

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).

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

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| 1. Name of listed corporation HSBC Holdings PLC | |
| 2. Stock code 5 | 4. Number of issued shares in class 17,422,993,393 |
| 3. Class of shares Ordinary Shares | |

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| 5. Name of substantial shareholder JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 8. Business registration number N/A | |
| | 9. Place of incorporation United States | Certificate of Incorporation No. 13-2624428 (Tax ID#) |
| 6. Registered office 270 Park Avenue, New York 10017, USA | 10. Contact person Kezia Wong | |
| | 11. Daytime tel. No. 6568827275 | 12. e-mail address asia.doi.team@jpmorgan.com |
| 7. Principal place of business in Hong Kong N/A | 13. Exchange on which listed New York Stock Exchange | |
| | 14. Name of listed parent and exchange on which parent is listed N/A | |

15. Date of relevant event

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|-------|---------|--------|
| 18 | 03 | 2010 |
| (day) | (month) | (year) |

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

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| 19 | 03 | 2010 |
| (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 | 117 | 205 | 205 | 78,747,187 | HKD | 81.800 | 81.680 | | - Select - |
| Short position | - Select - | - Select - | - Select - | | | | | | |

18. Total shares immediately before the relevant event

| | Total number of shares | Percentage figure (%) |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Long position | 971,640,738 | 5.58 |
| Short position | 51,517,668 | 0.30 |
| Lending pool | 704,999,526 | 4.05 |

19. Total shares immediately after the relevant event

| | Total number of shares | Percentage figure (%) |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Long position | 1,050,387,925 | 6.03 |
| Short position | 151,989,239 | 0.87 |
| Lending pool | 683,399,670 | 3.92 |

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

| Code describing capacity (see Table 2) | Number of shares | |
|--|------------------|----------------|
| | Long position | Short position |
| 201 | 249,964,300 | 151,989,239 |
| 202 | 117,023,955 | 0 |
| 208 | 683,399,670 | 0 |
| - Select - | | |
| - Select - | | |

21. Further information in respect of derivative interests

| Code describing derivatives (see Table 4) | Number of shares | |
|---|------------------|----------------|
| | Long position | Short position |
| 401 | 9,651,500 | 15,756,500 |
| 402 | 5,200 | 1,343,331 |
| 403 | 15,553,137 | 17,371,014 |
| 404 | 0 | 6,600,000 |
| - 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 |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. | 1111 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240 | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 100.00 | Y | 685,069,274 | 0 |
| J.P. Morgan Securities Ltd. | 125 London Wall London EC2Y 5AJ (England) | J.P. Morgan Chase International Holdings Limited | 98.95 | Y | 160,388,222 | 132,068,299 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase International Holdings Limited | 125 London Wall London EC2Y 5AJ (England) | J.P. Morgan Chase (UK) Holdings Limited | 100.00 | N | 160,388,222 | 132,068,299 |
| J.P. Morgan Chase (UK) Holdings Limited | 125 London Wall London EC2Y 5AJ (England) | J.P. Morgan Capital Holdings Limited | 100.00 | N | 160,388,222 | 132,068,299 |
| J.P. Morgan Capital Holdings Limited | 125 London Wall London EC2Y 5AJ (England) | J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited | 100.00 | N | 160,388,222 | 132,068,299 |
| J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited | 500 Stanton Christiana Road, Newark, Delaware 19713, USA (United States) | Bank One International Holdings Corporation | 100.00 | N | 182,276,800 | 151,989,239 |
| Bank One International Holdings Corporation | 1 Bank One Plaza, Chicago, Illinois | J.P. Morgan International Inc | 100.00 | N | 182,276,800 | 151,989,239 |
| J.P. Morgan International Inc. | 270 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y.10017 (United States) | JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. | 100.00 | N | 182,276,800 | 151,989,239 |

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 |

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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 |
| | | - 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 |
|---|---------|------------------|
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| 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

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| 22 | 03 | 2010 |
| (day) | (month) | (year) |

Form 2.

28. Number of continuation sheets

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29. Number of attachments

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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 |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. | 1111 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240 | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 100.00 | N | 182,276,800 | 151,989,239 |
| J.P. Morgan Whitefriars Inc. | 500 Stanton Christiana Road, Newark, Delaware, USA (United States) | J.P. Morgan Overseas Capital Corporation | 100.00 | Y | 20,383,378 | 18,577,609 |
| J.P. Morgan Overseas Capital Corporation | 500 Stanton Christiana Road, Newark, Delaware, USA (United States) | J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited | 100.00 | N | 20,383,378 | 18,577,609 |
| JF Asset Management Limited | 21st Floor Chater House 8 Connaught Road Central Hong Kong (Hong Kong) | JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc. | 100.00 | Y | 10,926,245 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc. | 270 Park Avenue New York (United States) | JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc. | 100.00 | N | 11,439,238 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc. | 270 Park Avenue New York (United States) | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 100.00 | N | 115,354,351 | 0 |
| J.P. Morgan Structured Products B.V. | Strawinskylaan 3105 1077 AZ Amsterdam The Netherlands | J.P. Morgan International Finance Limited | 100.00 | Y | 1,505,200 | 1,343,331 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management (UK) Limited | 125 London Wall London EC2Y 5AJ London (England) | JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings (UK) Limited | 100.00 | Y | 82,849,362 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings (UK) Limited | 125 London Wall London (England) | JPMorgan Asset Management International Limited | 100.00 | N | 82,849,362 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management International Limited | 125 London Wall London (England) | JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc. | 100.00 | N | 82,849,362 | 0 |
| J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc. | 245 Park Avenue, New York (United States) | JPMorgan Asset Management Holdings Inc. | 100.00 | Y | 21,065,751 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management (Japan) Limited | Tokyo Building, 7-3, Marunouchi 2-chome Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-6432 (Japan) | JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc. | 100.00 | Y | 232,699 | 0 |
| J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. | 270 Park Avenue New York N.Y. 10017, USA | JPMorgan Securities Holdings LLC | 100.00 | Y | 67,187,500 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Securities Holdings LLC | 270 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. 10017, USA | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 100.00 | N | 67,187,500 | 0 |
| JPMorgan Asset Management (Taiwan) Limited | 3/F., No.65 and 17/F., No. 65, 67 and 69 Tun Hwa S. Road Sec. 2 Taipei (Taiwan) | JPMorgan Asset Management (Asia) Inc. | 100.00 | Y | 280,294 | 0 |
| J.P. Morgan GT Corporation | 270 Park Avenue New York (United States) | JPMorgan Chase & Co. | 100.00 | Y | 500,000 | 0 |
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