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ABSTRACT

The automotive industry is used as a case study to examine why the attempts by the post-apartheid state to channel private investment along the lines of developmental states under conditions of globalisation have been not successful. Instead of building a developmental state, the post-apartheid state elite has built a nanny state which simply provides handouts to transnational companies.

RÉSUMÉ

La politique de l'industrie automobile sud-africaine sert d'étude de cas afin de comprendre pourquoi les tentatives de l'État post-apartheid de canaliser les investissements privés sur le principe des États développeurs dans des conditions de globalisation n'ont pas été fructueuses. Au lieu d'édifier un État développeur, l'élite de l'État post-apartheid a créé un État hyper protecteur qui fournit simplement des allocations financières à des firmes multinationales.

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