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HSBC TO SELL SB JSC HSBC BANK KAZAKHSTAN

HSBC Bank plc, a wholly owned subsidiary of HSBC Holdings plc ("HSBC"), has entered into an agreement to sell 100% of the share capital of SB JSC HSBC Bank Kazakhstan to JSC Halyk Bank for a consideration of US\$176m in cash, based upon a net asset value ("NAV") of US\$160m ("the Transaction").

The Transaction, which is subject to regulatory approvals and other conditions including customary adjustments relating to NAV at completion, is expected to complete during the fourth quarter of 2014. It represents further progress in the execution of HSBC Group strategy.

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Note to editors:

The HSBC Group

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