Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia conduct Trilateral Defense Ministers Meeting

The defense ministers of Indonesia, Philippines and Malaysia during their trilateral meeting at the Department of National Defense in Quezon City, on 20 June 2016.

Philippine Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin (middle), Indonesian Defense Minister General (R) Ryamizard Ryacudu (left) and Malaysian Defense Minister Dato’ Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein (right) conducted a Trilateral Meeting on 20 June 2016 at the EDSA Lounge of the Department of National Defense in Camp Aguinaldo, Quezon City.
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The three defense chiefs discussed the growing security challenges in the region, including the maritime area of common concern to the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia, as well as the recent incidents of kidnapping and armed robbery at sea. The Ministers further reaffirmed the commitment of the countries to address such threats that undermine peace, security and prosperity in the region.
Incoming Defense Secretary of the Philippines Hon. Delfin Lorenzana also joined the Trilateral Meeting, where the Ministers agreed that the best practices shared by Malaysia and Indonesia on their experiences in the Malacca Straits Patrol (MSP) may be adopted as a model for trilateral cooperation to address common maritime security concerns.

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