
ON THE RISE IN GERMANY, FAR-RIGHT AfD DEEPENS TIES TO TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

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Germany's far-right AfD party, long shunned at home, is courting support in Washington, leveraging ties to MAGA personalities who have risen to senior roles in the Trump administration.

The Alternative for Germany (AfD), classified as extremist by Germany's domestic intelligence service and ostracised by mainstream parties, has held meetings with senior U.S. State Department officials in recent months – a rare move for a far-right opposition party in an allied country, according to a current and a former U.S. official and a German government source.

The outreach reflects a growing alignment between the AfD and parts of Trump's MAGA (Make America Great Again) movement, which has voiced support for the party's complaints about political repression at home and its hardline stance on immigration.

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