

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3804  
ANSWERED ON:23.12.2004  
JOINT PATROLLING OF MALACCA STRAITS  
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether India and Malaysia have agreed for joint patrolling of Malacca Straits;
- (b) if so, whether two other prominent countries around Strait of Malacca, Singapore and Indonesia have already approached India to patrol sea and ensure safety of the vessels;
- (c) if so, whether any agreement in this regard has been reached with these countries; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) & (d): Do not arise.