

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
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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 October

HSBC Holdings plc

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Yes.....  No

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HSBC CAPITAL (USA) INC. MANAGEMENT TEAM TO FORM GRAYCLIFF PARTNERS

HSBC, through its wholly owned subsidiary HSBC Capital (USA) Inc. (HCUS), is to enter into investment advisory arrangements in relation to its existing private equity and mezzanine investment funds in the United States and Latin America with Graycliff Partners LP (Graycliff Partners), a new company formed by members of the current HCUS management team who will be leaving HSBC to establish Graycliff Partners.

Graycliff Partners will focus on private equity, mezzanine and real estate investments in the middle market of the United States and Latin America and will provide portfolio management services to HSBC in respect of assets amounting to approximately \$1.1bn.

Completion of the investment advisory arrangements, which are expected to become effective in the fourth quarter of 2011, is conditional upon the regulatory registration of Graycliff Partners, among other matters.

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Note to editors:

The HSBC Group

HSBC Holdings plc, the parent company of the HSBC Group, is headquartered in London. The Group serves customers worldwide from around 7,500 offices in 87 countries and territories in Europe, the Asia-Pacific region, the Americas, the Middle East and Africa. With assets of US\$2,691bn at 30 June 2011, HSBC is one of the world's largest banking and financial services organisations.

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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: 14 October, 2011