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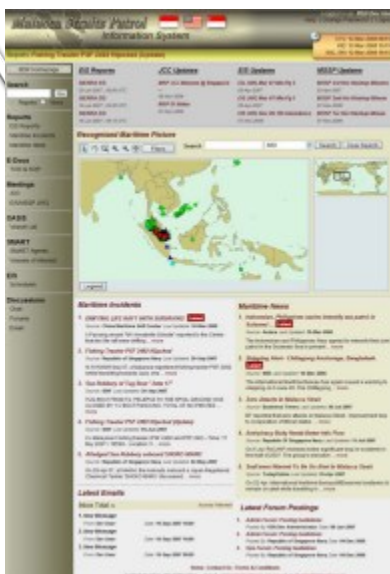
Fact Sheet: Malacca Strait Patrols Information System

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The launch and operational use of the Malacca Strait Patrols Information System or MSP-IS demonstrates the resolve of the states to meet the security requirements of the Malacca Strait in a co-operative and committed manner. The system serves to enhance the situation awareness of Malacca Strait and its approaches. With the MSP-IS, air and sea assets deployed on scene can quickly pass information of an unfolding incident to all Monitoring and Action Agencies (MAA) on a real-time basis. This will enhance the shared situation awareness and facilitate co-ordination in term of responses.

The MSP-IS was set up in November 2006 for trial operations. Since then, the MAAs have been accessing it on a regular basis to share maritime information.

The MSP-IS has recently been enhanced with two new features - namely an Open and Analysed Shipping Information System (OASIS) and a Sense-Making Analysis and Research Tool (SMART).



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Screen Capture of the Malacca Strait Patrols Information System Homepage.

Open and Analysed Shipping Information System (OASIS)

The Open and Analysed Shipping Info-System or OASIS, provides a near real-time Recognised Maritime Picture (RMP) and a database of sea going vessels, with a listing of more than 150,000 vessels presently. OASIS thus provides MSP IS users with enhanced regional maritime awareness. It is capable of displaying both real-time and historical trend data in a common maritime picture.

Malacca Straits Patrol Information System

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SMART Agents

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No	SMART Agents	Select Agent(s)
1	IMO Number discrepancies in databases	<input type="checkbox"/>
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8	No class society Description: Class Society: are organizations that establish and apply technical standards in relation to the design, construction and survey of marine related facilities including ships and offshore structures. Vast majority of ships are built and surveyed to the standards laid down by classification societies. Source: www.iacs.org.uk	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	No P & I Club Description: P&I Club: Protection and Indemnity Club are mutual insurance associations which between them insure the liabilities of majority of the world's ocean going tonnage.	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Vessel has port detention	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Flag state of convenience Description: Flag State of Convenience: Flag State of convenience (FOC) refers to vessels that fly the flag of a country, "for the purposes of reducing operating costs or avoiding government regulations". It can also be simply taking advantage of a country's infrastructure.	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Screen Capture of the Sense-Making Analysis and Research Tool (SMART) Agents Function.

Sense-Making Analysis and Research Tool (SMART)

The Sense-Making Analysis and Research Tool, or SMART complements the OASIS database. SMART can also be used to detect anomalous behavior of ships transiting in the region and provide early warning to the MAA to cue operational responses where necessary. SMART is a platform that promotes collaboration among the participating states in sense-making to detect any weak signal and through further sharing of related information to finally detect the real threat to regional maritime security.

News Release:

- Inaugural Malacca Strait Patrols Information Sharing Exercise (MINDEF_20080328001.pdf)

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