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To: Cabinet
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311 Spínola resigned from the presidency in a TV and radio speech at 1115 hours today, giving the following reasons why he felt unable to continue:

The program of the Armed Forces Movement has been abused and distorted
the mass media has been continuously and gradually brought under unauthorized control,
the misinterpretation of laws and the abolition of old laws without replacing new ones,
the decolonization of the African territories has not been carried out in a democratic order (general elections promised).

He concluded by saying that the general climate is leaning towards anarchy and appealed to the common sense of the Portuguese.

According to the provisional constitution of May 14, 1974, the President is elected by the junta from among its members.

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312 General Costa Gomes has been appointed as the new President.

He has confirmed that Vasco Gonçalves remains Prime Minister.

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