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HSBC HOLDINGS PLC GRANT OF SHARE OPTIONS

This announcement is made pursuant to rule 17.06A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

On 21 September 2018, HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company") granted share options ("Options") to employees to subscribe for a total of 20,501,336 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each of the Company under the HSBC Holdings Savings-Related Share Option Plan. The following are the details of the grant:

Price at which the Options granted	Option Period	Number of shares under Option
GBP 5.4490	3 years	17,064,307
	5 years	3,437,029
Total number of options granted	20,501,336	
Closing price of the ordinary shares on the date of grant	GBP 6.8040	
Validity period of the Options	3 years, exercisable from 1 November 2021 to 30 April 2022 5 years, exercisable from 1 November 2023 to 30 April 2024	

Included in the above are options granted to a director of the Company as follows:

Name	Position	No. of Options	Price	Option Period
John Flint	Group Chief Executive	5,505	GBP 5.4490	5 years

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 comprises: Mark Tucker*, John Flint, Kathleen Casey†, Laura Cha†, Henri de Castries†, Lord Evans of Weardale†, Irene Lee†, Iain Mackay, Heidi Miller†, Marc Moses, David Nish†, Jonathan Symonds†, Jackson Tait and Pauline van der Meer Mohr†.

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