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HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

FOURTH INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2017

The Directors of HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company") have declared the fourth interim dividend for 2017 of US\$0.21 per ordinary share. The dividend is payable on 6 April 2018 to holders of record on 23 February 2018 on the Principal Register in the United Kingdom, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register.

39,256,458 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each will be allotted and issued on 6 April 2018 by the Company to those shareholders who elected to receive the scrip dividend alternative.

The shares will rank pari passu with the existing issued ordinary shares of the Company. Application will be 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 6 April 2018.

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 comprise: Mark Tucker*, John Flint, Phillip Ameen[†], Kathleen Casey[†], Laura Cha[†], Henri de Castries[†], Lord Evans of Weardale[†], Joachim Faber[†], Irene Lee[†], John Lipsky[†], Iain Mackay, Heidi Miller[†], Marc Moses, David Nish[†], Jonathan Symonds[†], Jackson Tai[†] and Pauline van der Meer Mohr[†].

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