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HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

FIRST INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2012

91,127,385 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each have been allotted by HSBC Holdings plc to shareholders who elected to receive the scrip dividend alternative for the first interim dividend for 2012.

The shares will be issued on 5 July 2012 and will rank pari passu with the existing issued ordinary shares of the Company.

Application has been made to the Financial Services Authority for the shares to be admitted to the Official List and to the London Stock Exchange for the shares to be admitted to trading. Dealings are expected to commence on 5 July 2012.

R G Barber
Group Company Secretary
28 June 2012

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