

FORM 2

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.

1. Name of listed corporation HSBC Holdings plc		4. Number of issued shares in class 17,204,812,822	
2. Stock code 0005	3. Class of shares Common Shares		
5. Name of substantial shareholder ABN AMRO Holding N.V.		8. Business registration number Nil	
		9. Place of incorporation The Netherlands	Certificate of Incorporation No. 33220369
6. Registered office Gustav Mahlerlaan, 10, 1082 PP, Amsterdam, The Netherlands		10. Contact person Patrick C T Li	
		11. Daytime tel. No. 27005882	12. e-mail address patrick.c.t.li@rbs.com
7. Principal place of business in Hong Kong 38/F, Cheung Kong Center, 2 Queens Road, Central, Hong Kong		13. Exchange on which listed Amsterdam	
		14. Name of listed parent and exchange on which parent is listed ABN AMRO Holding N.V. - Amsterdam	

15. Date of relevant event			
13 (day)	03 (month)	2009 (year)	

16. Date when the substantial shareholder became aware of the relevant event/ interest in the shares (if later)			
17 (day)	03 (month)	2009 (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)	Before relevant event	After relevant event	Number of shares bought/sold or involved	Currency of transaction	On Exchange			Off Exchange
							Highest price per share	Average price per share	Average consideration per share	
Long position	- Select -		- Select -			HKD				Consideration Code (see Table 3)
Short position	113		205		10,167,971					- Select -

18. Total shares immediately before the relevant event	Total number of shares	Percentage figure (%)
Long position	1,016,722,756	5.91
Short position	339,194,457	1.97
Lending pool	25,139,234	0.15

19. Total shares immediately after the relevant event	Total number of shares	Percentage figure (%)
Long position	1,010,160,512	5.87
Short position	349,362,428	2.03
Lending pool	13,139,234	0.08

20. Capacity in which interests disclosed in Box 19 are held	Number of shares	
Code describing capacity (see Table 2)	Long position	Short position
205	1,010,160,512	349,362,428
- Select -		
- Select -		
- Select -		
- Select -		

21. Further information in respect of derivative interests	Number of shares	
Code describing derivatives (see Table 4)	Long position	Short position
404	244,566,748	194,239,025
403	629,921,259	
- Select -		
- 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	
ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	Gustav Mahlerlaan, 10, 1082 PP, Amsterdam, The Netherlands	ABN AMRO Holding N.V.	100.00	Y	Long position	Short Position
ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	Gustav Mahlerlaan, 10, 1082 PP, Amsterdam, The Netherlands	ABN AMRO Holding N.V.	100.00	N	629,921,259	
ABN AMRO Holdings (UK) Limited	250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA	ABN AMRO Bank N.V.	100.00	N	629,921,259	0

ABN AMRO Hoare Govett Limited	250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA	ABN AMRO Holdings (UK) Limited	100.00	N	629,921,259	0
ABN AMRO Equities Holdings (UK) Limited	250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA	ABN AMRO Hoare Govett Limited	100.00	N	629,921,259	0
ABN AMRO Investments Holdings Limited	250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA	ABN AMRO Equities Holdings (UK) Limited	100.00	N	629,921,259	0
RBS Hoare Govett Limited	250 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4AA	ABN AMRO Investments Holdings Limited	100.00	Y	629,921,259	0

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

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
		- Select -	Long positionShort position
		- Select -	
		- Select -	
		- Select -	

25. Further information from a party to an agreement under Section 317 (Please see Notes for further information required)			Number of shares
Names of other parties	Address		
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 (%)
		- Select -	
		- Select -	
		- Select -	

27. Date of filing this Form 2

17

03

2009

(day)

(month)

(year)

28. Number of continuation sheets

29. Number of attachments