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For the month of April, 2009

HSBC Holdings plc

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**SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION
OF
HSBC
RIGHTS ISSUE
AND
PLACEMENT OF
3.4 PER CENT
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HSBC Holdings plc (
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announces that Goldman Sachs International, J.P. Morgan Cazenove and HSBC Bank plc (the
Joint Global Coordinators
)
have

today
procured acquirers for all of the 172,700,974 New Ordinary Shares
(representing 3.4 per cent of the total number of New Ordinary Shares)
for which valid acceptances were not received under the Rights Issue, at a price of either 448 pence per New Ordinary
Share or HK\$51.83 per New Ordinary Share.

As disclosed in Part VIII of the prospectus issued by HSBC in connection with the Rights Issue dated 17 March 2009
(the

Prospectus

), the net proceeds from the sale of such New Ordinary Shares (after deduction of the Issue Price of 254 pence per
New Ordinary Share and the expenses of procuring acquirers) will be paid to Qualifying Shareholders who have not
taken up their entitlements pro rata to their lapsed provisional allotments, save that individual amounts of less than
£5.00 will not be paid to such persons but will be retained for the benefit of HSBC.

Unless otherwise defined in this announcement, capitalised terms shall have the meaning given to them in the
Prospectus.

By Order of the Board

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Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), in connection with the offer and sale of the securities. A written prospectus satisfying the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act and containing the detailed terms of the Rights Issue is available on the

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Securities and Exchange Commission's website at

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, the Middle East and Africa

. With assets of US\$2,527 billion at 31 December 2008, HSBC is one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations. HSBC is marketed worldwide as 'the world's local bank'.

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SIGNATURE

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.

HSBC Holdings plc

By:

Name: P A Stafford

Title: Assistant Group

Secretary

Date: April 6, 2009