

HSBC HOLDINGS PLC  
Form 6-K  
March 13, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**  
**Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**For the month of March 2017**

**HSBC Holdings plc**

**42nd Floor, 8 Canada Square, London E14 5HQ, England**

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934).

Yes                      No

(If  Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):  
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**This Report on Form 6-K is hereby incorporated by reference in the following HSBC Holdings plc  
registration statement: file number 333-202420**

HSBC Holdings plc (the Registrant ) hereby incorporates by reference the following exhibits to this report on Form 6-K into its registration statement: file number 333-202420.

Exhibit No.	Description of Document
5.1	Opinion of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, special US counsel to the Registrant, dated March 13, 2017.
5.2	Opinion of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, special English solicitors to the Registrant, dated March 13, 2017.

**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

Date: March 13, 2017

By: /s/ Iain Mackay  
Name: Iain Mackay  
Title: Group Finance Director