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For the month of April

HSBC Holdings plc

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CHANGE OF GROUP COMPANY SECRETARY

HSBC Holdings plc (the 'Company') has today announced the appointment of Richard Gray as Group Company Secretary from 19 April 2019 on an interim basis, replacing Ben Mathews who has resigned with effect from 18 April 2019.

Richard joined HSBC in 2008 and is currently the General Counsel for Businesses and Regions of HSBC. He is a qualified solicitor both in the UK and Hong Kong.

HSBC's Group Chairman, Mark Tucker, said:

"I am delighted that Richard has agreed to accept the role of interim Group Company Secretary whilst we finalise arrangements for a permanent appointment. I am confident that his experience, enthusiasm and deep knowledge of the Group will be invaluable as we continue to work to simplify, clarify and strengthen the Group's governance and until a permanent appointment is made.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Ben Mathews for his valuable contribution since his appointment as Group Company Secretary in 2013."

An announcement will be made regarding the permanent successor in due course.

For and on behalf of  
HSBC Holdings plc

Mark E Tucker  
Group Chairman

The Board of Directors of HSBC Holdings plc as at the date of this announcement comprises:  
Mark Tucker\*, John Flint, Kathleen Casey†, Laura Cha†, Henri de Castries†, Irene Lee†, José Meade†, Heidi Miller†, Marc Moses, David Nish†, Ewen Stevenson, Jonathan Symonds†, Jackson Tai† and Pauline van der Meer Mohr†.

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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: 18 April 2019