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OCEANS IN CRISIS

Oceans are resilient, but they're not indestructible or limitless. When we throw something "away," there is a good chance it will end up in the oceans. There is no "away." There is only "out of sight." Toxins, trash, medications, metals, ships, nets and so much more—the oceans have become our sewers. There is more plastic in some oceans than plankton. They say you are what you eat...and most of us eat enough plastic every year to make a credit card.

The oceans create the air we breathe. They are the source of all life. We cannot survive without them.

"Unite for the ocean we need for the future we want."

— United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres