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HSBC Holdings plc

(Incorporated in England with limited liability)

Resumption of Trading in Hong Kong

HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company") issued an announcement in relation to the sale of its Card and Retail Services Business in the US and published the announcement on the Company's website on 10 August 2011. The headlines and document title were published on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Website / Bulletin Board on 10 August 2011.

Trading of the Company's securities in Hong Kong was suspended for the afternoon trading session on 10 August 2011 to allow sufficient time for investors to consider the published information following disruption of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's news services.

Trading of the Company's securities is expected to resume in Hong Kong at 9:00 a.m. on 11 August 2011.

By Order of the Board R G Barber Group Company Secretary

10 August 2011

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