

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-SINO FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and China have decided to jointly combat terrorism;
- (b) if so, whether both the countries have set up a joint committee in this regard; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a)-(c): During the visit of Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji to India in January 2002, the two sides agreed to establish a bilateral dialogue mechanism against terrorism. Dates for the first meeting are being finalised through diplomatic channels.