

《湄公河护航下月起开始展开》

BEIJING - Joint police patrols along the Mekong River will kick off in mid December to restore security after a deadly attack to Chinese ships in October.

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Chinese police will start patrols along the river with Laos, Myanmar and Thailand, said a statement from the Ministry of Public Security here Saturday.

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No exact date was given, but the first joint patrol will be carried out before December 15, said the statement, issued after a ministerial meeting of four countries held in Beijing.

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Police from the four will work together to restore shipping and guarantee security along the river, the statement said.

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Shipping on the Mekong River has been suspended since two cargo ships were attacked on October 5, resulting in the murder of 13 Chinese sailors.

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