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 1 | Name of the issuer |
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| I | HSBC Holdings plc |
| v | Name of the person discharging managerial responsibilities or, where applicable, the name of the person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities |
| Ι | D J Flint, a person discharging managerial responsibilities |
| d | Description of shares (including class), debentures, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares |
| Ţ | US\$0.50 ordinary shares |
| 4 5 | State the nature of the transactions |
| i | i) Acquisition / scrip dividend on conditional awards under the HSBC Share Plan |
| į | ii) Acquisition / scrip dividend on shares held jointly with spouse in The Soggs No. 1 Settlement Trust |
| į | iii) Acquisition / reinvestment of dividend on HSBC Holdings UK Share Ownership Plan holding |
| j | iv) Acquisition / reinvestment of dividend in ISAs |
| | Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired |
| į | i) 5,122 |
| j | ii) 214 |
| į | iii) 14 |
| j | iv) 36 |
| | Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed |
| 1 | N/A |
| 7 | Price per share or value of transaction |
| j | i) and ii) US\$12.2112 |
| j | iii) £7.235 |
| į | iv) £7.15 |
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| 8 1 | Date and place of transaction |
| 1 | 13 January 2010, London |
| 9 1 | Date issuer informed of transaction |
| 1 | 18 January 2010 |

| 10 | Total holding following notification |
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| | 964,323 |
| 11 | Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification |
| | Peter Harvey, Senior Assistant Secretary, 020 7992 1401 |
| 12 | Date of notification |
| | 18 January 2010 |