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For the month of March
HSBC Holdings plc

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Fourth interim dividend for 2013

The Directors have declared a fourth interim dividend for 2013 of US\$0.19 per ordinary share. Information on the scrip dividend scheme and currencies in which shareholders may elect to have the cash dividend paid will be sent to shareholders on or about 25 March 2014. The timetable for the dividend is:

Announcement	24 February 2014
Shares quoted ex-dividend in London, Hong Kong, Paris and Bermuda	12 March 2014
ADSs quoted ex-dividend in New York	12 March 2014
Record date in Hong Kong	13 March 2014

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Record date in London, New York, Paris and Bermuda1	14 March 2014
Mailing of Annual Report and Accounts 2013 and/or Strategic Report 2013, Notice of Annual General Meeting and dividend documentation	25 March 2014
Final date for receipt by registrars of forms of election, Investor Centre electronic instructions and revocations of standing instructions for scrip dividends	15 April 2014
Exchange rate determined for payment of dividends in sterling and Hong Kong dollars	22 April 2014
Payment date: dividend warrants, new share certificates or transaction advices and notional tax vouchers mailed and shares credited to stock accounts in CREST	30 April 2014

1 Removals to and from the Overseas Branch register of shareholders in Hong Kong will not be permitted on this date.

Interim dividends for 2014

The Board has adopted a policy of paying quarterly interim dividends on the ordinary shares. Under this policy it is intended to have a pattern of three equal interim dividends with a variable fourth interim dividend. It is envisaged that the first interim dividend in respect of 2014 will be US\$0.10 per ordinary share.

Dividends are declared in US dollars and, at the election of the shareholder, paid in cash in one of, or in a combination of, US dollars, sterling and Hong Kong dollars, or, subject to the Board's determination that a scrip dividend is to be offered in respect of that dividend, may be satisfied in whole or in part by the issue of new shares in lieu of a cash dividend.

Shareholder profile

At 31 December 2013 the share register recorded the following details:

Ordinary shares held	Number of shareholders	Total shares held
1-100	36,671	1,085,236
101-400	29,459	7,226,259
401-500	7,506	3,397,827
501-1,000	31,360	22,984,271
1,001-5,000	70,724	166,667,452
5,001-10,000	18,439	130,183,641

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10,001-20,000	10,902	152,062,623
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20,001-50,000	6,611	202,833,471
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50,001-200,000	3,256	300,217,089
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200,001-500,000	706	221,550,972
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500,001 and above	1,063	17,621,798,198
.....		
Total	216,697	18,830,007,039
.....		

2013 Annual General Meeting

All resolutions considered at the 2013 Annual General Meeting held at 11.00am on 24 May 2013 at The Barbican Centre, London EC2 were passed on a poll as follows:

Resolution	For1		Against		Total		Withheld3
		%		%		%2	
1 To receive the Annual Report and Accounts for 2012	9,582,599,011	98.62	134,219,149	1.38	9,716,818,160	52.17	15,724,907
2 To approve the Directors' Remuneration Report for 2012 .	8,304,766,707	89.00	1,026,750,082	11.00	9,331,516,789	50.10	399,765,100
3 To elect or re-elect the following as Directors:							
(a).. S A Catz	9,705,465,619	99.87	12,747,527	0.13	9,718,213,146	52.18	15,960,825
.....							
(b).. L M L Cha	9,572,286,348	99.48	49,577,260	0.52	9,621,863,608	51.66	111,431,942
.....							
(c).. M K T Cheung	9,685,695,545	99.66	32,573,965	0.34	9,718,269,510	52.18	15,908,254
.....							
(d).. J Comey.....	9,705,606,332	99.87	12,578,071	0.13	9,718,184,403	52.18	15,972,535
(e).. J D Coombe.....	9,480,244,194	97.55	237,837,940	2.45	9,718,082,134	52.17	15,955,253
(f)... J Faber.....	9,696,534,776	99.78	21,625,814	0.22	9,718,160,590	52.17	15,973,448
(g).. R A Fairhead.....	9,663,011,443	99.46	52,731,976	0.54	9,715,743,419	52.16	18,424,393
(h).. R Fassbind.....	9,704,174,178	99.86	13,994,077	0.14	9,718,168,255	52.17	15,963,055
	9,501,654,886	97.92	201,964,145	2.08	9,703,619,031	52.10	30,545,606

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(i)... D J Flint.....								
(j)... S T Gulliver.....	9,688,105,732	99.70	29,297,560	0.30	9,717,403,292	52.17	16,759,939	
(k).. J W J Hughes-Hallett.....	9,671,525,325	99.55	43,259,963	0.45	9,714,785,288	52.16	19,360,574	
(l)... W S H Laidlaw.....	9,631,950,561	99.64	34,439,677	0.36	9,666,390,238	51.90	67,764,178	
(m). J P Lipsky.....	9,695,295,317	99.76	22,865,509	0.24	9,718,160,826	52.17	15,882,750	
(n).. J R Lomax.....	9,675,152,284	99.56	43,120,545	0.44	9,718,272,829	52.18	15,880,430	
(o).. I J Mackay.....	9,681,451,307	99.62	36,645,895	0.38	9,718,097,202	52.17	15,979,019	
(p).. Sir Simon Robertson	9,561,469,393	99.37	60,350,649	0.63	9,621,820,042	51.66	111,440,980	
4 To reappoint the Auditor at remuneration to be determined by the Group Audit Committee .	9,441,326,833	97.86	206,449,570	2.14	9,647,776,403	51.80	86,358,827	
5 To authorise the Directors to allot shares	9,456,469,654	97.32	260,668,567	2.68	9,717,138,221	52.17	17,007,896	
6 To disapply pre-emption rights (Special Resolution)	9,524,207,114	98.03	191,306,185	1.97	9,715,513,299	52.16	18,654,074	
7 To authorise the Company to purchase its own shares	9,538,869,292	99.15	81,838,761	0.85	9,620,708,053	51.65	111,077,756	
8 To approve general meetings (other than annual general meetings) being called on 14 clear days' notice (Special Resolution)	8,610,798,049	88.61	1,106,498,079	11.39	9,717,296,128	52.17	16,736,806	

1 Includes discretionary votes.

2 Percentage of Issued Share Capital voted.

3 A 'Vote Withheld' is not a 'vote' in law and is not counted in the calculation of the votes 'For' and 'Against' the resolution.

Interim Management Statements and Interim Results

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Interim Management Statements are expected to be issued on or around 7 May 2014 and 3 November 2014. The Interim Results for the six months to 30 June 2014 are expected to be issued on 4 August 2014.

Shareholder enquiries and communications

Enquiries

Any enquiries relating to shareholdings on the share register, for example transfers of shares, change of name or address, lost share certificates or dividend cheques, should be sent to the Registrars at the address given below. The Registrars offer an online facility, Investor Centre, which enables shareholders to manage their shareholding electronically.

Principal Register:	Hong Kong Overseas Branch Register:	Bermuda Overseas Branch Register:
Computershare Investor Services PLC The Pavilions Bridgwater Road Bristol BS99 6ZZ United Kingdom Telephone: 44 (0) 870 702 0137 Email via website: www.investorcentre.co.uk/contactus Investor Centre: www.investorcentre.co.uk	Computershare Hong Kong Investor Services Limited Rooms 1712-1716, 17th Floor Hopewell Centre 183 Queen's Road East Hong Kong Telephone: 852 2862 8555 Email: hsbc.ecom@computershare.com.hk Investor Centre: www.investorcentre.com/hk	Investors Relations Team HSBC Bank Bermuda Limited 6 Front Street Hamilton HM 11 Bermuda Telephone: 1 441 299 6737 Email: hbbm.shareholder.services@hsbc.bm Investor Centre: www.investorcentre.com/bm

Any enquiries relating to ADSs should be sent to the depositary:

The Bank of New York Mellon
Depositary Receipts
PO Box 43006
Providence, RI 02940-3006
USA
Telephone (US): 1 877 283 5786
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Email: shrrelations@bnymellon.com
Website: www.bnymellon.com/shareowner

Any enquiries relating to shares held through Euroclear France, the settlement and central depository system for NYSE Euronext Paris, should be sent to the paying agent:

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103, avenue des Champs Elysées
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France
Telephone: 33 1 40 70 22 56
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Further copies of this Annual Report and Accounts 2013 may be obtained by writing to the following departments:

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Chinese translation

A Chinese translation of this Annual Report and Accounts 2013 is available upon request after 25 March 2014 from the Registrars:

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Please also contact the Registrars if you wish to receive Chinese translations of future documents or if you have received a Chinese translation of this document and do not wish to receive such translations in future.

Stock symbols

HSBC Holdings ordinary shares trade under the following stock symbols:

London Stock Exchange	HSBA	Euronext Paris	HSB
Hong Kong Stock Exchange	5	Bermuda Stock Exchange	HSBC.BH
New York Stock Exchange (ADS)	HSBC		

Investor relations

Enquiries relating to HSBC's strategy or operations may be directed to:

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Where more information about HSBC is available

This Annual Report and Accounts 2013, and other information on HSBC, may be viewed on HSBC's website: www.hsbc.com.

Reports, statements and information that HSBC Holdings files with the Securities and Exchange Commission are available at www.sec.gov. Investors can also request hard copies of these documents upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the SEC at the Office of Investor Education and Advocacy, 100 F Street N.E., Washington, DC 20549-0123 or by emailing PublicInfo@sec.gov. Investors should call the Commission at (202) 551 8090 if they require further assistance. Investors may also obtain the reports and other information that HSBC Holdings files at www.nyse.com (telephone number (1) 212 656 3000).

HM Treasury has transposed the requirements set out under CRD IV and issued the Capital Requirements Country-by-Country Reporting Regulations 2013, effective 1 January 2014. The legislation will require HSBC Holdings to publish additional information, in respect of the year ended 31 December 2013, by 1 July 2014. This information will be available at the time on HSBC's website: www.hsbc.com.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HSBC Holdings plc

By:

Name: Ben J S Mathews

Title: Group Company Secretary

Date: 25 March 2014