

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
Form 6-K  
September 29, 2017

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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The following is the text of an announcement released to the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited on 29 September 2017 pursuant to rule 13.51(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited:

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HSBC Holdings plc (the "Company")

#### Retirement of Chairman

As announced on 12 March 2017, Mark Tucker will succeed Douglas Flint as Group Chairman of the Company on 1 October 2017. Douglas Flint will retire from the Board of the Company on 30 September 2017. In accordance with 13.51(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, the Company confirms that there are no further matters which need to be brought to the attention of shareholders of the Company in connection with Douglas Flint's retirement from the Board.

For and on behalf of the Board

Ben J S Mathews  
Group Company Secretary  
29 September 2017

The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement are: Douglas Flint, Stuart Gulliver, Phillip Ameen†, Kathleen Casey†, Laura Cha†, Henri de Castries†, Lord Evans of Weardale†, Joachim Faber†, Irene Lee†, John Lipsky†, Iain Mackay, Heidi Miller†, Marc Moses, David Nish†, Jonathan Symonds†, Jackson Tai†, Mark Tucker† and Pauline van der Meer Mohr†.

† Independent non-executive Director

Hong Kong Stock Code: 5

#### 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: 29 September 2017