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HSBC Holdings plc

Overseas Regulatory Announcement

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The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement comprises: Mark Tucker*, Noel Quinn, Laura Cha†, Henri de Castries†, James Anthony Forese†, Steven Guggenheimer†, Irene Lee†, José Antonio Meade Kuribreña†, Heidi Miller†, Eileen K Murray†, David Nish†, Ewen Stevenson, Jackson Tai† and Pauline van der Meer Mohr†.

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HSBC HOLDINGS PLC ISSUANCE OF SENIOR UNSECURED NOTES

HSBC Holdings plc has today issued US\$2,000,000,000 0.976% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2025 (the '2025 Notes') and US\$3,000,000,000 2.804% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2032 (the '2032 Notes' and, together with the 2025 Notes, the 'Notes') pursuant to an indenture dated 26 August 2009 (as amended or supplemented from time to time and as most recently amended and supplemented by a twenty-first supplemental indenture dated 24 May 2021).

Application will be made to list the Notes on the New York Stock Exchange.

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For and on behalf of
HSBC Holdings plc
Aileen Taylor
Group Company Secretary and Chief Governance Officer

Notes to editors:

1. HSBC Holdings plc

HSBC Holdings plc, the parent company of the HSBC Group, is headquartered in London. The HSBC Group serves customers worldwide from offices in 64 countries and territories in its geographical regions: Europe, Asia, North America, Latin America, and Middle East and North Africa. With assets of US\$2,958bn at 31 March 2021, HSBC is one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations.

2. The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement is:

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