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19 February 2013

**NOTICE OF REDEMPTION TO THE HOLDERS OF**

**HSBC Holdings plc**  
(the "Issuer")

**GBP250,000,000 9.875% Subordinated Bonds due 2018 (ISIN: XS0043041879)**  
**(the "Bonds") issued 8 April 1993**

Pursuant to Condition 4(b)(i) and Condition 10 of the Terms and Conditions of the Bonds, Notice is hereby irrevocably given to holders of the Bonds that on 8 April 2013 (the "Redemption Date") the Issuer will exercise its option to redeem all of the Bonds outstanding at their principal amount together with interest accrued to the Redemption Date in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Bonds.

Payment in respect of the Bonds will be made against presentation and surrender of the Bonds and coupons relating thereto ("Coupons") at the specified office outside the United States of America of any of the Paying Agents.

Bonds and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within periods of twelve years and six years respectively from the Redemption Date.

Details of the Paying Agents are set forth below:

Principal Paying Agent:  
Citibank, N.A., London Branch  
21st Floor, Citigroup Centre  
Canada Square, Canary Wharf  
London E14 5LB  
United Kingdom

Sub-Paying Agent:  
BGL BNP Paribas Luxembourg  
50, avenue JF Kennedy  
L-2951 Luxembourg

For and on behalf of HSBC Holdings plc  
R G Barber  
Group Company Secretary

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**Note to editors:**

**The HSBC Group**

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