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**OCEAN FUND AWARDS \$1.2 MILLION IN NEW GRANTS FROM  
ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL AND CELEBRITY CRUISES**

**MIAMI** – May 22, 2000 – Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. has awarded \$1,215,000 in eight new grants to marine conservation organizations through its Ocean Fund, Chairman and CEO Richard D. Fain announced today.

In 3½ years since the launch of the Ocean Fund, the global vacation company has awarded \$3,327,600 on behalf of Royal Caribbean International and Celebrity Cruises to 30 organizations working to protect the marine environment.

The latest grants range from \$30,000 to \$150,000 annually and will underwrite projects related to marine pollution prevention, fisheries certification, seafood consumer education and field research.

Major three-year grants of \$450,000 were awarded to both the Center for Marine Conservation (CMC) and World Wildlife Fund. The Ocean Fund also continued its support of Alaska SeaLife Center, the Bahamas Reef Environment Educational Foundation (BREEF), National Audubon Society and Earthwatch Institute, each receiving a grant for the third consecutive year.

New grantees include the Miami Museum of Science and the Tongass Coast Aquarium in Ketchikan, Alaska.

“We share the excitement of our Ocean Fund partners in the significant work they are doing to protect marine habitats,” Fain said. “The scope and quality of their environmental programs are more impressive every year. We are fortunate to play a role in both their past and future success.”

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