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## AUSTRALIA APPOINTS FIRST WOMAN TO LEAD ITS FOREIGN SPY AGENCY

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A former senior public servant is the first woman to be appointed to lead Australia's foreign spy agency. Kerri Hartland will become the director-general of the Australian Secret Intelligence Service (ASIS) in February.

Hartland has recently been overseeing the reform of the workplace culture in Australia's federal parliament following a string of scandals and allegations of sexual assault.

She is an experienced public servant and a former journalist.

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