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### THE CONSTITUTIONAL COURT DISMISSES, BY UNANIMITY, THE REQUEST FOR A PRECAUTIONARY SUSPENSION OF THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE INVESTITURE SESSION ORDERED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PARLIAMENT OF CATALONIA ON MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>

The Plenary Session of the Constitutional Court has unanimously dismissed the petition of the Party of the Socialists of Catalonia (PSC) for a precautionary suspension of the decision, adopted on March 9<sup>th</sup>, by the President of the Parliament of Catalonia. This decision had adjourned *sine die* the investiture session of Jordi Sánchez as President of the Government of Catalonia.

PSC had made this request through an appeal lodged within the framework of the process on constitutional protection ("*recurso de amparo*") initiated by this very same party against a previous decision of the President of the Parliament of Catalonia. This first decision had postponed the investiture session of Carles Puigdemont on January, 30<sup>th</sup>. PSC has now requested to suspend as a precautionary measure such decision and asked the Court to set a deadline in which the autonomous Parliament of Catalonia must hold a new plenary session for a first vote on the investiture of Jordi Sánchez. Thus, the 2 months period established by law for an anticipated dissolution of the legislative term would start to run.

The Court has held that none of the precautionary measures requested by the plaintiff shall be taken into account, since they refer to the decision adopted by the President of the Parliament of Catalonia on March, 9<sup>th</sup>, a decision which is not the object neither of these particular proceedings (which relate to the postponement ordered on January, 30<sup>th</sup>) nor of any other constitutional proceedings.

Madrid, 20 March 2018