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**HSBC HOLDINGS PLC**  
**EARNINGS RELEASE FOR FIRST QUARTER 2016 AND**  
**FIRST INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2016**

Pursuant to Rule 13.43 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, notice is given that a meeting of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc will be held on Tuesday 3 May 2016 to consider the announcement of the Earnings Release for the First Quarter 2016 and the declaration of a first interim dividend for 2016.

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

Ben J S Mathews  
Group Company Secretary

The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement are: Douglas Flint, Stuart Gulliver, Phillip Ameen<sup>†</sup>, Kathleen Casey<sup>†</sup>, Laura Cha<sup>†</sup>, Henri de Castries<sup>†</sup>, Lord Evans of Weardale<sup>†</sup>, Joachim Faber<sup>†</sup>, Rona Fairhead<sup>†</sup>, Sam Laidlaw<sup>†</sup>, Irene Lee<sup>†</sup>, John Lipsky<sup>†</sup>, Rachel Lomax<sup>†</sup>, Iain Mackay, Heidi Miller<sup>†</sup>, Marc Moses, Sir Simon Robertson<sup>†</sup>, Jonathan Symonds<sup>†</sup>, Pauline van der Meer Mohr<sup>†</sup> and Paul Walsh<sup>†</sup>.

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