

SA rightists 'destabilising Mozambique'

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LONDON — Right-wing South African groups were helping to destabilise Mozambique and might attempt to interfere in Angola's first multi-party elections next year, Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos said yesterday.

Mr dos Santos did not identify what he called the "private entities" but said they were the same groups that had given funds to Inkatha.

"The forces that have fed the armed subversion in Mozambique are very active," he told the Royal Institute of International Affairs. "Those forces are still destabilising Mozambique."

Mr dos Santos stressed he did not believe Pretoria was involved and appealed to President de Klerk to do all he could "so that these forces may

be neutralised".

He added: "What we want is positive action, not confrontation, to discourage these forces ... who have not yet understood the meaning of history, which is peace and democracy."

Mr dos Santos said the presence of UN and possibly US, Soviet and Portuguese observers should ensure that Angolan elections in a year's time were free and fair.

He called for emergency aid to help rebuild Angola's economy, in particular for the resettlement of about a million people displaced by the civil war and 80 000 war-disabled people.

The president, who is flying to Brussels for talks today and tomorrow with Belgian and EC leaders, said Angola needed urgent help for roads, bridges, railways, irrigation and electrification. — Sapa-Reuter.