

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
Form 6-K
August 31, 2010

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of August 2010

Commission File Number 1-13758

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Av. Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40
1069 - 300 Lisboa, Portugal**

(Address of principal executive office)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes

No

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Qualified Holding

Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. (PT) informs that Brandes Investment Partners, L.P. (Brandes) now holds less than 5% of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of PT.

As informed by Brandes, on 23 August 2010, Brandes clients owned 32,494,734 PT ordinary shares and 12,283,682 PT American Depositary Receipts (representing 12,283,682 PT ordinary shares), which, in total, represent approximately 4.99% of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of PT (the Shares).

Brandes further informed that such holding is attributed to Brandes as this entity is authorised to exercise the voting rights corresponding to the PT shares it has acquired on behalf of its investment management clients.

This statement is pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code, following information received from Brandes, with registered office at 11988 El Camino Real, Suite 500, P.O. Box 919048, San Diego, CA 92191-9048, USA.

Portugal Telecom, SGPS, SA
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Portugal

Public company
Share capital Euro 26,895,375
Registered in the Commercial
Registry Office of Lisbon
and Corporation no. 503 215 058

Portugal Telecom is listed on the
Euronext and New York Stock
Exchange. Information may be
accessed on the Reuters under the
symbols PTC.LS and PT and on
Bloomberg under the symbol PTC
PL.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 30, 2010

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: */s/ Nuno Vieira*
Nuno Vieira
Investor Relations Director

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