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**PRESS RELEASE: Raffe Hotels & Resorts announces partnership with Oceanic Global**

Raffe Hotels and Resorts is pleased to announce that it is partnering with global NGO, Oceanic Global, to work towards eliminating all single use plastics from the operations of Plantation Island Resort, Lomani Island Resort and Fiji Gateway Hotel.

Oceanic Global, who is the official non-profit and production partner to the United Nations for this year's World Oceans Day celebration, empowers behaviour that protects the ocean's health and raises awareness for the devastating effects of human consumption on aquatic ecosystems. Raffe Hotels & Resorts will be working towards implementing the recommendations of The Oceanic Standard (TOC), which provides guidelines for adopting sustainable operating practices that meet both business and environmental needs.

"This is Oceanic Global's first and only partnership in the South Pacific, which we are immensely proud to be a part of" states Director of Sales, Marketing & Strategic Development, Akshay Singh. "By systematically working through The Oceanic Standard and achieving each level of Oceanic Global's certification, we will transform our business practices and lead the way in mainstream tourism sustainability."

All three Raffe Hotels & Resorts properties have already been awarded Oceanic Global's "Straw Free" badge, which certifies that each property has eliminated plastic straws from their operations and replaced them with an environmentally sustainable alternative. The next goal for Raffe Hotels & Resorts is to be awarded the "Sustainability Steward" badge.

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