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Opening Statement by H.E. Mr. Abulkalam Abdul Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, ViceMost LDCs and Pacific Island countries face considerable challenges in achieving the MDGs. All are confronted with economic vulnerability, stagnant economic growth, limited productive capacities, and weak employment opportunities. All are adversely affected by the effects of global warning and climate change. For Small Island Developing and climatically vulnerable States, the prospect of a continuing warming climate, together with narrowing economic, trade and employment options, mean that their very survival is at stake.

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