HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

FOURTH INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2015

On 22 February 2016, the Directors of HSBC Holdings plc declared the fourth interim dividend for 2015 of US\$0.21 per ordinary share. The dividend is payable on 20 April 2016 to holders of record on 4 March 2016 on the Principal Register in the United Kingdom or the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register. The dividend is payable in cash in United States dollars, sterling or Hong Kong dollars, or a combination of these currencies, and with a scrip dividend alternative.

Dividends payable in cash in Hong Kong dollars or sterling will be converted from United States dollars at the forward exchange rates quoted by HSBC Bank plc in London at or about 11.00 am on 11 April 2016 (US\$1=HK\$7.755940 and £1=US\$1.419800). Accordingly, the cash dividend payable on 20 April 2016 will be:

US\$0.21 per share;

approximately HK\$1.628747 per share; or

approximately £0.147908 per share.

For holders of American Depositary Shares ('ADSs'), each of which represents five ordinary shares, the cash dividend payable will be US\$1.05 per ADS. It will be paid on 20 April 2016. The dividend for participants in the dividend reinvestment plan, operated by the Bank of New York Mellon, will be invested in additional ADSs.

For and on behalf of **HSBC Holdings plc**

Ben J S Mathews Group Company Secretary