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Lisbon, August 7th, 1975

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I am very much aware of the fact that you have been personally one of the political leaders to plead for help to Portugal. Therefore, I take the opportunity to insist on the fact that such a help cannot be limited by political conditions at this stage. To renew a country through a revolution is very different from a smooth building up of a democracy. Therefore, it seems to me (and to my friends here) that instead of "democracy in Portugal first and then help from Europe" it should be "help from Europe for Portugal to build its own democracy".

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(Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo)