

**FORM 6-K**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington D.C. 20549**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16**

**under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**For the month of May 2006**

**Commission File Number 1-32575**

**Royal Dutch Shell plc**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**The Netherlands**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

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

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Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

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**Executive Director R. Routs - Contract**

An agreement was signed on 3 May 2006 with Rob Routs, Executive Director responsible for Downstream stipulating that, subject to re-election at the Annual General Meeting on 16 May, Mr. Routs will continue in his present roles, including as Executive Director of Royal Dutch Shell plc and Executive Director Downstream, until 31 December, 2008. As previously disclosed REMCO has decided to depart from a policy of mandatory retirement at a particular age for Executive Directors. The agreement with Rob Routs is a reflection of this policy change.

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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 333-126726 and 333-126726-01); and
- b) the Registration Statement on Form S-8 of Royal Dutch Shell plc (Registration Number 333-126715).

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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  
(Registrant) <tr>

By: /s/ M.C.M. Brandjes

Name: M.C.M. Brandjes  
Title: Company Secretary

Date: 4 May 2006