

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
Form 6-K  
April 01, 2010

**FORM 6-K**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of April

**HSBC Holdings plc**

42<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, England

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F).

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Yes.....  No

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**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**  
P A Thurston, 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 transaction**  
Sale of 14,706 ordinary shares by the Trustees of the HSBC Share Plan to meet the tax liability following the vesting of Restricted Share awards under the Plan of 38,971 ordinary shares and transfer of 24,265 ordinary shares by the Trustees of the Plan to P A Thurston.
- 5 Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired**  
24,265
- 6 Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed**  
14,706
- 7 Price per share sold**  
£6.7422(volume weighted average price)
- 8 Date and place of transaction**  
30-31 March 2010, London
- 9 Date issuer informed of transaction**  
1 April 2010
- 10 Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification**  
Louisa Jenkinson, Senior Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 0593
- 11 Date of notification**  
1 April 2010

#### 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: P A Stafford

Title: Assistant Group

Secretary

Date: 01 April, 2010