

Monthly Return of Equity Issuer on Movements in Securities

For the month ended (dd/mm/yyyy) :	31/10/2010
for the month ended (dd/mm/yyyy):	51/10/2010

To : Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited

Name of Issuer	HSBC Holdings plc
Date Submitted	4 November 2010

I. Movements in Authorised Share Capital

1. Ordinary Shares			
(1) Stock code : <u>5</u> Descri	ption :	Ordinary	Shares
	No. of ordinary s	Par value (State hares currency)	Authorised share capita (State currency)
Balance at close of preceding month	N/A (please refer to ren	narks)	N/A (please refer to remarks)
Increase/(decrease)			
Balance at close of the month	N/A (please refer to ren	narks)	N/A (please refer to remarks)
(2) Stock code : <u>N/A</u> Descri	ption :		
	No. of ordinary shares	Par value (State currency)	Authorised share capital (State currency)
Balance at close of preceding month			
Increase/(decrease)			
Balance at close of the month			

(please refer to remarks)

2. Preference Shares

Stock code : N/	A Description	n:	Non-cumulative Preference Shares				
	:	No. of preference shares	Par value (State currency)	Authorised share capital (State currency)			
Balance at close of preced	ling month (pl	N/A ease refer to remarks)	·	N/A (please refer to remarks)			
Increase/(decrease)			· -				
Balance at close of the mo	onth <u>(pl</u>	N/A ease refer to remarks)		N/A (please refer to remarks)			

3. Other Classes of Shares

	ed Shares	
No. of other classes of shares	Par value (State currency)	Authorised share capital (State currency)
N/A (please refer to remarks)		N/A (please refer to remarks)
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-	shares N/A (please refer to remarks) N/A	No. of other classes of shares (State currency) N/A (please refer to remarks) N/A

II. Movements in Issued Share Capital

	No. of ordir	nary shares	No of preference	No. of other classes
	(1)	(2)	shares	of shares
Balance at close of preceding month	17,609,551,922 (US\$0.50)	N/A	1,450,000 (US\$0.01)	301,500 (£1)
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Increase/ (decrease) during the month	75,916,691	NT/A	NI / A	NI/A
during the month	(US\$0.50)	N/A	N/A	<u>N/A</u>
Balance at close of the	17,685,468,613		1,450,000	301,500
month	(US\$0.50)	N/A	(US\$0.01)	(£1)

III. Details of Movements in Issued Share Capital

Share Options (under Share Option Schemes of the Issuer)

Particulars of share option scheme including EGM approval date (dd/mm/yyyy) and class of		Movement durin	ng the month		No. of new shares of issuer issued during the month pursuant thereto	No. of new shares of issuer which may be issued pursuant thereto as at close of the
shares issuable	Granted	Exercised	Cancelled	Lapsed		month
1. HSBC Holdings						
Executive Share						
Option Scheme						
(/ /)						
Ordinary shares						
(Note 1)						
2. HSBC Holdings Savings-Related Share Option Plan						
Ordinary shares		1,043,688		2,257,507	1,043,688	160,575,919
(Note 1)						
3. HSBC Holdings Group Share Option Plan						
(/ /)						
Ordinary shares		62,630		691,546	62,630	153,519,150
(Note 1)						
4. HSBC Share Plan						
Ordinary shares						86,046
(Note 1)						00,0+0
(11010-1)		То	tal A. (Ordi	nary shares)	1,106,318	
			(Prefere	ence shares)	N/A	
			(Other class)	N/A	- -
Total funds raised during the m (State currency)	onth from exe	rcise of options		41.72, HK\$14 ,357.84 and €	4,147,386.45, 81,116.98	

Description of warrants (Date of expiry - dd/mm/yyyy)	Currency of Nominal value at nominal close of value preceding month	Exercised Nominal during the at close month mon	of the	No. of new shares of issuer which may be issued pursuant thereto as at close of the month
<u>1. N/A</u>				
(/ /) Stock code (if listed) Class of shares issuable (Note 1) Subscription price EGM approval date (if applicable) (dd/mm/yyyy) 2. N/A	(/ /)			
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Subscription price EGM approval date (if applicable) (dd/mm/yyyy) 4. N/A	(/ /)			
(/ /) Stock code (if listed) Class of shares issuable (Note 1) Subscription price EGM approval date (if applicable)				
(dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /) Tota	B. (Ordinary share) (Preference share) (Other class)	es) N/A	

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Con	vertibles (i.e. Convertible in	nto Shares of the l	ssuer which are to	be Listed)	for main bourd		a 155acr5
	ss and description	Currency of amount outstanding	Amount at close of preceding month	Converted during the month	Amount at close of the month	No. of new shares of issuer issued during the month pursuant thereto	No. of new shares of issuer which may be issued pursuant thereto as at close of the month
1.	N/A						
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	Stock code (if listed) Class of shares						
	issuable (Note 1)						
	Subscription price						
	(if applicable)						
2.	(dd/mm/yyyy)) N/A	(/ /)					
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	Stock code (if listed)						
	Class of shares						
	issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)						
	EGM approval date						
	(if applicable) (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)					
3.	N/A						
	Stock code (if listed)						
	Class of shares issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)						
	Subscription price						
	(if applicable)						
4	(dd/mm/yyyy) N/A	(/ /)					
4.	N/A						
	Stock code (if listed)						
	Class of shares						
	issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)						
	EGM approval date						
	(if applicable) (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)					
	(dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		Total C. (Ordin		N/A	_
					ence shares) Other class)	N/A N/A	-
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	No. of new shares of	
	issuer issued during	No. of new shares of
	the month pursuant	issuer which may be
	the month pursuant	issued pursuant thereto
Full particulars including EGM approval date (dd/mm/yyyy),	thereto	as at close of the month
if applicable, and class of shares issuable:		
1. N/A		
shares (Note 1)		
2. N/A		
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shares (Note 1)	•	
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3. N/A		
	-	
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shares (Note 1)		
Total D. (Ordinary shares)	N/A	
(Preference shares)	N/A	
(Other class)	N/A	

Any other Agreements or Arrangements to Issue Shares of the Issuer which are to be Listed, including Options (other than under Share Option Schemes)

	Type of Issue	in Issued Share Capital						No. of new shares of issuer issued during the month pursuant thereto	may be
				Class of shares issuable	-				
1.	Rights issue	At price : State currency –	N/A	(<i>Note 1</i>) Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	()		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				Class of shares issuable					
2.	Open offer	At price : State	N/A	(<i>Note 1</i>) Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				Class of change issuely					
				Class of shares issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)	_				
3.	Placing	At price : State currency –	N/A	_ Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				Class of shares issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)					
4.	Bonus issue		N/A	Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		

	Type of Issue			I	For Main Boa	rd and GEM listed No. of new shares of issuer issued during the month pursuant thereto	No. of new shares of issuer which may be
				Class of shares issuable (Note 1)	Ordinary		
5.	Scrip dividend	At price : State currency	US\$9.8237	Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(06/10/2010))	
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(N/A)	74,810,373	
				Class of shares repurchased (<i>Note 1</i>)			
6.	Repurchase of shares		N/A	Cancellation date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				Class of shares redeemed (<i>Note 1</i>)			
7.	Redemption of shares		N/A	Redemption date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				Class of shares issuable (Note 1)			
8.	Consideration issue	At price : State currency	N/A	Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		
				EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ /)		

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[_	_		No. of new	No. of new
							shares of issuer	
							issued during the month	
							pursuant thereto	may be issued
							pursuant increa	pursuant
								thereto as at
								close of the
	Type of Issue							month
			Class of shares issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)		·			
9.	Capital reorganisation	N/A	Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ ,	/)		
			EGM approval date:	(/ ,	/)		
			(dd/mm/yyyy)					
10.	Other (Please specify) At price : State currency -	N/A	Class of shares issuable (<i>Note 1</i>)					
			 Issue and allotment date : (dd/mm/yyyy) 	(/ .	/)		
			EGM approval date: (dd/mm/yyyy)	(/ ,	/)		
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					(Oti	her cla	ass) N/A	-
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T	otal increase / (decrease) in ordinary shar	res during t	he month (i.e. Total of A to I	E):			(1) 75,9	16,691

	(2)	N/A			
Total increase / (decrease) in preference shares during the month (i.e. Total of A to E):		N/A			
Total increase / (decrease) in other classes of shares during the month (i.e. Total of A to E):		N/A			
(These figures should be the same as the relevant figures under II above ("Movements in Issued Share Capital").)					

Remarks (if any):

The UK Companies Act 2006 has abolished the concept of authorised share capital with effect from 1 October

2009. To reflect this, the new Articles of Association adopted with effect from 1 October 2009 has been

amended to remove any reference to authorised share capital.

Submitted by: William S M Tam
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Notes :

- 1. State the class of shares (e.g. ordinary, preference or other).
- 2. *If there is insufficient space, please append the prescribed continuation sheet.*