



António Costa
Prime Minister
Portugal

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Dear Prime Minister, Dear António,

It was with great pleasure that I received the news on your appointment as Prime Minister. Therefore, on behalf of the Party of European Socialists, I would like to wish you the very best of luck with your mandate.

The elections results have shown that the Portuguese people were clearly asking for a change and gave their trust to the left. A trust that I am sure you will repay with great results.

Nowadays in Europe, we are experiencing one of the worst periods in history. Terrorism is trying to affect our daily lives, but our answer should be a message of unity, cohesion and solidarity. It is a great relief to all of us to know that a true socialist will be the Prime Minister of Portugal, especially in these troubling times.

I am confident that you will set up your government, together with an excellent team of ministers, and that the Portuguese people will be able to see the change from the very beginning.

I am looking forward to seeing you at our Pre-Council meeting on 17th December in Brussels.

Yours in solidarity

Sergei Stanishev
President
Party of European Socialists

