NOTIFICATION OF TRANSACTIONS OF PERSONS DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND/OR CONNECTED PERSONS

This notification relates to a transaction notified in accordance with DTR 3.1.2~R and 3.1.4~R (1)(a)

| 1 | Name of the issuer |
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| | HSBC Holdings plc |
| 2 | Name of the person discharging managerial responsibilities or, where applicable, the name of the person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities |
| | S T Gulliver, a person discharging managerial responsibilities |
| 3 | Description of shares (including class), debentures, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares |
| | US\$0.50 ordinary shares |
| 4 | State the nature of the transactions |
| | Disposal/Sale of a total of 120,755 shares to meet tax liability following the release of employee share plan awards over a total of 294,528 Shares and transfer of balance of 88,804 shares to S Gulliver and 84,969 shares to A F Gulliver, spouse of S T Gulliver. |
| 5 | Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired |
| | Nil |
| 6 | Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed |
| | 120,755 |
| 7 | Price per share or value of transactions |
| | £7.66 |
| 8 | Date and place of transactions |
| | 3 March 2008, London |
| 9 | Date issuer informed of transactions |
| | 5 March 2008 |
| 10 | Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification |
| | Nicola Black, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 2652 |
| 11 | Date of notification |
| | 6 March 2008 |