

## EPP REGRETS THE LOSS OF LOYOLA DE PALACIO

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The President of the European People's Party (EPP), **Wilfried Martens**, the Secretary General, **Antonio Lopez - Istúriz**, and the Summit of Prime Ministers and Head of States of the EPP, deeply regret the loss of the former European Commissioner Loyola de Palacio and expressed their condolences to her family.

**Lopez - Isturiz** emphasised that *"her death is a great loss for the Spanish PP and all the family of the EPP. We treasure her example and her constant commitment for the benefit of Spain and Europe"*.

Moreover, President **Martens** stated that *"De Palacio was one of the most enthusiastic defenders of the European project during her tenure as Minister in Spain as well as during her mandate as Vice-president of the European Commission"*.

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