



WRITTEN NOTICE

Distributions On Own Funds

To: HSBC Holdings PLC (FRN: 203795) (the "company")

Of: 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ

Date: 7 February 2023

ACTION

(1) In accordance with Article 73(1) and (2) of Regulation 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms as it forms part of retained EU law (the "CRR") the Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") has decided to grant the company the permission on a consolidated basis to treat the following capital instruments for which the company has the sole discretion to decide to pay distributions in a form other than cash or an own funds instrument as Common Equity Tier 1, Additional Tier 1 or Tier 2 instruments, as applicable:

- a. ordinary shares that meet the own funds eligibility criteria set out in Article 28 of the CRR;
- b. preference shares that meet the own funds eligibility criteria set out in Article 52 of the CRR; and
- c. preference shares that meet the own funds eligibility criteria set out in Article 63 of the CRR.

(2) This permission is granted on the basis that the conditions set out in Article 73(2) of the CRR have been met and continue to be met. If any of those conditions ceases to be met, the PRA may vary the terms and conditions of the permission or revoke the permission in whole or in part.

Effect

(3) This permission takes effect on 20 December 2021.

Decision-Maker

(4) The decision which gave rise to the obligation to give this Notice was made by the PRA Supervision, Risk and Policy Committee.

Publication

(5) Details of this permission will be published on the Bank of England website.

PRA contacts

(6) For more information concerning this matter generally, the company should contact its usual supervisory contact.

PRA Supervision, Risk and Policy Committee
Prudential Regulation Authority