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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 6-K**

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of December, 2016

Commission File Number: 1-32575

**Royal Dutch Shell plc**

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

30, Carel van Bylandtlaan, 2596 HR The Hague  
The Netherlands

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(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:  Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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The following is the text of an announcement released to the London Stock Exchange by Royal Dutch Shell plc on December 9, 2016

ROYAL DUTCH SHELL PLC  
COMPANY SECRETARY CHANGE

Royal Dutch Shell plc announces the appointment of Linda Szymanski as Company Secretary with effect from January 1, 2017. Ms Szymanski succeeds Michiel Brandjes who retires at the end of the year after 36 years of service with the Shell group, of which 13 years was as General Counsel Corporate and Company Secretary.

NOTE

Linda Szymanski is a US national. She was appointed General Counsel Corporate with effect from August 1, 2016 and will continue in this role upon her appointment as Company Secretary. Prior to her appointment as General Counsel Corporate, she served as General Counsel of the Upstream Americas business based in the USA and, prior to that, as the Group Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer based in the Netherlands. She has held various legal positions within Shell Oil Company, including Chemicals Legal Managing Counsel and other senior roles in the labour/employment, litigation, and commercial practice areas.

December 9, 2016

Mark Edwards  
Deputy Company Secretary  
Royal Dutch Shell plc

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This Report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference into:

a) the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Royal Dutch Shell plc and Shell International Finance B.V. (Registration Numbers 333-199736 and 333-199736-01);  
and

b) the Registration Statements on Forms S-8 of Royal Dutch Shell plc (Registration Numbers 333-126715, 333-141397, 333-171206, 333-192821 and 333-200953).

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Royal Dutch Shell plc

Date: December 9, 2016

By: /s/ M Edwards

Name: M Edwards

Title: Deputy Company Secretary

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