

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
Form 6-K  
November 23, 2016

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

HSBC Holdings plc

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(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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Yes..... No

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ISSUANCE OF SENIOR NOTES

On 23 November 2016, HSBC Holdings plc issued US\$1,500,000,000 Subordinated Notes due 2026 pursuant to its subordinated debt indenture dated 12 March 2014 (as amended or supplemented from time to time), as amended and supplemented by a third supplemental indenture dated 23 November 2016 (the 'New Notes').

Application has been made to list the New Notes on the New York Stock Exchange.

Notes to editors:

HSBC Holdings plc

HSBC Holdings plc, the parent company of the HSBC Group, is headquartered in London. The Group serves customers worldwide from around 4,400 offices in 71 countries and territories in Europe, Asia, North and Latin America, and the Middle East and North Africa. With assets of US\$2,557bn at 30 September 2016, HSBC is one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations.

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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: 22 November 2016