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## 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
	M M Moses, 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 transactions
	Release by the Trustee of 142,731 ordinary shares following the vesting of the 2009 Restricted Share award made to M M Moses under the HSBC Share Plan. The Trustee of the Plan (i) sold 74,222 shares to meet the tax liability; and (ii) transferred 68,509 shares to M M Moses as beneficial owner.
5	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired
	68,509
6	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed
	74,222
7	Price per share or value of transactions
	(i) £5.4638 (ii) N/A

8	Date and place of transactions
	15 May 2012, London
9	Date issuer informed of transactions
	16 May 2012
10	Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification
	Steve Owen, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 3879
11	Date of notification
	16 May 2012

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