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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 16, 2016

## ROYAL DUTCH SHELL PLC

### ISSUANCE OF NEW SHARES

Royal Dutch Shell plc (the "Company") announces that it has today issued 58,949,369 A ordinary shares of €0.07 each in relation to the scrip dividend programme for the third 2016 interim dividend.

Following this issue, the total number of A shares in issue is 4,428,903,813 ordinary shares of €0.07 each and the total number of B shares is 3,745,486,731 ordinary shares of €0.07 each. A shares and B shares have identical voting rights. The Company holds no ordinary shares in Treasury.

The total number of A shares and B shares in issue is 8,174,390,544 ordinary shares of €0.07 each and this figure may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculation by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, Royal Dutch Shell plc under the FCA's Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules.

This announcement will be available on <http://www.shell.com/investor>.

December 16, 2016

Mark Edwards  
Deputy Company Secretary

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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 16, 2016

By: /s/ M Edwards

Name: M Edwards

Title: Deputy Company Secretary

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