HSBC Holdings plc 2009 Annual Report and Accounts

The Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2009 is now available on the Company's website, <u>www.hsbc.com</u>

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