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We discuss evidence for the existence of new type of semitopological ring-like localized field configurations whose stability is due to both topological and nontopological charges. They are local minima of the energy in scalar field theories with an unbroken U(1) global symmetry. We obtain numerical solutions of the filed configuration corresponding to to large rings and derive virial theorems demonstrating their stability.