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Cash Dividend with Currency Option Announcement for Equity Issuer		
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Issuer name	HSBC Holdings plc	
Stock code	00005	
Multi-counter stock code and currency	Not applicable	
Other related stock code(s) and name(s)	Not applicable	
Title of announcement	First Interim Dividend for 2023	
Announcement date	02 May 2023	
Status	New announcement	
Information relating to the dividend		
Dividend type	First Quarter	
Dividend nature	Ordinary	
For the financial year end	31 December 2023	
Reporting period end for the dividend declared	31 December 2023	
Dividend declared	USD 0.1 per share	
Date of shareholders' approval	Not applicable	
Information relating to Hong Kong share register		
Default currency and amount in which the dividend will be paid	HKD amount to be announced	
Exchange rate	To be announced	
Amount in which the dividend will be paid in alternative currency 1	USD 0.1 per share	
Exchange rate for alternative currency 1	USD 1: USD 1	
Amount in which the dividend will be paid in alternative currency 2	GBP amount to be announced	
Exchange rate for alternative currency 2	To be announced	
Partial election of currency option	Yes	
Closing date and time for option election	08 June 2023 16:30	
Ex-dividend date	11 May 2023	
Latest time to lodge transfer documents for registration with share registrar for determining entitlement to the dividend	12 May 2023 16:00	
Book close period	Not applicable	
Record date	12 May 2023	
Payment date	23 June 2023	

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Share registrar and its address	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited	
	17th Floor, Hopewell Centre	
	183 Queen's Road East	
	Hong Kong	
Information relating to withholding tax		
Details of withholding tax applied to the dividend declared	Not applicable	
Information relating to listed warrants / convertible securities issued by the issuer		
Details of listed warrants / convertible securities issued by the issuer	Not applicable	

Other information

On 2 May 2023, the Directors approved a first interim dividend in respect of the financial year ending 31 December 2023 of USD0.10 per ordinary share. The first interim dividend for 2023 will be payable on 23 June 2023 to holders on the Principal Register in the UK, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register on 12 May 2023.

The first interim dividend will be payable in US dollars, or in pounds sterling or Hong Kong dollars at the forward exchange rates quoted by HSBC Bank plc in London at or about 11.00am on 12 June 2023, or a combination of these currencies. Particulars of these arrangements will be sent to shareholders on or about 19 May 2023 and changes to currency elections must be received by 8 June 2023. The ordinary shares in London, Hong Kong and Bermuda, and American Depositary Shares (ADSs) in New York will be quoted ex-dividend on 11 May 2023.

The first interim dividend will be payable on ADSs, each of which represents five ordinary shares, on 23 June 2023 to holders of record on 12 May 2023. The first interim dividend of USD0.50 per ADS will be payable by the depositary in US dollars. Alternatively, the cash dividend may be invested in additional ADSs by participants in the dividend reinvestment plan operated by the depositary, elections must be received by 2 June 2023.

Any person who has acquired ordinary shares registered on the Principal Register in the UK, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register but who has not lodged the share transfer with the Principal Registrar in the UK, Hong Kong or Bermuda Overseas Branch Registrar should do so before 4.00pm local time on 12 May 2023 in order to receive the first interim dividend for 2023.

Ordinary shares may not be removed from or transferred to the Principal Register in the UK, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Register on 12 May 2023. Any person wishing to remove ordinary shares to or from each register must do so before 4.00pm local time on 11 May 2023.

Transfers of ADSs must be lodged with the depositary by 11.00am on 12 May 2023 in order to receive the first interim dividend. ADS holders who receive a cash dividend will be charged a fee, which will be deducted by the depositary, of USD0.005 per ADS per cash dividend.

Directors of the issuer

The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement comprises:

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- † Independent non-executive Director

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