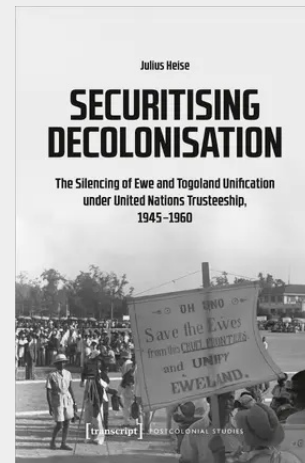


Securitising Decolonisation

The Silencing of Ewe and Togoland Unification under United Nations Trusteeship, 1945-1960

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