To: Ministry of Food, Agriculture and light Industry, Mongolia

The Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry Agriculture of RF sincerely notes the letter of the Minister of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry of Mongolia dated on 21 Aug., 2020 N:01/2896 and informed.

Animal husbandry production is a major contributor for food security and for full nutritious food. Sound management of rangelands contributes for environmental protection and biodiversity conservation. However the fast growing urbanization and expansion of arable land affects traditional way of life of pastoralists.

In connection with the need to recognize the increased value of rangelands and pastoralists on achieving SDGs until 2030 we note the importance of Mongolian initiative for declaring 2026 as the IYRP.

This initiative was endorsed by 27 Session of COAG FAO, which was held on 28 Sept.- 02 Oct.2020.

The Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry Agriculture of RF using this occasion resumed its trust and sincerely for the cooperation with the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and light Industry of Mongolia.

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