## <u>Armed hostilities on rise again in</u> <u>Ukraine, where conflict 'never really</u> <u>stopped,' says UN rights wing</u>

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Entrance to Sloviansk city, Ukraine, pockmarked with bullets and shrapnel. Photo: UNICEF Ukraine/Pavel Zmey

12 December 2017 – An uptick in armed hostilities in Ukraine has resulted in more deaths and new damages to critical water infrastructure storing dangerous chemicals – posing a grave threat to human life and the environment, according to a new United Nations report.

The <u>report</u> of the <u>Human Rights Monitoring Mission in Ukraine</u>, published on Tuesday, warned that that daily ceasefire violations coupled with falling temperatures further aggravated a dire human rights and humanitarian situation on both sides of the contact line.

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