

Frelimo defector in hiding

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SECURITY police yesterday spirited the defected Mozambique National Director of Security, Mr Jorge Costa, out of the public eye.

The Chief of the South African Security Police, General Johan Coetzee, said he had decided not to reveal Mr Costa's whereabouts to prevent his being harassed by the media.

The 30-year-old director was introduced to Pressmen at Pretoria Police Headquarters on Monday afternoon after having applied for political asylum that morning.

Meanwhile International Red Cross officials may be asked to persuade the Mozambique Government to allow Mr Costa's parents, wife and three children to leave Maputo.

Gen Coetzee said Mr Costa feared for their safety.

He had told the general he had tried to telephone his parents but their phone had been taken away.

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