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Former Minister jailed for graft

Mozambique's former Justice Minister Abdul de Almeida has been sentenced to two years in jail for the misappropriation of public funds. As previously reported in **Legalbrief Today**, Almeida was charged with misusing \$28 000 to pay the expenses of three associates who accompanied him to attend the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Saudi Arabia last year. **BBC News** reports that **Justice Joao Guilherme said the sentence was meant to deter the improper use of public funds**, which is becoming endemic in Mozambique.