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Dear Miss Maria Pintassilgo,

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on being appointed as Prime Minister. It would be nice to call you as "First Lady of Lisbon" to govern Portugal since Queen Maria II in 1853.

Since 1975, you have been successful as Portugal's Ambassador to U.N.E.S.C.O. and previously to the United Nations. As Secretary of State for Social Security and Minister of Social Affairs, you were largely responsible for pushing through a "women's Rights Bill". I am sure people of Portugal will appreciate and welcome the tough measures bound to take place during your administration.

Let me introduce myself to you.  
My name is EDWARD SELVENDRAN. I come  
from the small island of Sri-LANKA (formerly  
called CEYLON). I am sure you will  
remember that it was in the year 1505  
Ceylon became a colony of Portugal.  
Since 1964, I am resident in Britain  
and working for Hoyds Bank Htl.

At a time when you are very busy  
with your new administration, I do not  
wish to take much of your time. I  
do sincerely hope and wish that you  
will govern Portugal after the general  
election in November. May God Bless  
you and give you strength.  
Best wishes.

yours sincerely,  
E. Selvendran,  
(E. SELVENDRAN)



From an admirer of  
Portugal.