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# Exxon CEO as top US diplomat adds new dimension to global politics

US president-elect Donald Trump on Tuesday confirmed plans to nominate ExxonMobil chief executive Rex Tillerson as secretary of state after he takes office next month.

The news, which came after days of media speculation, leaves the world's largest oil and gas company looking for a new head, assuming Tillerson's appointment is confirmed by the Senate foreign relations committee – by no means a certainty.



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