HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

21 March 2017

Transaction in own shares

HSBC Holdings plc (the **Company**) announces that it has purchased for cancellation the following number of its ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each on the London Stock Exchange from Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited (**Credit Suisse**) as part of its buyback announced on 22 February 2017.

Date of purchase:	21 March 2017
Number of ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each purchased:	4,200,000
Highest price paid per share:	£6.6350
Lowest price paid per share:	£6.5350
Volume weighted average price paid per share:	£6.5813

Following the cancellation of the repurchased shares, the Company will have 20,186,353,251 ordinary shares in issue, including 325,273,407 ordinary shares which are held in treasury. Therefore the total voting rights in HSBC Holdings plc will be 19,861,079,844. This figure for the total number of voting rights may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, HSBC Holdings plc under the FCA's Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules.

In accordance with Article 5(1)(b) of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 (the Market Abuse Regulation), a full breakdown of the individual trades is attached to this announcement.

http://www.rns-pdf.londonstockexchange.com/rns/1374A_1-2017-3-21.pdf

This announcement will also be available on HSBC's website at www.hsbc.com/sea

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