

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC
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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 March
HSBC Holdings plc

42nd Floor, 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, England

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Yes..... No

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Notification of Transactions by Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibilities ("PDMRs") and Connected Persons

This announcement is made in accordance with DTR 3.1.2 R and 3.1.4 R(1)(a).

Group Performance Share Plan

Deferred awards under the Group Performance Share Plan ("GPSP Awards") of US\$0.50 ordinary shares (the "Shares") in HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company") were granted in 2011 as a part of variable pay for the performance year ended 31 December 2010.

The GPSP Awards have now vested. The Shares must be retained while the individual is employed by HSBC. The GPSP Awards were determined by assessing performance against financial and non-financial metrics, as detailed in the Directors' remuneration report in the 2010 annual report and accounts.

Directors

| Name | Total number of Shares released | Additional Shares issued in lieu of the 2015 4th interim dividend ¹ | Shares sold to cover withholding tax at £4.5210 per Share | Shares vested (net) |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|
| Stuart Gulliver | 498,322 | 16,030 | 234,212 | 264,110 |
| Iain Mackay | 139,318 | 4,482 | 65,480 | 73,838 |
| Marc Moses | 129,351 | 4,161 | 60,795 | 68,556 |

Other PDMRs

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|----------------|---------------------------------|--|---|---------------------|
| Samir Assaf | 43,046 | 1,385 | 17,750 | 25,296 |
| Peter Boyles | 21,404 | 688 | 7,856 | 13,548 |
| Patrick Burke | 9,895 | 318 | 5,524 | 4,371 |
| John Flint | 10,178 | 327 | 4,784 | 5,394 |
| Antonio Simoes | 32,905 | 1,059 | 14,369 | 18,536 |
| Peter Wong | 123,708 | 3,980 | 18,557 | 105,151 |

¹ At USD6.3185 per Share being the average closing price of the Company's Shares on the London Stock Exchange between 22 and 26 February 2016 converted into USD.

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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: 16 March 2016