed howitzer (D-30 <i>Lyagushka</i> , 122mm)	Near Luhansk city	Mini-UAV
27/4/2021	3	Tank (type undetermined)	Near Sofiivka (formerly Karlo-Marksove, 40km north-east of Donetsk)	Patrol

Weapons beyond withdrawal lines but outside designated storage sites

Date	No. of weapons	Type of weapon	Location	Source of observation
Non-government-controlled areas				
25/4/2021	22	Tank (type undetermined)	In a training area near Kruhlyk (31km south-west of Luhansk)	Aerial imagery
	1	Tank (T-64)		In a training area near Boikivske (formerly Telmanove, 67km south-east of Donetsk), in a zone within which deployment of heavy armament and military equipment is further proscribed according to Point 5 of the Memorandum of 19 September 2014.
27/4/2021	3	Tank (type undetermined)		

Table of military and military-type presence in the security zone¹⁰

Date	No.	Type	Location	Source of observation
Government-controlled areas				
25/4/2021	3	Armoured combat vehicle	In a residential area near Taramchuk (29km south-west of Donetsk)	Aerial imagery
26/4/2021	1	Anti-aircraft gun (ZU-23, 23mm)	Near Nevelske (18km north-west of Donetsk)	Mini-UAV
	2	Infantry fighting vehicle (BMP variant)	Near Hnutove (90km south of Donetsk)	
	2	Probable infantry fighting vehicle (BMP variant)	Near Pyshchevyk (84km south of Donetsk)	
27/4/2021	1	Armoured personnel carrier (BTR-60)	Near Novobakhmutivka (28km north of Donetsk)	Patrol
	2	Infantry fighting vehicle (BMP-1)	Near Novotroitske (36km south-west of Donetsk)	
	4	Armoured personnel carrier (MT-LB)		
	1	Armoured personnel carrier (BTR variant)	Near Bolotene (22km north-east of Luhansk)	
Non-government-controlled areas				
26/4/2021	5	Armoured combat vehicle	Near Lobacheve (13km east of Luhansk)	Mini-UAV

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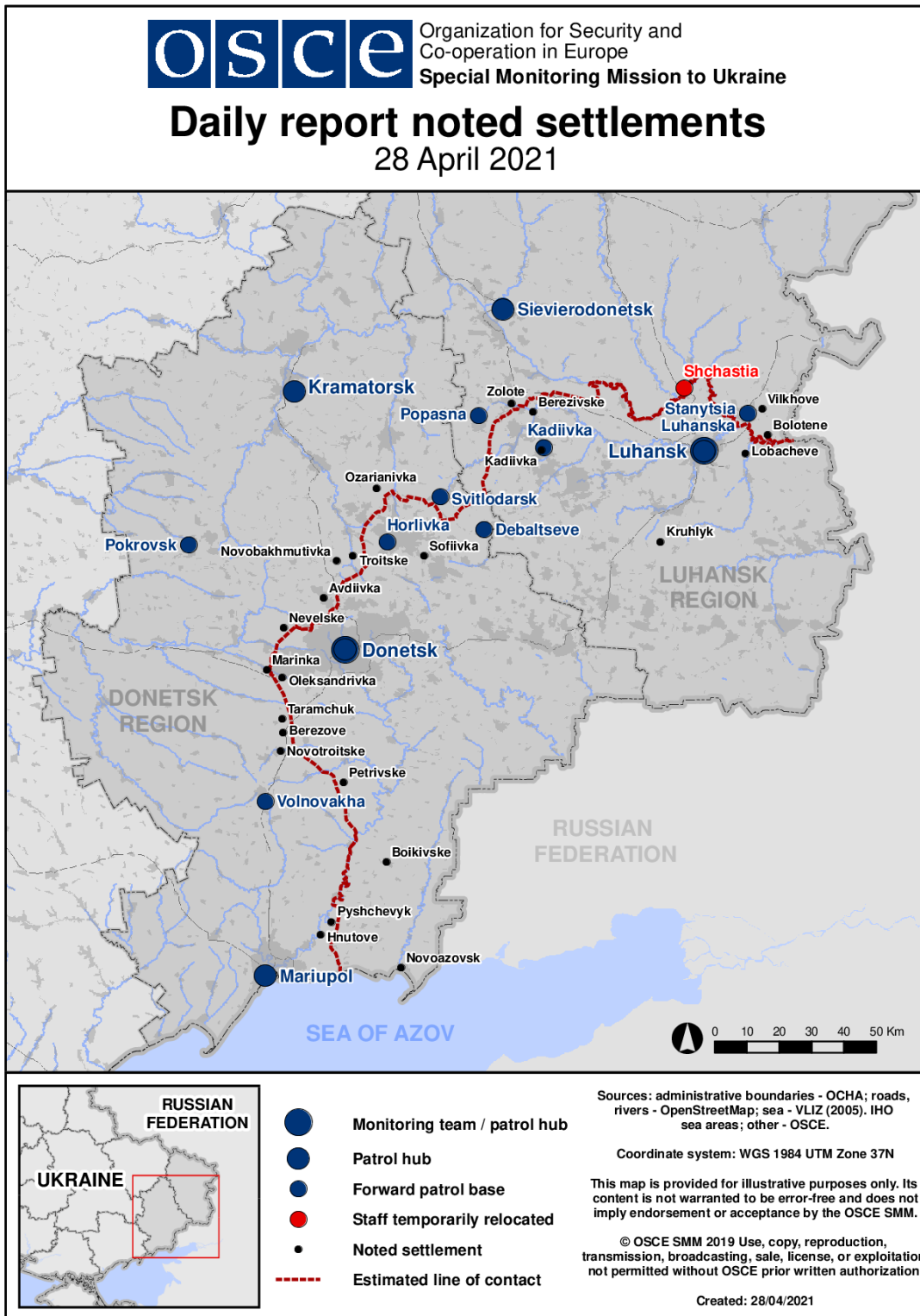
Table of ceasefire violations as of 27 April 2021¹¹

SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
SMM camera in Chermalyk (government-controlled, 77km S of Donetsk)	3-5km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	ESE to WNW	N/K	26-Apr, 20:08
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	26-Apr, 20:09
	3-5km SE	Recorded	1	Projectile	NNE to SSW	N/K	26-Apr, 20:09
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE	N/K	26-Apr, 20:11
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	26-Apr, 20:15
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Apr, 20:15
	3-5km SE	Recorded	1	Burst	NNE to SSW	N/K	26-Apr, 20:19
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	26-Apr, 20:41
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Projectile	SW to NE (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Apr, 20:41
	3-5km SE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Apr, 20:58
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Muzzle flash		N/K	26-Apr, 21:03
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Projectile	WSW to ENE (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Apr, 21:03
	3-5km SSE	Recorded	1	Explosion	Impact (subsequent to previous event)	N/K	26-Apr, 21:03
Horlivka (non-government-controlled, 39km NE of Donetsk)	5-6km SW	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	26-Apr, 21:49-21:50
	3-4km WNW	Heard	11	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 14:48-14:50
	3-4km WNW	Heard	13	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 14:55-14:59
Railway station in Yasynuvata (non-government-controlled, 16km NE of Donetsk)	2-3km N	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:01
	2-3km SW	Heard	10	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:04-10:12
	2-3km NW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 11:21-11:22
About 1km NW of the railway station in Yasynuvata (non-government-controlled, 16km NE of Donetsk)	2-3km NW	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 14:23
About 3.5km SSE of Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km N of Donetsk)	4-6km NNE	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 11:39-11:40
	4-7km SW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 11:55
	3-5km SW	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 11:57-12:14
	3-5km SW	Heard	1	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 11:57-12:14
About 2km S of Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km N of Donetsk)	4-6km SW	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 12:34
	4-6km SW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 12:45
About 3.5km SE of Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km N of Donetsk)	2-3km SSW	Heard	8	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:00-10:03
	2-3km E	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:02-10:03
	2-3km SSW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:06
	2-3km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:12
	2-3km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:09
	2-3km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:16
	2-3km NE	Heard	2	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:18
	2-3km E	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 11:18
SE edge of Avdiivka (government-controlled, 17km N of Donetsk)	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:35
	2-3km SSW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:38

¹¹ The table only includes ceasefire violations directly observed by SMM patrols or recorded by the SMM cameras, and it may include those also assessed to be live-fire exercises, controlled detonations, etc. Details provided – in terms of distance, direction, weapons-type, etc. – are based on assessments provided by monitors on the ground and technical monitoring officers, and are not always necessarily precise. When information is not known (indicated with an “N/K”), the SMM was unable to ascertain such information due to distance, weather conditions technical limitations and/or other considerations. Ceasefire violations recorded by more than one patrol/camera and assessed to be the same are entered only once.

SMM position	Event location	Means	No.	Observation	Description	Weapon	Date, time
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:41
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:43
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:45
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:47
	2-3km SSW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 13:50
About 2km N of Petrivske (non-government-controlled, 41km S of Donetsk)	5-7km WNW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area)	N/K	27-Apr, 13:50
Nevelske (government-controlled, 18km NW of Donetsk)	4-6km SSW	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 15:13-15:15
About 2.5km SSE of Sofiivka (formerly Karlo-Marksove, non-government-controlled, 40km NE of Donetsk)	2km W	Heard	25	Shot		Small arms	27-Apr, 09:50-10:00
	2km W	Heard	12	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:00
	2km W	Heard	15	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:10
	2km W	Heard	30	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:10
About 2km E of Sofiivka (formerly Karlo-Marksove, non-government-controlled, 40km NE of Donetsk)	2-3km SW	Heard	13	Shot and burst		Small arms	27-Apr, 09:22
	2-3km SW	Heard	8	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 09:34-09:40
About 2km WNW of Vuhlehirsk (non-government-controlled, 49km NE of Donetsk)	4-5km WNW	Heard	1	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:41
About 500m NE of Kamianka (government-controlled, 20km N of Donetsk)	5-7km SW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 09:46
	4-6km SW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:04
	4-6km SW	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 10:20
	5-7km SW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 12:22-12:23
2-4km SSE	Heard	4	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 13:06	
About 2km SSE of Kamianka (government-controlled, 20km N of Donetsk)	1-2km ESE	Heard	7	Explosion	Outgoing	N/K	27-Apr, 14:24
Kadiivka (formerly Stakhanov, non-government-controlled, 50km W of Luhansk)	13-15km NW	Heard	3	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote)	N/K	26-Apr, 18:18-18:23
	13-15km NW	Heard	12	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote)	N/K	26-Apr, 19:03-19:19
	13-15km NW	Heard	39	Burst	Assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote	N/K	26-Apr, 19:03-19:19
	13-15km NW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined (assessed as outside the disengagement area near Zolote)	N/K	26-Apr, 19:22
Popasna (government-controlled, 69km W of Luhansk)	3-5km SE	Heard	18	Explosion	Undetermined	Mortar (type N/K)	26-Apr, 18:24-19:15
	3-5km SE	Heard	12	Burst		HMG	26-Apr, 18:24-19:15
	3-5km SE	Heard	30	Shot		Small arms	26-Apr, 18:24-19:15
1km NNW of Lozivskiyi (non-government-controlled, 32km W of Luhansk)	3-5km SW	Heard	20	Burst		HMG	27-Apr, 10:44-10:52
1.4km N of Kruhlyk (non-government-controlled, 31km SW of Luhansk)	10-15km NW	Heard	7	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 12:35-12:45
Trokhizbenka (government-controlled, 32km NW of Luhansk)	5-7km WNW	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	Mortar (type N/K)	27-Apr, 13:18
NE edge of Staryi Aidar (government-controlled, 20km north-west of Luhansk)	8-10km W	Heard	2	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 13:20-13:28
Kadiivka (formerly Stakhanov, non-government-controlled, 50km W of Luhansk)	10-12km W	Heard	1	Explosion	Undetermined	N/K	27-Apr, 16:22

Map of Donetsk and Luhansk regions¹²



¹² The SMM is deployed to ten locations throughout Ukraine – Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Donetsk, Dnipro, Chernivtsi, Luhansk and Kyiv – as per Permanent Council Decision 1117 of 21 March 2014. This map of eastern Ukraine is meant for illustrative purposes and indicates locations mentioned in the report, as well as those where the SMM has offices (monitoring teams, patrol hubs and forward patrol bases) in Donetsk and Luhansk regions. (In red: a forward patrol base from which SMM staff have temporarily relocated based on recommendations of security experts from participating States, as well as SMM security considerations. The SMM uses the premises during daylight hours and also patrols in this settlement during daylight hours).