

The following announcement amends and replaces the announcement made on 11 August 2010 under RNS number 8875Q at 9.15 am. This announcement clarifies that the record date, 1 September 2010, is Wednesday and not Monday.

## DIVIDEND ON 6.20% NON-CUMULATIVE US DOLLAR PREFERENCE SHARES, SERIES A ("SERIES A DOLLAR PREFERENCE SHARES")

In 2005 1,450,000 Series A Dollar Preference Shares were issued for a consideration of US\$1,000 each and Series A American Depositary Shares, each of which represents one-fortieth of a Series A Dollar Preference Share, were listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

A non-cumulative fixed-rate dividend of 6.20 per cent per annum is payable on the Series A Dollar Preference Shares on 15 March, 15 June, 15 September and 15 December for the quarter then ended at the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of HSBC Holdings plc. Accordingly, the Board of HSBC Holdings plc has declared a dividend for the quarter ending 15 September 2010. The dividend of US\$0.3875 per Series A American Depositary Share will be payable on 15 September 2010 to holders of record on 1 September 2010.

Any person who has acquired Series A American Depositary Shares but who has not lodged the transfer documentation with the depositary should do so before 12 noon on Wednesday 1 September 2010 in order to receive the dividend.

By order of the Board

R G Barber Group Company Secretary

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