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Rajoy delivers the Gold Medal for Merit in Work to Rafael Nadal

For their efforts in tennis

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USPA NEWS - The Spanish prime minister, Mariano Rajoy, has delivered to Rafael Nadal the Gold Medal for Merit in Work, for his career, effort and dedication. Nadal has collected the Medal coinciding with the celebration of last May 1.

In a ceremony held at the Moncloa Palace in Madrid, which was also attended by the Minister for Employment, Fatima Báñez, the chief executive pointed out that this award is given in recognition of a useful and exemplary conduct in the performance of any work. Mariano Rajoy has stressed that Rafael Nadal was also awarded "for their efforts, for their demand himself, for his enthusiasm, his balance, his modesty and keep our feet on the ground." In sum, he added the president, "for a job well done that has led to great successes that we all know."

The president summarized the trajectory of the athlete noting that is the second tennis player in history to win Grand Slams; the one that has never won Roland Garros, nine. "I think this brand is not going to ever beat anyone, only can overcome it," he said. In addition, he noted that it is the player who has won more Masters 1000 in the history, is the best ever on earth, has added four Davis Cups and the Olympic Games in Beijing.

The Council of Ministers awarded the Gold Medal for Merit in Work on 23 June 2014. Nadal was unable to collect the award in the act originally planned because he was recovering from an operation. Therefore, he has collected coinciding with the celebration of last May 1. Incidentally Labor Day, Mariano Rajoy said: "Many people in Spain who have not yet but already things start to get better, and I am convinced that this year will be many people who get a post work in Spain and the coming years too. In the end, the challenge for all is that, having a job and then perform it decently, which is what has made Rafael Nadal."

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