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January 11, 2008

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 January, 2008

HSBC Holdings plc

42nd Floor, 8 Canada
Square, London E14 5HQ, England

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F).

Form 20-F Form 40-F

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Yes..... No

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NOTIFICATION OF TRANSACTIONS OF PERSONS DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY
AND/OR CONNECTED PERSONS

This notification relates to a transaction notified in accordance with DTR 3.1.2 R and 3.1.4 R (1) (a)

1 Name of the issuer

HSBC Holdings plc

2 Name of the person discharging managerial responsibilities or, where applicable, the name of the person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities

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W S H Laidlaw, a person discharging managerial responsibilities

- 3 Description of shares (including class), debentures, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares
- US\$0.50 ordinary shares
- 4 State the nature of the transaction
- i) A beneficial interest, held on date of appointment as a Director of HSBC Holdings plc on 1 January 2008.
- ii) A non-beneficial interest as a Trustee of The Late Lord Southborough's Will Trust, held on date of appointment as a Director of HSBC Holdings plc on 1 January 2008.
- 5 Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares acquired
- i) 20,000
- ii) 4,500
- 6 Number of shares, derivatives or any other financial instruments relating to shares disposed
- N/A
- 7 Price per share or value of transaction
- N/A
- 8 Date and place of transaction
- Held on appointment (1 January 2008)
- 9 Date issuer informed of transaction
- 10 January 2008
- 10 Total holding following notification
- 24,500
- 11 Name of duly authorised officer/official of issuer responsible for making notification Nicola Black, Assistant Secretary, 020 7991 2652
- 12 Date of notification
- 11 January 2008

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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: P A Stafford

Title: Assistant Group Secretary

Date: 11 January 2008