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En la carta que reproducimos se dice que la WWF-International incluye el nombre de Antonio Cano Gea entre el de sus honorables miembros, concediéndole ese galardón como homenaje póstumo por sus grandes servicios a la causa de la conservación del medio ambiente.



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Mrs. Josefa Cano
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Dear Mrs. Cano,

The Board of Trustees of WWF-International has asked me to inform you that our Board has honoured the memory of your husband, Antonio Cano Gea, by adding his name to the WWF-International Conservation Roll of Honour. This is a posthumous honour for people having rendered great service to the cause of conservation.

Please find enclosed a copy of the speech that was made to the Open Session of the WWF-International Council to introduce the award winners, and a list of the complete Roll of Honour on which Mr. Cano Gea's name appears.

Yours sincerely,

Charles de Haes

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Esta es la primera página del texto que se leyó en la Sesión plenaria del WWF-International de 19/Mayo/1.985 donde aparece la designación de Antonio Cano Gea «que dedicó los doce últimos años de su vida a la organización y montaje de un Centro de rescate para variedades de "gacela" al borde de su extinción».

WWF-INTERNATIONAL AWARD WINNERS 1985, INTRODUCED BY
CHARLES DE HAES, DIRECTOR-GENERAL, AT THE OPEN SESSION OF
THE THIRD MEETING OF THE WWF-INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL
DIVONNE, FRANCE, 19 MAY 1985

(as delivered, transcribed from tape-recording)

Monsieur le Président, Altesse Royale, Excellence, Monsieur le Maire de Divonne, membres de la presse, de la télévision, de la radio, mesdames, messieurs. Je tiens à vous souhaiter à tous la bienvenue ici aujourd'hui. Nous représentons plus de trente pays assemblés ici aujourd'hui et nous sommes très contents d'avoir l'occasion de pouvoir avoir cette réunion en France. Puisque l'anglais est la langue officielle de notre organisation, j'espère que vous permettrez que je continue en anglais.

The World Wildlife Fund recognises old friends that have served our cause and have served the cause of conservation, both living and dead. It is my sad duty to tell you that we have found the necessity to honour posthumously the following persons who have made a magnificent contribution to conservation over the years. I will read their names to you in alphabetical order:

- Mr. Antonio Cano Gea from Spain, a retired lawyer who spent the last 12 years of his life in organizing and funding the captive breeding of endangered species of gazelle.
- Dr. Harold Coolidge from the United States, the eminent primatologist and conservationist, who had been closely associated with both WWF and IUCN since their foundation.
- Mr. Helmut Diller of Germany, the noted wildlife artist, many of whose works have been donated to WWF and have been used on WWF greeting cards and other products.
- Mrs. Indira Gandhi from India, who as Prime Minister of India took the lead in ensuring the establishment of sound conservation policies both in her own and in neighbouring countries.
- Dr. Nart Tantawiroon from Thailand, one of his country's most active and dedicated conservationists, who was active in trying to prevent the construction of the Nam Choan Dam.

We remember our friends with affection and sadness at their departure.