

First Portuguese NBA player “Neemias Queta” having an impressive start with the Boston Celtics

Users on Twitter have already coined the nickname “Big Portugal” for Neemias Queta after he has put together an impressive start to the preseason with the Boston Celtics. On October 19th he scored 12 points and 7 rebounds in only 13 minutes of play against the Charlotte Hornets.

Celtics announcers were very impressed with what they were seeing from Queta on the court.

Neemias Queta, preseason MVP. #NBA #BleedGreen #DifferentHerepic.twitter.com/p5tE6Y3ifB

– Ricardo Brito Reis (@rbritoreis) October 20, 2023

If Neemias Queta earns a spot on the roster and sees playing time during the regular season, im sure that will add an extra layer of excitement for fans in the south coast of Massachusetts.

TV ratings definitely going up in New Bedford and Fall River this year

– Ned Brady (@therealnedbrady) October 20, 2023

Queta was born in Lisbon, Portugal and raised in Vale da Amoreira. In 2018 he signed to play basketball at Utah State who was the only school to give him an offer. He became the first Portuguese player ever drafted after being selected with

the 39th overall pick in the 2021 NBA draft by the Sacramento Kings. On December 17th, 2021 he became the first Portuguese player ever to play in the NBA.

Now, in 2023 he is a new member of the Boston Celtics and has gotten off to a fantastic start!

"The vibes are great right now"@tvabby caught up with Neemias Queta after the C's win pic.twitter.com/2IUyn45djn

– Celtics on NBC Sports Boston (@NBCSCeltics) October 20, 2023