<u>Australia: Readout - Foreign Secretary</u> <u>meeting with Australian Foreign</u> <u>Minister Marise Payne</u>

News story

Foreign Secretary Liz Truss held talks with Australian Foreign Minister Marise Payne during her visit to the country.



A spokesperson from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office said:

Foreign Secretary Liz Truss met with Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Marise Payne, in Sydney for wide-ranging talks. They covered building the UK's cooperation and leadership in the Indo-Pacific with Australia, tackling state and hybrid threats, and defending shared values and the rules-based system.

Ministers also took stock of progress in implementing both the recently announced AUKUS security partnership and UK-Aus Free Trade Agreement, as well as agreeing new ways to deepen collaboration on clean, reliable and honest infrastructure investment.

Finally they agreed to build on our existing strong collaboration on cyber and technology issues, while adding new emphasis to our shared goal of upholding and protecting liberal democratic values.

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