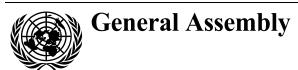
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## Letter dated 11 October 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly

I have the honour to announce to you that Portugal would like to relinquish its seat on the Economic and Social Council for the year 2002 in favour of Spain.

I would be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 15 (b).

(Signed) Francisco Seizas da Costa Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations