

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 September  
HSBC Holdings plc

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Yes.....  No

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24 September 2014

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## HSBC HOLDINGS PLC

## GRANT OF SHARE OPTIONS

This announcement is made pursuant to rule 17.06A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

On 23 September 2014 HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company") granted share options ("Options") to employees to subscribe for a total of 28,688,703 ordinary shares of US\$0.50 each of the Company under the savings-related share option plan adopted on 27 May 2005. The following are the details of the grant:

Price at which the Options granted	Option Period	Number of shares under Option
GBP5.1887	3 years	18,553,870
	5 years	10,134,833

Total number of options granted 28,688,703

Closing price of the ordinary shares on the date of grant GBP6.5170

Validity period of the Options	3 years, exercisable from 1 Nov 2017 to 1 May 2018
	5 years, exercisable from 1 Nov 2019 to 1 May 2020

Included in the above are options granted to directors of the Company as follows:

Name	Position	No. of Options	Price	Option Period
Douglas Flint	Group Chairman	2,919	GBP5.1887	5 years
Iain Mackay	Group Finance Director	3,469	GBP5.1887	3 years

By order of the Board  
Ben J S Mathews  
Group Company Secretary

The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement are: Douglas Flint, Stuart Gulliver, Kathleen Casey†, Safra Catz†, Laura Cha†, Sir Jonathan Evans†, Joachim Faber†, Rona Fairhead†, Sam Laidlaw†, John Lipsky†, Rachel Lomax†, Iain Mackay, Heidi Miller†, Marc Moses, Sir Simon Robertson† and Jonathan Symonds†.

† Independent non-executive Director

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: 24 September 2014