

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
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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 October

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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2 October 2018

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THIRD INTERIM DIVIDEND FOR 2018

On 2 October 2018, the Directors declared a third interim dividend in respect of 2018 of \$0.10 per ordinary share. The ordinary shares in London, Hong Kong, Paris and Bermuda and the American Depositary Shares ('ADSs') in New York will be quoted ex-dividend on 11 October 2018. The dividend will be payable on 21 November 2018 to holders of record on 12 October 2018.

The dividend will be payable in US dollars, sterling or Hong Kong dollars, or a combination of these currencies, at the forward exchange rates quoted by HSBC Bank plc in London at or about 11.00am on 12 November 2018. A scrip dividend will also be offered. Particulars of these arrangements will be sent to shareholders on or about 24 October 2018 and elections must be received by 8 November 2018.

The dividend will be payable on ordinary shares held through Euroclear France, the settlement and central depository system for Euronext Paris, on 21 November 2018 to the holders of record on 12 October 2018. The dividend will be payable in US dollars or as a scrip dividend. Particulars of these arrangements will be announced through Euronext Paris on 5 October 2018, 19 October 2018 and 22 November 2018.

The dividend will be payable on ADSs, each of which represents five ordinary shares, on 21 November 2018 to holders of record on 12 October 2018. The dividend of \$0.50 per ADS will be payable by the depository in US dollars or as a scrip dividend of new ADSs. Elections must be received by the depository on or before 1 November 2018. Alternatively, the cash dividend may be invested in additional ADSs by participants in the dividend reinvestment plan operated by the depository.

Any person who has acquired ordinary shares registered on the Principal register in the UK, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch register but who has not lodged the share transfer with the Principal Registrar, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch Registrar or the Bermuda Overseas Branch Registrar should do so before 4.00pm local time on 12 October 2018 in order to receive the dividend.

Ordinary shares may not be removed from or transferred to the Principal register in the UK, the Hong Kong Overseas Branch register or the Bermuda Overseas Branch register on 12 October 2018. Any person wishing to remove ordinary shares to or from each register must do so before 4.00pm local time on 11 October 2018.

Transfers of ADSs must be lodged with the depository by 11.00am local time on 12 October 2018 in order to receive the dividend.

DIVIDEND ON PREFERENCE SHARES

A quarterly dividend of \$15.50 per 6.20% non-cumulative US Dollar Preference Share, Series A ("Series A Dollar Preference Share"), (equivalent to a dividend of \$0.3875 per Series A American Depositary Share ("ADS")), each of which represents one-fortieth of a Series A Dollar Preference Share), and £0.01 per Series A Sterling Preference share is payable on 15 March, 15 June, 15 September and 15 December 2018 for the quarter then ended at the sole and absolute discretion of the Board of HSBC Holdings plc.

Accordingly, the Board of HSBC Holdings plc has declared a quarterly dividend be payable on 17 December 2018 to holders of record on 30 November 2018.

For and on behalf of  
HSBC Holdings plc

Ben J S Mathews  
Group Company Secretary

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: 02 October 2018