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## HSBC HOLDINGS PLC ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF ITS TENDER OFFERS FOR FOUR SERIES OF NOTES

HSBC Holdings plc (the 'Company,' 'we' or 'us') today announces the results of its previously announced four separate offers to purchase for cash any and all of the outstanding series of notes listed in the table below. We refer to the outstanding notes listed in the table below collectively as the 'Notes' and separately as a 'series' of Notes. We refer to each offer to purchase a series of Notes as an 'Offer', and collectively as the 'Offers.'

The Offers were made upon the terms and were subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase dated May 8, 2024 relating to the Notes (the 'Offer to Purchase') and the related notice of guaranteed delivery (together with the Offer to Purchase, the 'Offer Documents'), including the Maximum Tender Amount Condition and the New Issue Condition (each as defined in the Offer Documents). The Offer Documents are available at the following link: <a href="https://www.gbsc-usa.com/hsbc/">https://www.gbsc-usa.com/hsbc/</a>.

The Offers expired at 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on May 14, 2024 (the 'Expiration Time'). References to '\$' are to U.S. dollars.

Acceptance Priority Level	Title of Notes	CUSIP	Maturity Date	First Optional Redemption Date	Principal Amount Outstanding	Principal Amount Tendered <sup>(1)</sup>	Principal Amount Accepted <sup>(1)</sup>	Aggregate Consideration <sup>(2)</sup>
1	3.900% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2026	404280BB4	May 25, 2026	N/A	\$2,500,000,000	\$951,660,000.00	\$951,660,000.00	\$931,180,276.80
2	4.300% Senior Unsecured Notes due 2026	404280AW9	March 8, 2026	N/A	\$3,000,000,000	\$1,246,557,000.00	\$1,246,557,000.00	\$1,230,887,778.51
3	1.589% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2027	404280CM9	May 24, 2027	May 24, 2026	\$2,000,000,000	\$1,467,531,000.00	\$1,467,531,000.00	\$1,364,994,609.03
4	2.251% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2027	404280CX5	November 22, 2027	November 22, 2026	\$2,500,000,000	\$1,571,035,000.00	\$1,571,035,000.00	\$1,460,292,742.85
							Total Consideration	\$4,987,355,407.19

<sup>(1)</sup> These amounts include the principal amount of Notes for which holders have complied with the Guaranteed Delivery Procedures (as defined in the Offer Documents). Such amounts remain subject to the Guaranteed Delivery Procedures. Notes tendered pursuant to the Guaranteed Delivery Procedures are required to be tendered at or prior to 5:00 p.m. (New York Citytime) on May 16, 2024, unless extended or earlier terminated in respect of an Offer by the Company in its sole discretion.

(2) These amounts do not include Accrued Interest (as defined below).

The Company was advised by the Information Agent (as defined below), that as of the Expiration Time, the aggregate principal amount of each series of Notes specified in the table above were validly tendered and not validly withdrawn. The table above provides the aggregate principal amount of each series of Notes that the Company has accepted in the Offers on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer Documents (including satisfaction of the Guaranteed Delivery Procedures).

The Company's obligation to complete an Offer with respect to a particular series of Notes was conditioned on satisfaction of the Maximum Tender Amount Condition and the New Issue Condition (each as defined in the Offer Documents). The 'Maximum Tender Amount' for the purposes of the Maximum Tender Amount Condition is \$5,000,000,000.

The Company announces that the Maximum Tender Amount Condition has been satisfied with respect to all series of Notes.

On May 8, 2024, the Company priced \$1,850,000,000 5.597% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2028 (the '2028 Notes') and \$1,400,000,000 5.733% Fixed Rate/Floating Rate Senior Unsecured Notes due 2032 (the '2032 Notes' and, together with the 2028 Notes, the 'New Notes'). Assuming the successful settlement of the New Notes on the settlement date of the Proposed Issuance, the New Issue Condition will be satisfied and payment of the applicable Consideration (as defined in the Offer to Purchase) for all Notes validly tendered and accepted by us pursuant to the Offers will be made on May 17, 2024 (the 'Settlement Date'). In addition to the Consideration, holders whose Notes of a given series are accepted for purchase will also be paid a cash amount equal to the accrued and unpaid interest on such Notes from, and including, the last interest payment date for such Notes to, but not including, the Settlement Date, rounded to the nearest cent (such amount in respect of a series of Notes, 'Accrued Interest'). Accrued Interest will be payable on the Settlement Date. For the avoidance of doubt, interest will cease to accrue on the Settlement Date for all Notes accepted in the Offers. Under no circumstances will any interest be payable to holders because of any delay on the part of Global Bondholder Services Corporation, as depositary, The Depository Trust Company ('DTC') or any other party in the transmission of funds to holders.

All Notes accepted in the Offers will be cancelled and retired, and will no longer remain outstanding obligations of the Company.

The Company retained HSBC Bank plc as Dealer Manager for the Offers (the 'Dealer Manager'). Questions and requests for assistance related to the Offers may be directed to the Dealer Manager at UK: +44 (0)20 7992 6237, US: +1 (212) 525-5552 (Collect) or +1 (888) HSBC-4LM (Toll Free), or by email at liability.management@hsbcib.com.

Global Bondholder Services Corporation is acting as the information agent (the 'Information Agent'). Questions or requests for assistance related to the Offers or for additional copies of the Offer Documents may be directed to the Information Agent at +1 (855) 654-2014 (toll free) or +1 (212) 430-3774 (banks and brokers). You may also contact your broker, dealer, custodian bank, trust company or other nominee for assistance concerning the Offers.

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