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Portugal

Left Bloc doubles its number of MPs

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The coordinator of Portugal's Left Bloc, Francisco Louçã, last night thanked the 550 thousand Portuguese who voted for the Bloco in yesterday's parliamentary elections, thus ensuring that it would more than double its parliamentary representation.

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"Never before has a party achieved such an increase in percentage terms. The Left Bloc has shown that being a left alternative and fightback can defeat an absolute majority [of the Socialist Party]."

The Left Bloc will now be represented in parliament by 16 MPs.