NOTIFICATION OF TRANSACTIONS OF PERSONS DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND/OR CONNECTED PERSONS

This notification relates to a transaction notified in accordance with DTR $3.1.2\ R$ and $3.1.4\ R$ (1)(a)

1	Name of the issuer				
	HSBC Holdings plc				
2	Name of the person discharging managerial responsibilities or, where applicable, the name of the person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities				
	Sir Brian Williamson, a person discharging managerial responsibilities				
3	Description of shares (including class), debentures, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares				
	US\$0.50 ordinary shares				
4	State the nature of the transaction				
	Acquisition / scrip dividend				
5	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired				
	288				
6	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed				
	N/A				
7	Price per share or value of transaction				
	US\$10.4577				
8	Date and place of transaction				
	12 January 2011, London				
9	Date issuer informed of transaction				
	12 January 2011				
10	Total holding following notification				
	37,895				
11	Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification				
	Kalpna Dubasia, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 0592				
12	Date of notification				
	13 January 2011				