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HSBC HOLDINGS PLC
FIRST INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2014 AND
HSBC (FRANCE) PLAN D'EPARGNE

The Directors of HSBC Holdings plc have declared the first interim dividend for 2014 of US\$0.10 per ordinary share. The dividend is payable on 10 July 2014 to holders of record on 22 May 2014 on the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register and on 23 May 2014 on the Principal Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register.

27,302,240 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each have been allotted by HSBC Holdings plc to those shareholders who elected to receive the scrip dividend alternative.

An additional 1,763,449 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each have been allotted in connection with the HSBC (France), Plan d'Epargne, an employee share plan.

The shares will be issued on 10 July 2014 and will rank *pari passu* with the existing issued ordinary shares of the Company. Application has been made to the Financial Conduct 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 10 July 2014.

Ben J S Mathews
Group Company Secretary
HSBC Holdings plc

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