

Malaysia-Philippine-Indonesia Joint Security Control Cooperation to be implemented Soon
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KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) -- The joint security control cooperation in maritime areas between Malaysia, Philippine and Indonesia will be implemented as soon as possible, says Deputy Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Johari Baharum.

He said the implementation of the cooperation was vital following the increase in kidnapping threats by militants in the areas.

"It will be implemented as soon as it receives the nod from the top leaders of the three countries.

"There shouldn't be any problems as the countries involved had agreed in principle to implement it as soon as possible," he told reporters today.

Commenting further, the deputy minister said the security control cooperation would be implemented using the Melaka Strait joint patrol model.

"(We believe) the joint patrol will be able to reduce maritime issues in the waters of the three countries," he said.

Mohd Johari was met after opening the 15th Pacific Area Cataloguing Seminar (PACS) here today.

The 15th PACS, organised by the Defence Ministry, was participated by some of the regional countries in Asia Pacific including Japan, South Korea, Thailand, Indonesia, Poland, Czech Republic, Australia, France, German and Belgium.

Also present were Defense Ministry secretary-general Datuk Seri Abdul Rahim Mohamad Radzi and Director of Malaysian Armed Forces Cataloguing Authority (MAFCA) Lt Col Abd Wahab Enok.

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