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
	V H C Cheng, 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
	Acquisition of an interest arising from an award of Restricted Shares under the HSBC Share Plan
5	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired
	416,662
6	Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed
	N/A
7	Price per share or value of transaction
	Nil
8	Date and place of transactions
	2 March 2009, London
9	Date issuer informed of transactions
	5 March 2009
10	Total holding following notification
	1,222,475
11	Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification
	Nicola Black, Assistant Group Company Secretary, 020 7991 2652
12	Date of notification
	5 March 2009