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Back cover: Wind has a profound influence on the landscape of the most remote inhabited island in the world, Rapa Nui, also known as Easter Island. Deforested since the 1700s, the island experiences severe wind erosion as evidenced by these gullies at Poike at the eastern edge of the island. To learn about current restoration and education efforts on Rapa Nui, see p. 422. Photo by Regina V. Alvarez

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