

Trump's unorthodox Cabinet picks

President-elect Donald Trump's Cabinet choices* face widespread criticism, with several contentious hires receiving mixed reviews even from fellow Republicans



■ **Pete Hegseth, 44: Secretary of Defence** (left). Most contentious pick – potential Pentagon chief faces allegations of alcohol abuse and sexual misconduct



■ **Chris Wright, 59: Energy Secretary** (second right) is expected to increase fossil fuel production – “**drill, baby, drill**” – as way to lift people out of poverty



■ **Kash Patel, 44: FBI Director** (second left). Set to purge Trump's perceived enemies in FBI and federal government – replace them with ideologues

■ **Tulsi Gabbard, 43: Director of National Intelligence** (right). Likely to oversee all U.S. intelligence agencies. Accused of conspiracy theories and support for **Vladimir Putin**

■ **Robert F. Kennedy Jr. 70: Secretary of Department of Health and Human Services.** RFK Jr. (right) is one of nation's most prominent anti-vaccine conspiracy theorists. RFK will oversee funding of medical research and approving medications



■ **Susie Wiles, 67: White House Chief of Staff.** Trump has named eight women to Cabinet-level positions, including Wiles (left) – New Jersey native and de facto 2024 campaign manager is known as one of few people who can say “**no**” to Donald Trump

*Cabinet roles require approval from U.S. Senate