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November 28, 2006

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 November, 2006

HSBC Holdings plc

42nd 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

(If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- .....) )

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

Section 198 - Companies Act 1985

The Company was notified on 28 November 2006 that Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. no longer had a notifiable interest the ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each in HSBC Holdings plc.

A copy of the letter of the notification is quoted below.

P A Stafford  
Deputy Group Company Secretary  
HSBC Holdings plc

Letter to HSBC Holdings plc dated 28 November 2006 from - Merrill Lynch International

"Dear Sir

Companies Act 1985 ss 198-202 (as amended)

We wish to notify you, by reason of the provisions of section 203 of the above

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Act, that the companies, the names and addresses of which are set out in the Schedule to this letter no longer have a notifiable interest as previously disclosed by us and we should be grateful if you would treat this letter as making such disclosure on its behalf.

If you have any queries regarding the contents of this letter, please contact Alasdair Coutts-Britton on 020-7996-3565, Facsimile 020-7996-1174.

Yours faithfully

(Signed)  
Duly authorised for and on behalf  
Of the notifying companies

### Schedule

#### Part 1

| Name  | Address                                   |
|---|---|
| BlackRock Investment<br>Management (UK) Limited | 33 King William Street<br>London EC4R 9AS |

#### Part 2

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. | World Financial Center<br>North Tower<br>250 Vesey Street<br>New York<br>NY 10281-1332" |
|---------------------------|---|

### 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: 28 November, 2006