

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA

Form 6-K

April 14, 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 April 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)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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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 X

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Qualified Holding

Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. (PT) informs that Barclays Plc now holds more than 2% (two percent) of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of PT.

Such new holding resulted from the purchase by Barclays Capital Securities Ltd, through an OTC transaction, of 11,030,387 (eleven million thirty thousand and three hundred and eighty seven) PT ordinary shares made on 6 April 2010. As a result of such transaction, Barclays Plc now holds a total of 22,470,435 (twenty two million, four hundred and seventy thousand and four hundred and thirty five) ordinary shares representing 2.51% (two point fifty one percent) of PT 's share capital and corresponding voting rights.

Additionally, PT was informed that such holding is attributed to Barclays Plc through the following entities:

- > Barclays Bank Plc: 695,780 ordinary shares representing 0.08% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;
- > Barclays Bank SA: 297,297 ordinary shares representing 0.03% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;
- > Barclays Capital Inc: 3,183,538 ordinary shares representing 0.36% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;
- > Barclays Capital Securities Ltd: 17,746,220 ordinary shares representing 1.98% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;
- > Barclays Capital Luxembourg SaRL: 250,000 ordinary shares representing 0.03% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;
- > Barclays Wealth Managers Portugal SGFIM S.A.: 297,600 ordinary shares representing 0.03% of the share capital and voting rights in PT;

This statement is pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code, following a communication received from Barclays Plc, with registered office at 1 Churchill Place, London E14 5HP, United Kingdom.

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Portugal Telecom, SGPS, SA	Public company	Portugal Telecom is listed on the	Nuno Vieira
Avenida Fontes Pereira de Melo, 40	Share capital Euro 26,895,375	Euronext and New York Stock	Investor Relations Director
1069-300 Lisbon	Registered in the Commercial	Exchange. Information may be	nuno.t.vieira@telecom.pt
Portugal	Registry Office of Lisbon	accessed on the Reuters under the	Tel.: +351 21 500 1701
	and Corporation no. 503 215 058	symbols PTC.LS and PT and on	Fax: +351 21 500 0800
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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 13, 2010

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: /s/ Nuno Vieira

Nuno Vieira

Investor Relations Director

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