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**Subject: Letter of Commitment to IYRP 2026 – Juan Pérez Martínez  
(Pastos de la Sierra)**

**Cazalla de la Sierra (Spain), 8<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Your Excellency,**

As a Senior Agricultural Engineer and the founder of the **Observatorio Pastos de la Sierra** (based in Cazalla de la Sierra, Spain), I am writing to personally express my full support and commitment to the **International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP) 2026**.

This initiative is my personal, independent, and strictly philanthropic project. It stems from my individual commitment to return to society and the scientific community the knowledge I have gathered over a lifetime dedicated to agrostology and pasture management.

In accordance with the official guidance, I am pleased to outline my proposed contributions:

**a) Importance of IYRP to my initiative**

For me, IYRP 2026 represents a milestone in bridging the gap between scientific research and the ancestral wisdom of pastoralists. In the Mediterranean "Dehesa"—a unique agrosilvopastoral system—pastures are the bedrock of ecological and economic sustainability. This International Year provides the essential global platform I need to advocate for the preservation of these landscapes and the dignity of the pastoralist way of life.

**b) Proposed Activities (2026 and beyond)**

I am committed to mobilizing my own technical expertise and physical infrastructure to support the following:

- **Physical Technical Hub:** I offer my private 47 \$m<sup>2</sup> headquarters in Cazalla de la Sierra as a dedicated space for workshops, technical seminars, and collaborative sessions.

- **Open Access Knowledge Transfer:** I provide free access to my specialized library and personal botanical database (comprising technical papers and regional flora studies) to assist students, researchers, and farmers.
- **Senior Mentorship:** I will personally offer pro-bono guidance to young agronomists and pastoralists in the fields of botanical identification and "in-kind" field diagnostics.
- **Regional Advocacy:** I will act as a local "amplifier" for IYRP's global objectives within the Sierra Norte de Sevilla region, facilitating public outreach and field demonstrations.

#### c) Financing and Funding Strategy

My project operates on a strictly non-profit and philanthropic basis. I do not seek external funding; my contribution is entirely "in-kind", consisting of:

- The full availability of my private office, laboratory equipment, and facilities.
- My professional time and expertise as a senior engineer, provided on a **voluntary and pro-bono basis**.
- This model ensures my total independence and guarantees that there are no financial barriers for those seeking pastoralist education and guidance through my office.

I congratulate the Government of Mongolia for its visionary leadership. I am honored to put my person and my resources at the service of IYRP 2026.

**Sincerely,**

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