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Courtesy visit of g7 + to the Executive Secretary of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP)

The Secretary General of g7+, Dr. Helder da Costa was today, September 3, 2021, received by the Executive Secretary of the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP) Dr. Zacarias da Costa, at the Executive Secretariat of the CPLP in Lisbon. The g7+ as Associate Observer congratulated the appointment of the current Executive Secretary, Dr. Zacarias da Costa who took office on August 1, 2021.

This is a historic moment in which both Intergovernmental Organizations, the g7+ Secretariat and the CPLP Executive Secretariat are managed by nationals of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste.

We recall that the g7+ group was officially awarded the category of Associate Observer by the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries (CPLP) on July 17, 2021 in Luanda, Angola. The resolution was adopted during the XIII Summit of Heads of State and Government of the CPLP member countries held in Luanda, Angola.

g7+ is among 13 other countries and organizations to whom the Associated Observer category has been granted, namely: Canada, Cote d’Ivoire, India, Hellenic, Peru, Qatar, Romania, Spain, United States of America, Ibero-American Conference and EPLO.

The g7+ took the opportunity to reaffirm that the g7+ and the CPLP share the same values in a mission for the defense of peace, development and solidarity and, therefore, several activities were addressed in which both organizations will participate together.

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