

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
Form 6-K
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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 April 2011

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

Announcement | Lisbon | 1 April 2011

Qualified Holding and Short Position

Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. (PT) informs that it was notified by Barclays Plc (Barclays) of the following:

(a) Barclays and its subsidiaries no longer hold a qualified holding in PT, as a result of the sale, on 25 March 2011, of a total of 26,895,360 PT shares;

(b) Barclays now holds a relevant short position on 1.38% of PT s share capital, as a result of short sales representing 1.32% of PT s share capital, which were carried out on 25 March 2011 by the following Barclays subsidiaries: Barclays Capital Securities Ltd and Palomino Limited.

PT was further informed that such relevant short position is held as follows:

| Entity | Holding Type | Holding | % of Share Capital |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Palomino Limited | Equity | -148,833 | -0.02% |
| Barclays Capital Securities Ltd | Equity | 254,958 | 0.03% |
| Derivatives | | | |
| | Counterparty | Instrument Type | |
| | Cominvest Institutional Cash Plus | Synth FWD | 4,730,000 0.53% |
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| | Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. | Swap | -20,640,000 -2.30% |
| | UBS OConnor LLC | CFD | -61,516 -0.01% |
| | CMC Markets UK PLC | CFD | -26,826 -0.003% |
| | SAC Capital Advisors | CFD | -51,606 -0.01% |
| | Stratus Master Limited | CFD | -118,084 -0.01% |
| | Seigneur Limited | CFD | 79,203 0.01% |
| Aggregate Total | | -12,342,704 | -1.38% |

This statement is pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code and article 5 the Portuguese Securities Commission Regulation no. 4/2010, following communications received from Barclays, with head office at 1 Churchill Place, London

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(1) PT informs that the interests disclosed above were calculated with reference to 896,512,500 issued shares. Considering the number of shares required to cover the swap held by PT as described above, shares outstanding would be 875,872,500.

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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: April 1, 2011

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

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

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