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## **Progress in implementing the Minsk agreements**

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*Vienna, 1 July 2016*





- 3.1m people affected by conflict
- 0.8m along line of contact
- 2.7m in NGCA
- 1.1 Externally displaced (*OCHA 5.16*)
- NGCA area: approx. 17'000km<sup>2</sup>
- Length of contact line: approx. 480km



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**Package of measures for the implementation of the Minsk Agreements, signed 12 February 2015**

# Normandy format

- Meetings and phone calls of heads of state
- Meetings of foreign ministers
- Deputy ministers, political directors and political advisors
- Expert meetings



## **Paragraph 11, Minsk Package of Measures:**

„11. Carrying out constitutional reform in Ukraine with a new constitution entering into force by the end of 2015 providing for decentralization as a key element (including a reference to the specificities of certain areas in the Donetsk and Luhansk regions, agreed with the representatives of these areas), as well as adopting permanent legislation on the special status of certain areas of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions in line with measures as set out in the footnote until the end of 2015.“

# Trilateral Contact Group

**Ukraine** (Leonid Kuchma)

**Russia** (Boris Gryzlov)

**OSCE** (Martin Sajdik)

- Bi-weekly meetings in Minsk
- Extended format with representatives of ORDO/ORLO
- In addition, 4 working groups on political, security, economic and humanitarian issues



## Economy

- Progress: rehabilitation of water, gas and electricity infrastructure
- Challenge: «separation» of the economy, social payments, railway infrastructure



## Humanitarian

- Progress: Release of detainees, exchange of information
- Challenge: Security and opening times of crossing points/ access for humanitarian organizations remains problematic



# Working groups

## Political

- Progress: Regular meetings (#41 last Wednesday)
- Challenge: Local elections law and law on amnesty



## Security

- Progress: Withdrawal and control of heavy weapons
- Challenge: Consolidation of the ceasefire, disengagement



# Special Monitoring Mission



Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe  
Permanent Council

PC.DEC/1117  
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991st Plenary Meeting

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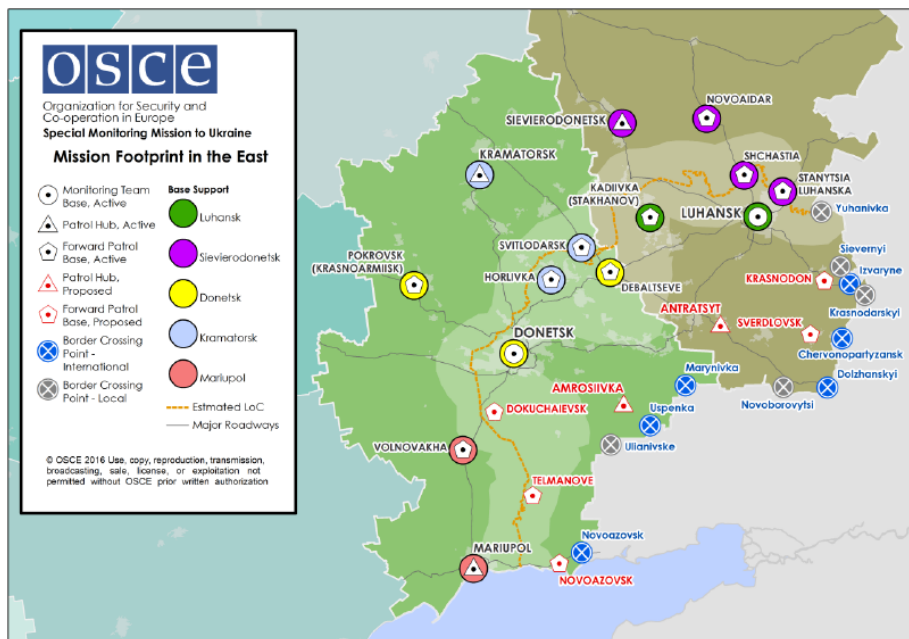
## DECISION No. 1117 DEPLOYMENT OF AN OSCE SPECIAL MONITORING MISSION TO UKRAINE



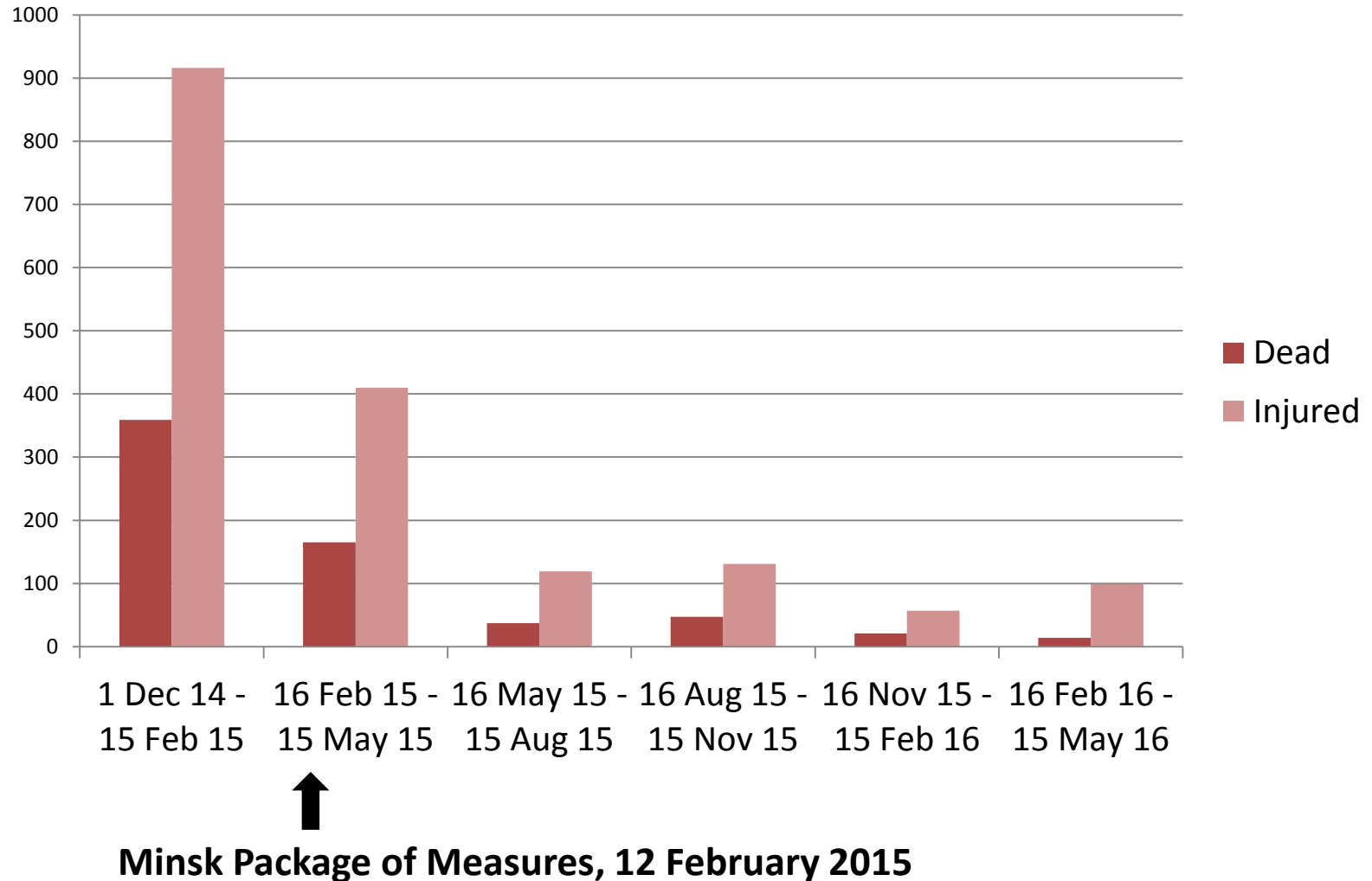
- 794 international staff, out of which **707 Monitoring Officers** (from more than 45 countries)
- 306 national staff  
*as of 22 June 2016*

- Mandate agreed on 21 March 2014

- Mandate for all of Ukraine
- **Presence** in Kyiv, Kherson, Odessa, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk, Kharkiv, Donetsk, Dnipro, Czernivtsi and Luhansk
- **Reinforced presence in Eastern Ukraine**, more than 590 Monitoring Officers, plus additional hubs and Forward Patrol Bases



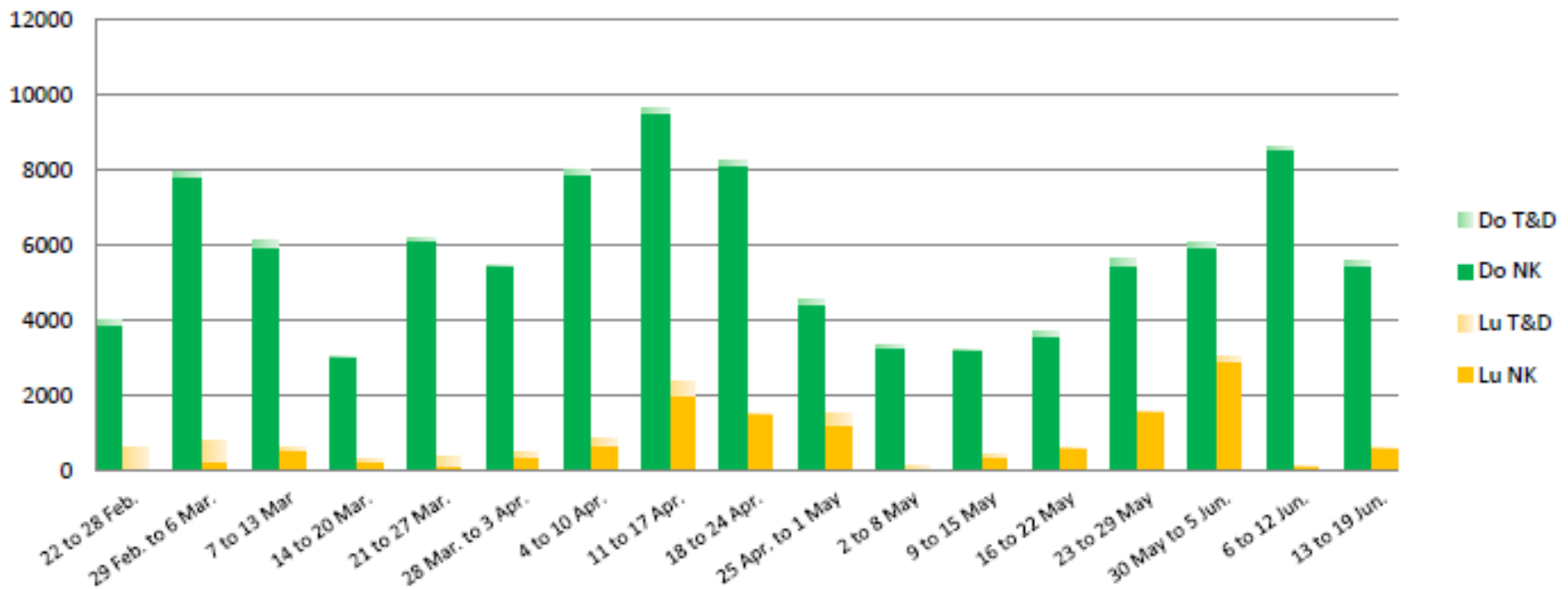
## Civilian casualties of the conflict in Eastern Ukraine December 2014 – May 2016 (data by OHCHR)





## Ceasefire violations since February 2016

Ceasefire violations recorded in the past seventeen weeks including those estimated to correspond to training and demining activities



Data by OSCE SMM, as of 22 June 2016