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
	Sir Brian Williamson, 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
	285
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	Total holding following notification
	24,496
11	Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification
	Nicola Black, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 2652
12	Date of notification
	14 October 2008