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
	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
	D D J John, 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 transaction
	Acquisition / Scrip Dividend
5	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired
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6	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed
	N/A
7	Price per share or value of transaction
	US\$15.2466
8	Date and place of transaction
	8 October 2008, London
9	Date issuer informed of transaction
	13 October 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
	13 October 2008