Foundation slammed by Mozambique

MOZAMBICAN government ministers are privately accusing the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, the foundation linked to Germany's Social Democratic Party, of supporting Mozambican dissidents, writes Antonio Johala.

FÉS has become a major funder of conferences and research projects in Maputo, and key parts of the Maputo intelligentsia are dependent on its resources. Now FES is accused of using its position to intervene in local politics against Frelimo, the ruling party which has abandoned Marxism but still supports socialism.

FES has funded meetings and trips by anti-Frelimo dissidents outside Mozambique, including supporters of South African-backed terror group Renamo. It is also accused of using a meeting about local government to promote a federal solution, which Frelimo argues will promote tribalism, and could lead to the break-up of Mozambique.

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