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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, 2006

HSBC Holdings plc

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NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

Section 198 - Companies Act 1985

The Company was notified on 28 March 2006 that Barclays PLC, had a notifiable interest as at 23 March 2006 in 480,621,192 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each in HSBC Holdings plc, representing approximately 4.23% of the ordinary shares in issue.

A copy of the letter of notification, including a list of the registered holders of the shares where known, is quoted below.

P A Stafford  
Assistant Secretary  
HSBC Holdings plc

Letter to HSBC Holdings plc from Geoff Smith, Manager, Secretarial Services,  
Group Corporate Secretariat, Barclays PLC

"Dear Sir

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Companies Act 1985 ("The Act") - Part VI

I hereby inform you that as at 23 March 2006 Barclays PLC, through the legal entities listed on the attached schedule, has a notifiable interest in the capital of your Company of 4.23%.

Details of this interest, together with a breakdown between registered holders (as required by Section 202(3) of the Act), are enclosed.

The issued capital of 11,370,039,863 is the latest figure available to us. If this is incorrect please let me know.

If you have any questions arising from this letter, please contact me on 020 7116 2913.

Yours faithfully

Geoff Smith

Enc."

### LEGAL ENTITY REPORT

HSBC HLDGS

SEDOL : 0540528

As at 23 March 2006 Barclays PLC, through the legal entities listed below, had a notifiable interest in 480,621,192 ORD USD0.50(UK REG) representing 4.23% of the issued share capital of 11,370,039,863 units

| Legal Entity                                    | Holding     | Percentage Held |
|---|-------------|-----------------|
| Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd             | 6,564       | 0.0001          |
| Barclays Life Assurance Co Ltd                  | 19,444,516  | 0.1710          |
| Barclays Global Fund Advisors                   | 32,385,975  | 0.2848          |
| Barclays Global Investors Ltd                   | 145,165,146 | 1.2767          |
| Barclays Bank PLC                               | 110,000,000 | 0.9675          |
| Barclays Bank Trust Company Ltd                 | 272,687     | 0.0024          |
| Barclays Capital Securities Ltd                 | 4,148,668   | 0.0365          |
| Barclays Private Bank Ltd                       | 2,344,833   | 0.0206          |
| Barclays Global Investors, N.A.                 | 126,815,875 | 1.1154          |
| Gerrard Ltd                                     | 16,826,668  | 0.1480          |
| Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd             | 631,356     | 0.0056          |
| Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd             | 10,600      | 0.0001          |
| Barclays Global Investors Canada Ltd            | 751,668     | 0.0066          |
| Barclays Private Bank and Trust Ltd             | 17,343      | 0.0002          |
| Barclays Global Investors Japan Ltd             | 4,512,127   | 0.0397          |
| Barclays Global Investors Australia Ltd         | 4,352,168   | 0.0383          |
| Barclays Global Investors Japan Trust & Banking | 12,934,998  | 0.1138          |
| Group Holding                                   | 480,621,192 | 4.2273          |

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## REGISTERED HOLDERS REPORT

HSBC HLDGS

SEDOL: 0540528

As at 23 March 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 480,621,192 ORD USD0.50 (UK REG) representing 4.23% of the issued share capital of 11,370,039,863 units.

| Registered Holder                                  | Account Designation | Holding      |
|--|---------------------|--------------|
| BANK OF IRELAND                                    | 426353              | 172,606      |
| BANK OF IRELAND                                    | 426360              | 75,747       |
| BANK OF NEW YORK                                   |                     | 797,946      |
| Barclays Bank PLC (Singapore)                      |                     | 6,564        |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED                  |                     | 295,591,962  |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED                  |                     | -294,835,528 |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED                  |                     | 7,177,524    |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED                  |                     | -6,942,710   |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMITED                  |                     | 110,000,000  |
| Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.                   |                     | 3,157,420    |
| Barclays Global Investors Canada                   |                     | 751,668      |
| Barclays Trust Co & Others                         |                     | 20,961       |
| BARCLAYS TRUST CO AS EXEC/ADM C 000000000000000000 |                     | 10,956       |
| Barclays Trust Co DMC69 C 000000000000000000       |                     | 32,400       |
| Barclays Trust Co E99 C 000000000000000000         |                     | 16,000       |
| Barclays Trust Co R69 C 000000000000000000         |                     | 192,370      |
| BNP PARIBAS  |                     | 612,853      |
| CHASE NOMINEES LTD                                 | 16376               | 5,899,097    |
| CHASE NOMINEES LTD                                 | 20947               | 47,754,703   |
| CHASE NOMINEES LTD                                 | 28270               | 786,918      |
| CHASE NOMINEES LTD                                 | 28270               | 3,595,924    |
| CIBC MELLON GLOBAL SECURITIES                      |                     | 406,534      |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 3025101             | 5,600        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 32349601            | 7,589        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 32401801            | 2,078        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 32408501            | 3,700        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 32449201            | 21,638       |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 49699401            | 7,500        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 52051801            | 11,719       |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59396501            | 3,141        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59419801            | 1,237        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59441401            | 14,665       |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59553401            | 4,769        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59571201            | 2,186        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59580101            | 3,859        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59710301            | 2,105        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59732401            | 7,045        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59737501            | 6,478        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59738301            | 8,192        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 59744801            | 4,121        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 60741901            | 3,000        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 63919101            | 2,430        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 63921301            | 1,725        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 64544201            | 5,749        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 65136101            | 2,307        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 66860401            | 1,980        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 67940101            | 30,974       |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 68640801            | 8,200        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 69108801            | 2,795        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 69238601            | 6,967        |
| Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125                        | 69296301            | 9,300        |

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| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69303001  | 5,319  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69326901  | 7,000  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69340401  | 2,000  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69390001  | 3,191  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69402801  | 1,794  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69447801  | 4,635  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69451601  | 2,910  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69720501  | 2,000  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69721301  | 2,700  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69732901  | 18,754 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69738801  | 2,244  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69751501  | 3,048  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69766301  | 13,992 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69770101  | 2,007  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69771001  | 58,410 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 69772801  | 58,410 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70295001  | 2,234  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70314001  | 2,258  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70331001  | 2,075  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70335301  | 4,720  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70339601  | 2,814  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70387601  | 2,009  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70388401  | 2,890  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 70391401  | 2,022  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 80750701  | 12,509 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 80766301  | 2,807  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 83011801  | 3,214  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 86680501  | 2,918  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 88608301  | 2,633  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 88736501  | 2,730  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 100146401 | 500    |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 120010601 | 11,665 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 120142001 | 16,389 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 300000001 | 3,114  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310007101 | 5,776  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310042001 | 3,430  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310092601 | 7,537  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310128001 | 3,807  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310186801 | 2,352  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310205801 | 2,264  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310231701 | 2,368  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310246501 | 21,750 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310254601 | 4,635  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310255401 | 20,741 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310266001 | 1,920  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310311901 | 3,172  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310589801 | 1,300  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310590101 | 1,523  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 310594401 | 3,000  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 700009301 | 3,208  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 700066201 | 2,931  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 700069701 | 18,860 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 700083201 | 2,112  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0125 | 700106501 | 2,575  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 48401502  | 4,821  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 59579802  | 4,273  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 59727802  | 21,951 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 67355102  | 966    |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 69396002  | 3,157  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 70160102  | 5,261  |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 70383302  | 11,884 |
| Clydesdale Nominees | HGB0225 | 87093402  | 3,537  |

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| Clydesdale Nominees                    | HGB0225 | 120147102 | 453        |
| Clydesdale Nominees                    | HGB0325 | 70309403  | 2,291      |
| Clydesdale Nominees                    | HGB0325 | 87093403  | 2,137      |
| Clydesdale Nominees                    | HGB0625 | 100376906 | 5,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 602133    | 1,250      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 603216    | 1,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 603856    | 1,250      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 608459    | 300        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 610720    | 1,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 611717    | 6,500      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 615411    | 1,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 620404    | 600        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 622124    | 1,500      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 629038    | 350        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 630871    | 1,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 631118    | 17,200     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 633484    | 1,200      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 635860    | 1,800      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 637739    | 600        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 639311    | 2,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 639353    | 900        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 640824    | 7,900      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 642367    | 6,300      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 642686    | 600        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 643975    | 4,500      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 647291    | 2,300      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 650668    | 4,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 652198    | 19,500     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 653035    | 3,300      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 654151    | 2,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 658574    | 2,500      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 658729    | 1,400      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 659442    | 1,750      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 659481    | 800        |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 659792    | 1,370      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660137    | 1,640      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660302    | 3,500      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660318    | 48,000     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660430    | 1,040      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660632    | 2,100      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660758    | 16,500     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660851    | 14,000     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 660968    | 9,630      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 768557    | 9,000      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 770101    | 21,590     |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 774160    | 1,400      |
| Gerrard Nominees Limited               |         | 781271    | 7,000      |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1) |         |           | 1,225,113  |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)     |         | 126066DA  | 3,100      |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)     |         | 220805DN  | 255,000    |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)     |         | 523475DN  | 220,000    |
| Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)     |         | 562979DN  | 25,500     |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 77,574     |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 167,071    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 12,120,006 |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 3,293,411  |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 111,691    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 2,591,250  |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 180,877    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 105,376    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 2,039,513  |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.           |         |           | 1,055,019  |

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| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 20,527,355 |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 678,842    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 8,414,125  |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 249,424    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 345,156    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 57,800,620 |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 26,152,120 |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 321,190    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 2,452,840  |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 643,440    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.       |       | 2,816,385  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16331 | 3,082,954  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16338 | 674,823    |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16341 | 1,816,569  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16341 | 6,237,382  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16342 | 1,432,033  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16344 | 607,390    |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16345 | 1,019,990  |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 16400 | 90,747,094 |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 17011 | 190,533    |
| JP MORGAN (BGI CUSTODY)            | 18408 | 515,899    |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK                |       | 1,051,677  |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK                |       | 3,300,491  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 106,784    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,530,289  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 76,769     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 64,258     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,219,107  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 578,384    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 92,806     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 313,726    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,161,699  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,616,058  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 6,162,329  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 12,789     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 705,510    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 75,244     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 115,286    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,193,489  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 1,247,849  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 657,587    |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank                |       | 86,885     |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK                |       | 358,571    |
| Master Trust Bank                  |       | 89,564     |
| Mellon Trust - US CUSTODIAN /      |       | 985,848    |
| Mellon Trust - US CUSTODIAN /      |       | 880,279    |
| MELLON TRUST OF NEW ENGLAND        |       | 978,246    |
| Mitsubishi Trust International     |       | 56,941     |
| Mitsui Asset                       |       | 145,321    |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA     |       | 339,961    |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA     |       | 1,318,643  |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA     |       | 1,455,732  |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited         |       | 9,649,385  |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1 |       | 3,041,273  |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1 |       | 622,365    |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1 | RES   | 465        |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1 |       | 257,308    |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1     |       | 869,692    |
| R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1     |       | 424,397    |
| Reflex Nominees Limited            |       | 9,366      |
| Reflex Nominees Limited            |       | 7,977      |
| STATE STREET BANK & TRUST - WI     |       | 1,029,233  |

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| STATE STREET BOSTON            | 6,307,017   |
| STATE STREET TRUST OF CANADA - | 926,765     |
| Sumitomo TB                    | 28,115      |
| The Northern Trust Company - U | 660,937     |
| Trust & Custody Services Bank  | 110,336     |
| ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED         | 2,344,833   |
| Total                          | 480,621,192 |

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: 29 March, 2006