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40. **Mr. Rogne** (Thailand), speaking as a youth delegate, said that while travelling around his country, he had found that young people were consistent in their demands for greater participation in decision-making processes. The year 2015 would mark the deadline for the MDGs, which his Government that taken serious steps to meet. It would also mark the inauguration of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations Economic Community, which would bring about freer movement of goods and labour and provide greater opportunities for prosperity and development throughout the region.

41. Thailand had invested heavily in education, and its Government provided vocational training to young people that included hands-on experience in particular industries. Youth-led initiatives around the country validated the statement of the Secretary-General in his report on follow-up to the implementation of the International Year of Volunteers that volunteers could significantly contribute to the attainment of the Millennium Development Goals.

42. **Mr. Sungkanand** (Thailand), speaking as a youth delegate, said that educational organizations in Thailand had developed disability-inclusive curricula, including the provision of class materials in audio and Braille formats for the blind. Pension and health care coverage for older persons had been expanded. The Internet was creating many more opportunities for young persons to communicate and empower themselves to make positive changes in society.

