

## CORPORATE SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDER NOTICE

## Notice pursuant to s. 324 of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571)

Form for use by a corporation giving notice of :

- (i) First acquiring an interest in 5% or more of the shares of a listed corporation (I.e. first becoming a substantial shareholder);
- (ii) Changes in the percentage level, or nature, of its interest or its short position in such shares; and
- (iii) Ceasing to have an interest of 5% in such shares (complete Boxes 1 to 19 and 27 only).

**This Form must be completed in accordance with the directions and instructions in the Notes to Form 2.**

<b>1. Name of listed corporation</b> HSBC HOLDINGS PLC		<b>4. Number of issued shares in class</b> 17,204,812,822	
<b>2. Stock code</b>	00005		
<b>3. Class of shares</b>	Common Shares		

<b>5. Name of substantial shareholder</b> Credit Suisse Group AG		<b>8. Business registration number</b> N/A	
		<b>9. Place of incorporation</b> Switzerland	<b>Certificate of Incorporation No.</b> CH-020.3.906.075-9
<b>6. Registered office</b> 8 Paradeplatz, CH-8001, Zurich.		<b>10. Contact person</b> Ellen Yee	
		<b>11. Daytime tel. No.</b> 6562122318	<b>12. e-mail address</b> ellen.yee@credit-suisse.com
<b>7. Principal place of business in Hong Kong</b> N/A		<b>13. Exchange on which listed</b> Switzerland, ADS in New York	
		<b>14. Name of listed parent and exchange on which parent is listed</b> N/A	

**15. Date of relevant event**

27	3	2009
(day)	(month)	(year)

**16. Date when the substantial shareholder became aware of the relevant event/ interest in the shares (if later)**

31	3	2009
(day)	(month)	(year)

**17. Details of relevant event**

	Relevant event code describing circumstances (see Table 1)	Code describing capacity in which shares were/are held (see Table 2)		Number of shares bought/sold or involved	Currency of transaction	On Exchange		Off Exchange	
		Before relevant event	After relevant event			Highest price per share	Average price per share	Average consideration per share	Consideration Code (see Table 3)
Long position	- Select -	- Select -	- Select -		HKD				- Select -
Short position	113	- Select -	205	36,804,789					

#### 18. Total shares immediately before the relevant event

	Total number of shares	Percentage figure (%)
Long position	967,813,091	5.63
Short position	307,717,587	1.79
Lending pool		

#### 19. Total shares immediately after the relevant event

	Total number of shares	Percentage figure (%)
Long position	994,133,299	5.78
Short position	344,522,376	2.00
Lending pool		

#### 20. Capacity in which interests disclosed in Box 19 are held

Code describing capacity (see Table 2)	Number of shares	
	Long position	Short position
205	994,133,299	344,522,376
- Select -		
- Select -		
- Select -		
- Select -		

#### 21. Further information in respect of derivative interests

Code describing derivatives (see Table 4)	Number of shares	
	Long position	Short position
401	6,904,604	7,148,596
402	648,568	5,444,556
403	28,076,689	53,359,196
- Select -		
- Select -		

**22. Further information in relation to interests of corporations controlled by substantial shareholder**

Name of controlled corporation	Address and place of incorporation	Name of controlling shareholder	% control	Direct interest (Y/N)	Number of shares	
					Long position	Short Position
	Please see attached					

**23. Further information in relation to interests held by substantial shareholder jointly with another person**

Name of joint shareholder	Address	Number of shares	
		Long position	Short Position
	NIL		

**24. Further information from a trustee, or beneficiary of a trust, or a founder of a Discretionary Trust**

Name of Trust	Address	Status Code (see Table 5)	Number of shares	
			Long position	Short position
	NIL	- Select -		
		- Select -		
		- Select -		

**25. Further information from a party to an agreement under Section 317 ( Please see Notes for further information required)**

Names of other parties	Address	Number of shares
	NIL	
Total number of shares in which substantial shareholder is interested under section 317 and 318		

**26. Details of person(s) in accordance with whose directions the substantial shareholder or its directors are accustomed to act**

Names	Address	Relationship Code (see Table 6)	Percentage (%)
	NIL	- Select -	
		- Select -	
		- Select -	

27. Date of filing this Form 2

02	4	2009
(day)	(month)	(year)

Form 2.

28. Number of continuation sheets

2

29. Number of attachments

0

## 22. Further information in relation to interests of corporations controlled by substantial shareholder

Name of controlled corporation	Address and place of incorporation	Name of controlling shareholder	% control	Direct interest (Y/N)	Number of Shares	
					Long Positions	Short Positions
Credit Suisse	Paradeplatz 8, Zurich, CH-8070, Switzerland	Credit Suisse Group AG	100.00	N	50,539,028	(64,221,050)
Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	Bahnhofstrasse 17, CH-6300, Zurich, Switzerland	Credit Suisse	100.00	N	50,539,028	(64,221,050)
Credit Suisse International	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse Group AG	20.00	Y	50,539,028	(64,221,050)
Credit Suisse International	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse	56.00	Y	50,539,028	(64,221,050)
Credit Suisse International	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	24.00	Y	50,539,028	(64,221,050)
Credit Suisse	Paradeplatz 8, Zurich, CH-8070, Switzerland	Credit Suisse Group AG	100.00	N	45,336,092	(45,157,708)
Credit Suisse Holdings (USA), Inc.	11 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, USA	Credit Suisse Group AG	43.00	N	45,336,092	(45,157,708)
Credit Suisse Holdings (USA), Inc.	11 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, USA	Credit Suisse	57.00	N	45,336,092	(45,157,708)
Credit Suisse (USA), Inc.	11 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, USA	Credit Suisse Holdings (USA), Inc.	100.00	N	45,336,092	(45,157,708)
Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC	11 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010, USA	Credit Suisse (USA), Inc.	100.00	Y	45,336,092	(45,157,708)
Credit Suisse	Paradeplatz 8, Zurich, CH-8070, Switzerland	Credit Suisse Group AG	100.00	N	7,681,236	(11,558,952)
Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	Bahnhofstrasse 17, CH-6300, Zurich, Switzerland	Credit Suisse	100.00	N	7,681,236	(11,558,952)
Credit Suisse (Hong Kong) Limited	21/F, Tower 3, Exchange Square, Central, Hong Kong	Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	100.00	Y	7,681,236	(11,558,952)
Credit Suisse	Paradeplatz 8, Zurich, CH-8001, Switzerland	Credit Suisse Group AG	100.00	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)

## 22. Further information in relation to interests of corporations controlled by substantial shareholder

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					Long Positions	Short Positions
Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	Bahnhofstrasse 17, CH-6300, Zurich, Switzerland	Credit Suisse	100.00	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse Investments (UK)	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	100.00	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse First Boston Management AG	Uetlibergstrasse 231, P O Box 990, CH-8070, Zurich, Switzerland	Credit Suisse (International) Holding AG	100.00	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse Investment Holdings (UK)	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse First Boston Management AG	1.93	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse Investment Holdings (UK)	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse Investments (UK)	98.07	N	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited	One Cabot Square, London E14 4QJ, England	Credit Suisse Investments Holdings (UK)	100.00	Y	866,164,187	(223,584,666)
Credit Suisse	Paradeplatz 8, Zurich, CH-8070, Switzerland	Credit Suisse Group AG	100.00	Y	24,412,756	0