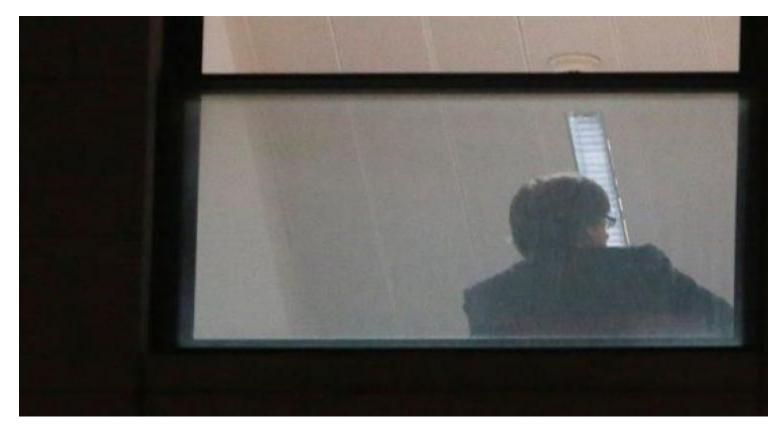
Belgium Police Releases Puigdemont on Bail



Brussels, November 6 (RHC)-- Catalonia's former president, Carles Puigdemont, has been freed from police custody in Brussels, along with four of his former ministers, on bail and pending trial.

The Catalan politicians, who were released on Sunday, had turned themselves over to police in Belgium earlier in the day, after Spain issued a European Union-wide arrest warrant against them.

The former Catalan leader, who is conditionally released, is expected to appear in a Belgian court soon over his possible extradition.

The arrest warrant, which Puigdemont is expected to contest, was issued on Friday and includes charges such as disobedience, sedition and misuse of public funds.

The former ministers released with Puigdemont were Toni Comín, Lluís Puig, Clara Ponsatí and Meritxell Serret .

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