

PORTUGAL TELECOM SGPS SA
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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 January 2012

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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Yes No

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Reduction of Holding and Long Position

Portugal Telecom, SGPS S.A. (PT) informs that Telefónica, S.A. (Telefónica) has reduced its holding to less than 2% of the voting rights corresponding to the share capital of PT and its long position to less than 5% of PT 's share capital, as follows:

- i) On 20 January 2012, Telefónica disposed, on regulated market, of 150,000 PT shares. As a result of such transaction, Telefónica held 17,912,661 shares representing 1.998% of PT 's share capital and corresponding voting rights;
- ii) On 19 January 2012, within an equity-linked swap Telefónica partially disposed of a long economic position corresponding to 175,000 PT shares;
- iii) As a result of the transactions described in (i) and (ii) above, Telefónica held a long position in PT corresponding to 44,640,099 shares representing 4.979% of PT 's share capital.

Additionally, PT was informed that such holding and long position were attributed to Telefónica as follows:

Holding		% of share capital and voting rights
Shares	17,912,661	1.998%

Financial Instruments

Type	Maturity / Expiration Date	No. of corresponding shares	% of share capital
Equity-linked swap	18 July 2012	3,401,227	0.379%
Equity-linked swap	19 September 2012	9,410,283	1.049%
Equity-linked swap	31 August 2012	13,915,928	1.552%

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Long position (Holding+ Financial instruments)	% of share capital
	44,640,099 4.979%

This statement is pursuant to the terms and for the purposes of article 17 of the Portuguese Securities Code and articles 2 and 2-A of the Portuguese Securities Commission Regulation no. 5/2008, following a communication received from Telefónica, with registered office at Gran Vía 28, 28013 Madrid, Spain, with a share capital of Euro 4,563,996,485.00, registered in the commercial registry office of Madrid, Tomo 12,534, Folio 21, *hoja* M-6164, inscription 1359, with the number C.I.F. A-28/015865.

Portugal Telecom, SGPS, SA	Public company	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.	Nuno Vieira
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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: January 22, 2012

PORTUGAL TELECOM, SGPS, S.A.

By: /s/ Nuno Vieira

Nuno Vieira
Investor Relations Director

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