NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTS OF PERSON DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND/OR CONNECTED PERSONS

1. Name of the issuer

HSBC Holdings plc

2. Name of person discharging managerial responsibilities

Mr A A Flockhart

- 3. Name of connected person (if applicable to this transaction)
- 4. This notification relates to a transaction notified in accordance with DTR 3.1.4R(1)(a)
- 5. Description of shares (including class) or derivatives or other financial instruments relating to the shares of HSBC Holdings plc

US\$0.50 ordinary shares

6. State the nature of the transactions

Acquisition / award of conditional shares under the HSBC Share Plan

7. Number of shares, derivatives or financial instruments relating to shares acquired

109,470 shares

- $8.\ \mathrm{Number}$ of shares, derivatives or financial instruments relating to shares disposed
- 9. Price per share or value of transaction

Nil

- 10. Date and place of transaction
- 5 March 2007, London
- 11. Date issuer informed of transaction
- 8 March 2007

Name of contact and telephone number for queries

Nicola Black, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 2652

Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification

As above

Date of notification

9 March 2007