

17 November 2011

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC ISSUANCE OF SENIOR NOTES

On 17 November 2011, HSBC Holdings plc issued US\$900,000,000 4.875% Senior Unsecured Notes due January 2022 and US\$750,000,000 6.100% Senior Unsecured Notes due January 2042 pursuant to its senior indenture dated 26 August 2009 (the 'New Notes').

Application has been made to list the New Notes on the New York Stock Exchange.

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The HSBC Group

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