## DIVIDEND ON 6.20\% NON-CUMULATIVE US DOLLAR PREFERENCE SHARES, SERIES A ('SERIES A DOLLAR PREFERENCE SHARES')

In 2005, 1,450,000 Series A Dollar Preference Shares were issued for a consideration of US\$1,000 each, and Series A American Depositary Shares, each of which represents one-fortieth of a Series A Dollar Preference Share, were listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

A non-cumulative fixed-rate dividend of $6.20 \%$ per annum is payable on the Series A Dollar Preference Shares on 17 March, 16 June, 15 September and 15 December 2014 for the quarter then ended at the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of HSBC Holdings plc. Accordingly, the Board of HSBC Holdings plc has declared a dividend of US $\$ 0.3875$ per Series A American Depositary Share for the quarter ending 17 March 2014.

The dividend will be payable on 17 March 2014 to holders of record on 28 February 2014.

Any person who has acquired Series A American Depositary Shares but who has not lodged the transfer documentation with the depositary should do so before 12 noon on 28 February 2014 in order to receive the dividend.

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## Note to editors:

## The HSBC Group

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