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High-Level Review Meeting on the Implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

Background

Small island developing States (SIDS) face "unique and particular vulnerabilities" due to their small size, remoteness, narrow resource base and exposure to global environmental challenges. In order to address these challenges, the international community adopted the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States in 1994. This was followed in 2005 with the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius Strategy), which sets forth actions and strategies in 19 priority areas, including climate change, tourism resources and trade.

Marking five years since the adoption of the Mauritius Strategy, Heads of State, Government and delegation gathered at the United Nations during the opening week of the 65th session of the General Assembly to review the progress made and lessons learned in reducing the vulnerabilities of SIDS through implementation of the Mauritius Strategy.

Programme

Friday, 24 September 2010

9 - 11:30 am	Opening Plenary (General Assembly Hall)
3 - 6 pm	Multi-stakeholder Roundtable on "Reducing vulnerabilities and strengthening the
	resilience of SIDS" (NLB Conference Room 2)

Saturday, 25 September 2010

10 am - 1 pm	Multi-stakeholder Roundtable on "Enhancing international support for SIDS" (NLB
	Conference Room 2)
3 - 6 pm	Interactive dialogue on cross-regional perspectives
6 - 7 pm	Closing Plenary (General Assembly Hall)