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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Nomination of Ms Elisa FERREIRA as Member of the European Commission

Delegations will find attached a translation of a letter from Mr Nuno BRITO, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the European Union, forwarding the letter from Mr António COSTA, Prime Minister of Portugal, nominating Ms Elisa FERREIRA as Member of the European Commission..

PERMANENT REPRESENTATION
OF PORTUGAL
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION
BRUSSELS

Brussels, 26 August 2019

Dear Sir

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter from the Prime Minister of Portugal to the President-elect of the European Commission.

The original of this letter has been sent to the head of the transition team of the President-elect of the European Commission; a copy has also been sent to the Permanent Representative of Finland to the European Union for information.

(Complimentary close)

(s.) The Permanent Representative

Mr
Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen
Secretary-General
Council of the European Union
Brussels

C. António Costa

Lisboa, 26 de agosto de 2019

Senhora Presidente-eleita,

Em resposta à carta que me dirigiu sobre a formação do próximo Colégio de Comissários, e na sequência das conversas que mantivemos, tenho a honra de propor Elisa Ferreira como Membro de Portugal na Comissão Europeia a que V.Exa. presidirá.

As qualidades pessoais, as competências técnicas e políticas, bem como a experiência acumulada ao longo de anos de serviço público, no Governo de Portugal e no Parlamento Europeu, fazem de Elisa Ferreira uma peça valiosa para a equipa de Comissários que está a constituir para implementar a agenda estratégica progressista com que se comprometeu para os próximos cinco anos.

Na expectativa de podermos começar a trabalhar em conjunto brevemente para prosseguir a construção de uma União Europeia à altura dos seus valores e das expectativas dos nossos cidadãos, queira aceitar, Senhora Presidente-eleita, o testemunho da minha mais elevada consideração,

António Costa

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S.E. Ursula von der Leyen
Presidente-eleita da Comissão Europeia

Courtesy translation

Lisbon, 26 August 2019

Dear President-elect,

In response to your letter on the formation of the next College of Commissioners and following our conversations, I am honoured to propose Elisa Ferreira as the Portuguese Member of the European Commission which you will preside.

Her personal abilities, technical and political skills, as well as the experience developed through years of civil service, in the Portuguese Government and in the European Parliament, make of Elisa Ferreira a most valuable piece for the team of Commissioners that you are building to implement the progressive strategic agenda which you have committed to for the next five years.

I am looking forward to start working closely with you soon to pursue the construction of a European Union that matches its values and our citizens' expectations.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

António Costa

H.E.
Dr. Ursula von der Leyen
President-elect of the European Commission

ELISA FERREIRA

Current position:

Vice-Governor of Banco de Portugal (Central Bank) - from 8 September 2017

Portugal's representative at the **Supervisory Board** of the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM - ECB) - from 20 June 2016

Previous positions:

1. Member of the **Board of Banco de Portugal** and Portugal's representative at the Supervisory Board of the Single Supervisory Mechanism (SSM) - (20 June 2016 to 8 September 2017)
2. Member of the **European Parliament** - elected in 2004, 2009 and 2014 - (July 2004 - June 2016), including:
 - Member of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee (ECON) - (2004-2016)
 - Coordinator (spokesperson) of the Socialists and Democrats Parliamentary Group in the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee - (2004-2016)
 - Member of the first and second Special Parliamentary Committees on Tax Rulings and Other Measures Similar in Nature or Effect - TAXE 1 and TAXE 2 - (2015-2016)
 - Member of the Working Group on Financial Assistance to the Eurozone countries - (2016)
 - Member of the Special Committee on the policy challenges and budgetary resources for a sustainable European Union - (2010-2011)
 - Member and Rapporteur of the Special Committee on the Economic, Financial and Social crises - (2009-2011)
 - Rapporteur of the European Parliament's position on several legislative proposals related to the financial system as well as on several economic, budgetary and tax policy matters, inter alia:
 - Co-rapporteur of the TAXE 1 Committee - (2014-2015)
 - Rapporteur on the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing uniform rules and a uniform procedure for the resolution of credit institutions and certain investment firms in the framework of the Single Resolution Mechanism (SRM) and a Single Resolution Fund (SRF) - (2014)

- Rapporteur on two regulations of the “Two Pack” and “Six Pack” legislative proposals – Common provisions for monitoring and assessing draft budgetary plans and Ensuring the correction of excessive deficit of the Member States in the Euro Area – (2011-2012)
 - European Parliament Rapporteur on cross-border banking crises – (2012)
 - “Shadow rapporteur” of the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD) – (2013)
3. Member of the **Portuguese Parliament** – (2002-2004)
 4. **Minister for Planning** (Spatial and Regional Development) in Portugal’s 14th Constitutional Government – (1999-2002); (was Portugal’s chief negotiator of the European Structural and Cohesion Funds Package) (QCA III – 2000-2006)
 5. **Minister for Environment** in Portugal’s 13th Constitutional Government – (1995-1999); (was Portugal’s negotiator of the Kyoto Protocol)
 6. **Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Economics** of the Porto University – (since 1977)

Education:

- **PhD** in Economics – University of Reading – (1985)
- **Master’s Degree** in Economics – University of Reading – (1981)
- **Degree** in Economics – Porto University – (1977)

Other positions:

- Executive Vice-President of the Porto Industrial Association (Associação Industrial Portuense) – (1992-1994)
- Vice-President of Portugal’s Northern Region Coordination Commission (Comissão de Coordenação da Região do Norte) – (1988-1992)
- Member of the Board of Portugal’s Statistics authority (Instituto Nacional de Estatística) – (1989-1992)

Grand Cross of the Military Order of Christ: Decoration (2005)