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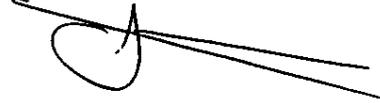
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HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B.V.

Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2012



HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B.V.

Incorporated in the Netherlands as a closed company
with limited liability and domiciled in England
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Registered No BV320378

Financial Statements
31 December 2012

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Management report for the year ended 31 December 2012

HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B V (the 'Company'), incorporated in the Netherlands with limited liability, is registered and domiciled in England as an overseas company (with a statutory seat in Amsterdam) and wholly owned by HSBC Holdings B V, also incorporated in the Netherlands. Its ultimate parent company is HSBC Holdings plc, incorporated in England.

Principal activities

During the year ended 31 December 2012 HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B V (the 'Company') continued to be an investment holding company.

It is not anticipated that the activities of the Company will change significantly during 2013.

Overview of activities

During the year ended 31 December 2012, the Company received interest income of US\$14,116 thousand (2011 US\$8,668 thousand) on a loan to the parent company. The loan, with original maturity of June 2011, was extended for a further five years and at the same time re-priced at market rate, resulting in a year on year increase in interest income.

No dividends were received during the year (2011 US\$nil).

During the year, an impairment charge of US\$75,105 thousand (2011 US\$nil) was recognised in respect of the Company's investment in HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

An additional impairment charge of US\$357 thousand (2011 US\$846 thousand) was recognised in respect of the Company's investment in HSBC Investment Services (Poland) Sp z o o, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company which was liquidated on 4 December 2012. The impairment charge reflects the difference between the liquidation proceeds of US\$1,068 thousand and the carrying value of US\$1,425 thousand.

Result

The net asset value of the Company as at 31 December 2012 was US\$1,109 million (2011 US\$1,174 million).

The results of the Company show a loss before tax of US\$61 million for the year (2011 profit before tax of US\$8 million).

Business outlook

At the present time, it is not anticipated that the operating income and expenses of the Company will change significantly during 2013.

Risk management

Being an investment holding company the Company is subject to the risks of the performance of its subsidiaries which could result in impairment of these investments. The subsidiary HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Ltd ('HSCI') was affected by the adverse economic conditions in recent years. An impairment charge in respect of the Company's investment in HSCI has been recognised of US\$75,105 thousand (2011 US\$nil). The subsidiary HSBC Investment Services (Poland) Sp z o o ('HISP') which undertook corporate finance and advisory services, was affected by the adverse economic conditions in recent years and as a result was liquidated on 4 December 2012. An impairment charge in respect of the Company's investment in HISP has been recognised of US\$357 thousand (2011 US\$846 thousand).

The financial risk management objectives and policies of the Company, together with an analysis of the exposure to such risks are set out in Note 13 on the financial statements.

The Company's exposure to credit, liquidity, market and foreign currency risks are limited due to the nature of its business, which is predominantly investing in or financing of subsidiaries. These transactions are generally funded by way of equity from the parent company.

**Management report for the year ended
31 December 2012 (continued)**

Capital management

The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and is dependent on the HSBC Group to provide necessary capital resources which are therefore managed on a group basis

The Company defines capital as total shareholders' equity. It is HSBC's objective to maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business and to meet regulatory capital requirements at all times. There were no changes to the Company's approach to capital management during the year.

Directors

The Directors who served during the year were as follows:

D H Burnett

G Mattia

J H McKenzie

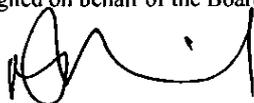
P J Reid

The Company has no Supervisory Board of Directors.

This report and the financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 17 May 2013.

London, 17 May 2013

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors



P J Reid

Director

Financial Statements

Statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2012

	<i>Notes</i>	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
Interest income		14,116	8,668
Net trading income		208	-
Fair value (loss)/gain on derivatives		(21)	45
Foreign exchange loss		(25)	(29)
Total operating income		14,278	8 684
General and administrative expenses		(11)	(14)
Impairment of investment in subsidiaries	8	(75,462)	(846)
Total operating expenses		(75,473)	(860)
(Loss) / Profit before tax		(61,195)	7,824
Tax expense	5	(3,886)	(1,884)
(Loss) / Profit for the year attributable to the shareholder		(65,081)	5,940
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the shareholder		(65,081)	5,940

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements

Financial Statements (continued)**Balance sheet as at 31 December 2012**

	<i>Notes</i>	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
ASSETS			
Cash at bank and in hand		30,808	25,195
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	7	880,038	880,080
Prepayments and accrued income		208	-
Investments in subsidiaries	8	200,136	270,166
Deferred tax assets		2	4
Total assets		1,111,192	1,175,445
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings		-	1
Derivatives	9	27	7
Current tax liabilities		1,782	973
Accruals		9	9
Total liabilities		1,818	990
Equity			
Called up share capital	10	321	315
Capital exchange reserve		(61)	(55)
Share premium account		1,101,095	1,101,095
Retained earnings		8,019	73,100
Total equity		1,109,374	1,174,455
Total equity and liabilities		1,111,192	1,175,445

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements

Financial Statements (continued)**Statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2012**

		2012	2011
	<i>Notes</i>	US\$000	US\$000
Cash flows from operating activities			
(Loss) / Profit before tax		(61,195)	7,824
Adjustments for			
- Non-cash items included in profit before tax	<i>11</i>	75,462	846
- Change in operating assets	<i>11</i>	(166)	(61)
- Change in operating liabilities	<i>11</i>	19	(45)
- Tax paid		(3,075)	(1,288)
Net cash generated from operating activities		<u>11,045</u>	<u>7,276</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Net cash outflow from acquisition of or additional investment in subsidiaries		(5,432)	-
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(5,432)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		5,613	7,276
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		<u>25,195</u>	<u>17,919</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	<i>11</i>	<u>30,808</u>	<u>25,195</u>

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements

Financial Statements (continued)**Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 December 2012**

	Called up share capital	Capital exchange reserve	Share premium	Retained earnings	Total equity
	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000
At 1 January 2012	315	(55)	1,101,095	73,100	1,174,455
Loss for the year attributable to the shareholder	-	-	-	(65,081)	(65,081)
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the shareholder	-	-	-	(65,081)	(65,081)
Exchange movements	6	(6)	-	-	-
At 31 December 2012	321	(61)	1,101,095	8,019	1,109,374
At 1 January 2011	325	(65)	1,101,095	67,160	1,168,515
Profit for the year attributable to the shareholder	-	-	-	5,940	5,940
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the shareholder	-	-	-	5,940	5,940
Exchange movements	(10)	10	-	-	-
At 31 December 2011	315	(55)	1,101,095	73,100	1,174,455

The capital exchange reserve is a legal reserve and therefore not distributable

No dividends were paid during 2012 (2011 US\$nil)

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 23 form an integral part of these financial statements

Notes on the Financial Statements

1 Basis of preparation

(a) Statement of compliance

HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B V has prepared its financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRSs') as endorsed by the European Union ('EU') and in accordance with Book 2, Title 9 of the Dutch Civil Code

IFRSs comprise accounting standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB') and its predecessor body as well as interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee ('IFRIC') and its predecessor body

The Company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group consolidated financial statements by article 408 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code. All subsidiaries held by the Company are taken up within the consolidated financial statements of the ultimate parent company. Under the exemption provided by paragraph 10 of IAS 27, the Company does not prepare consolidated financial statements and, in lieu thereof, files with the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce in Amsterdam the audited annual group financial statements of HSBC Holdings plc.

The financial statements present information about the Company as an individual undertaking.

(b) Basis of measurement

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis except for financial assets and financial liabilities which are measured in accordance with notes 2(f), 2(h) and 2(i).

(c) Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements have been presented in US Dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

All amounts have been rounded to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated.

(d) Use of estimates and assumptions

The preparation of financial information requires the use of estimates and assumptions about future conditions. The use of available information and the application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates, actual results in the future may differ from estimates upon which financial information is prepared. Management believes that the Company's critical accounting policy where judgement is necessarily applied is the impairment of investments in subsidiaries (Note 2(g)).

(e) Balance sheet presentation

The balance sheet has been prepared in order of liquidity to better reflect the nature of the Company as an investment holding company.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

1 Basis of preparation (continued)

(f) Future accounting developments

At 31 December 2012, a number of standards and amendments to standards had been issued by the IASB which are not effective for the Company's financial statements as at 31 December 2012. Those which could have an impact on the Company's financial statements are discussed below.

Standards and amendments issued by the IASB

Standards applicable in 2013

In May 2011, the IASB issued IFRS 13 'Fair Value Measurement'. This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2013 with early adoption permitted. IFRS 13 is required to be applied prospectively from the beginning of the first annual period in which it is applied. The disclosure requirements of IFRS 13 do not require comparative information to be provided for periods prior to initial application.

IFRS 13 establishes a single source of guidance for all fair value measurements required or permitted by IFRSs. The standard clarifies the definition of fair value as an exit price, which is defined as a price at which an orderly transaction to sell the asset or to transfer the liability would take place between market participants at the measurement date under current market conditions, and enhances disclosures about fair value measurement.

The effect of IFRS 13 is not expected to be material to the Company's financial statements.

Standards applicable in 2015 but not endorsed by the EU

In November 2009, the IASB issued IFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' which introduced new requirements for the classification and measurement of financial assets. In October 2010, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 9 incorporating requirements for financial liabilities. Together, these changes represent the first phase in the IASB's planned replacement of IAS 39 'Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement'.

Following the IASB's decision in December 2011 to defer the effective date, the standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015 with early adoption permitted. IFRS 9 is required to be applied retrospectively but prior periods need not be restated.

The second and third phases in the IASB's project to replace IAS 39 will address the impairment of financial assets and hedge accounting.

The IASB is in the process of amending the requirements for classification and measurement in IFRS 9 to address practice and other issues.

The final IFRS 9 requirements for classification and measurement and impairment remain uncertain and so the Company remains unable to provide a date by which it will apply IFRS 9 as a whole. However, based on an initial assessment, when the Company is able to apply IFRS 9 it is not expected to have a material effect on the Company's financial statements.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

(a) Interest income and expense

Interest income and expense for all interest bearing financial instruments is recognised in 'Interest income' and 'Interest expense' in the statement of comprehensive income using the effective interest method. The effective interest method is a way of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or a financial liability and of allocating the interest income or expense over the relevant period.

The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts or payments through the expected life of the financial instrument or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Company estimates cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument but excluding future credit losses. The calculation includes all amounts paid or received by the Company that are an integral part of the effective interest rate of a financial instrument, including transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

(b) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income on the date the entity's right to receive payments is established. This is the ex-dividend date for listed equity securities, and usually the date when shareholders have approved the dividend for unlisted equity securities.

(c) Income Tax

Income tax comprises current tax and deferred tax. Income tax is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity.

Current tax is the tax expected to be payable on the taxable profit for the year, calculated using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. Current tax assets and liabilities are offset when the Company intends to settle on a net basis and the legal right to offset exists.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the balance sheet and the amounts attributed to such assets and liabilities for tax purposes. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax is calculated using the tax rates expected to apply in the periods in which the assets will be realised or the liabilities settled, based on tax rates and laws enacted, or substantively enacted, by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they arise in the same tax reporting group and relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority, and when the Company has a legal right to offset.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

(d) Foreign currencies

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in the functional currency at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of the transaction

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Any resulting exchange differences are included in the statement of comprehensive income

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured at historical cost in a foreign currency are translated into the functional currency using the rate of exchange at the date of the initial transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated into the functional currency using the rate of exchange at the date the fair value was determined

In accordance with Book 2, Title 9 of the Dutch Civil Code, the EURO share capital of the Company has been restated into US Dollars using the relating EUR/USD year-end closing rate. The movements in exchange of the share capital remain within equity and are captured in the capital exchange reserve, which is a legal reserve and not distributable

(e) Subsidiaries

The Company classifies investments in entities in which it controls as subsidiaries

For the purpose of determining this classification, control is considered to be the power to govern the financial and operating policies of an entity so as to obtain benefits from its activities

The Company's investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any impairment losses

(f) Financial assets and liabilities

Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings

Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings are those that have not been classified either as held-for-trading or designated at fair value. These assets are recognised when cash is advanced and are derecognised when the undertakings repay their obligations, or the assets are sold or written off, or substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred. They are initially recorded at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs and are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment losses

Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings

Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings are recognised when cash is advanced or contractual arrangements are entered into. These liabilities are initially measured at fair value less any transaction costs that are directly attributable. The Company derecognises the financial liability when the Company's obligations specified in the contract expire, are discharged or cancelled. Subsequent to initial recognition, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method

(g) Impairment of assets (other than financial assets)

The carrying amounts of the Company's investments in subsidiaries are reviewed at each balance sheet date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated as the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and its value in use

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Any impairment loss recognised in prior periods shall be reversed through the statement of comprehensive income if, and only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the investment's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined if no impairment loss had been recognised.

(h) Derivatives

Derivatives are recognised initially, and are subsequently remeasured, at fair value. Fair values of exchange-traded derivatives are obtained from quoted market prices. Fair values of over-the-counter derivatives are obtained using valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow models.

Derivatives are classified as assets when their fair value is positive or as liabilities when their fair value is negative. Derivative assets and liabilities arising from different transactions are only offset if the transactions are with the same counterparty, a legal right of offset exists, and the parties intend to settle the cash flows on a net basis.

The method of recognising fair value gains and losses on derivatives depends on the risk exposure that is being managed. All gains and losses from changes in the fair value of the Company's total return swap derivative are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income within 'Fair value (loss) / gain on derivatives'. All gains and losses from changes in the fair value of the Company's foreign exchange derivatives, used for managing foreign currency risk exposure, are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income in 'Foreign exchange gain'.

(i) Determination of fair value

All financial instruments are recognised initially at fair value. In the normal course of business, the fair value of a financial instrument on initial recognition is the transaction price (that is, the fair value of the consideration given or received).

Subsequent to initial recognition, the fair values of financial instruments measured at fair value that are quoted in active markets are based on bid prices for assets held and offer prices for liabilities issued. When independent prices are not available, fair values are determined by using valuation techniques which refer to observable market data. These include comparison with similar instruments where market observable prices exist, discounted cash flow analysis, option pricing models and other valuation techniques commonly used by market participants. Fair values of financial instruments may be determined in whole or in part using valuation techniques based on assumptions that are not supported by prices from current market transactions or observable market data, where current prices or observable market data are not available.

Valuation techniques incorporate assumptions that other market participants would use in their valuations, including assumptions about interest rate yield curves, exchange rates, volatilities, and prepayment and default rates. Additional factors such as bid-offer spread, credit profile and model uncertainty are taken into account, as appropriate, when fair values are calculated using valuation techniques. Where a financial instrument has a quoted price in an active market and is part of a portfolio, the fair value of the portfolio is calculated as the product of the number of units and quoted price and no block discounts are made.

(j) Share capital

Shares are classified as equity when there is no contractual obligation to transfer cash or other financial assets. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of equity instruments are shown in equity as a deduction from proceeds, net of tax.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

3 Employee compensation and benefits

None of the Directors received any remuneration for their services to the Company during the year (2011 US\$nil)

The Company has no employees and hence no staff costs (2011 US\$nil)

4 General and administrative expenses

Auditor's remuneration

With reference to Section 2:382a (1) and (2) of the Netherlands Civil Code certain expenses including auditor's remuneration have been borne by HSBC Holdings plc and are therefore not charged in arriving at profit before tax. The amount incurred in respect of the audit of these financial statements was US\$9,904 (2011 US\$10,016)

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

5 Tax expense

	2012	2011
	US\$000	US\$000
Current tax		
UK Corporation tax		
-- for this year	3,527	2,280
Foreign exchange movements		
-- adjustments in respect of prior years	357	(397)
	3,884	1,883
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	2	1
Total tax charged to the statement of comprehensive income	3,886	1,884

The UK corporation tax rate applying to the Company was 24.5 per cent (2011: 26.5 per cent)

The tax charged to the statement of comprehensive income differs to the tax charge that would apply if all profits had been taxed at the UK corporation tax rate as follows:

	2012	Percentage of overall loss before tax	2011	Percentage of overall profit before tax
	US\$000	%	US\$000	%
Taxation at UK corporation tax rate of 24.5% (2011: 26.5%)	(14,993)	24.5	2,074	26.5
Adjustments in respect of prior period liabilities ¹	357	(0.6)	(397)	(5.1)
Amounts not deductible for tax purposes	18,488	(30.2)	223	2.9
Chargeable gains	67	(0.1)	-	-
Deferred tax temporary differences previously not recognised	(67)	0.1	-	-
Other items	34	(0.1)	(16)	(0.2)
Total tax charged to the statement of comprehensive income	3,886	(6.4)	1,884	24.1

¹ Adjustments in respect of prior period liabilities consists entirely of foreign exchange on prior year tax balances

The UK Government announced that the main rate of corporation tax for the year beginning 1 April 2012 will reduce from 26% to 24%, to be followed by a 1% reduction to 23% for the year beginning 1 April 2013 and a further 2% reduction to 21% for the year beginning 1 April 2014. The reduction in the corporate tax rate to 24% was substantively enacted in the first half of 2012 and this results in a weighted average of 24.5% for 2012 (2011: 26.5%). The reduction to 23% was enacted through the 2012 Finance Act in July, and the reductions to 21% and 20% announced in the 2012 Autumn Statement and 2013 budget are expected to be enacted through the 2013 Finance Act. It is not expected that the proposed future rate reductions will have a significant effect on the deferred tax asset at 31 December 2012 of US\$2 thousand.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

5 Tax expense (continued)

Deferred taxation

The following tables show the deferred tax assets recognised in the balance sheet and the related amounts recognised in the statement of comprehensive income, other comprehensive income and directly in equity

	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
IFRS conversion	2	4

	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
At 1 January	4	5
Income statement	(2)	(1)
At 31 December	2	4

6 Analysis of financial assets and liabilities by measurement basis

The following tables analyse the carrying amount of financial assets and liabilities by category as defined in IAS 39 and by balance sheet heading

As at 31 December 2012	Financial assets and liabilities held at fair value	Loans and receivables	Other financial assets and liabilities at amortised cost	Total
	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000
Assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	-	-	30,808	30,808
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	-	880,038	-	880,038
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-	208	208
Total financial assets	-	880,038	31,016	911,054
Total non-financial assets				200,138
Total assets				1,111,192
Liabilities				
Derivatives	27	-	-	27
Accruals	-	-	9	9
Total financial liabilities	27	-	9	36
Total non-financial liabilities				1,782
Total liabilities				1,818

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

6 Analysis of financial assets and liabilities by measurement basis (continued)

As at 31 December 2011	Financial assets and liabilities held at fair value	Loans and receivables	Other financial assets and liabilities at amortised cost	Total
	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000
Assets				
Cash at bank and in hand	-	-	25,195	25,195
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	-	880,080	-	880,080
Total financial assets	-	880,080	25,195	905,275
Total non-financial assets				270,170
Total assets				1,175,445
Liabilities				
Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings	-	-	1	1
Derivatives	7	-	-	7
Accruals	-	-	9	9
Total financial liabilities	7	-	10	17
Total non-financial liabilities				973
Total liabilities				990

7 Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings

	Nominal interest rate	Maturity date	2012	2011
			US\$000	US\$000
HSBC Holdings plc	LIBOR + 1.3%	30/06/2016	880,000	880,000
Accrued interest receivable			38	80
			880,038	880,080

The loan to HSBC Holdings plc had an original maturity date of 30 June 2011 and a nominal interest rate of LIBOR + 0.1%. On maturity, the loan was extended for a further five years and at the same time re-priced at market rate.

LIBOR is measured using 3 month US Dollar LIBOR.

The loans are denominated in US Dollars and the effective interest based on US Dollar LIBOR rates is accrued. The loans are carried at amortised cost. The nominal rate is equal to the effective rate of interest as there have been no fees charged on these loans.

The fair value of loans and advances to HSBC undertakings at 31 December 2012 was US\$898 million (2011 US\$871 million).

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

8 Investments in subsidiaries

	2012	2011
	US\$000	US\$000
Cost		
At 1 January	277,242	277,242
Additions	6,500	-
Disposals	(2,271)	-
At 31 December	<u>281,471</u>	<u>277,242</u>
Impairment		
At 1 January	(7,076)	(6,230)
Charge	(75,462)	(846)
Disposals	1,203	-
At 31 December	<u>(81,335)</u>	<u>(7,076)</u>
Net carrying amount 31 December	<u>200,136</u>	<u>270,166</u>

Impairment charge recognised

The impairment charge recognised during 2012 of US\$75,462 thousand (2011 US\$846 thousand) was in respect of an impairment of US\$75,105 thousand taken to the Company's investment in HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Ltd (2011 US\$nil) and an impairment of US\$357 thousand taken to the Company's investment in HSBC Investment Services (Poland) Sp z o o ("HISP") (2011 US\$846 thousand), both wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company. HISP was liquidated on 4 December 2012.

The Company's accounting policy for impairment of assets (other than financial assets) is described in Note 2(g).

The principal subsidiary undertakings of the Company at 31 December 2012 were

Explanation of additions and disposals

In May 2012, the Company invested a further US\$2 500 thousand in HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Limited.

In December 2012, the Company invested a further US\$4 000 thousand in HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Limited.

In December 2012, HSBC Investment Services (Poland) Sp z o o ("HISP") a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, was liquidated and proceeds of US\$1,068 thousand received. The remaining carrying value of the Company's investment of US\$357 million was recognised as an impairment in the Income Statement.

Name of Undertaking	Class of Capital	Country of Incorporation	Ownership	Ownership
			Percentage 2012	Percentage 2011
HSBC Investment Services (Poland) Sp z o o	Ordinary shares	Poland	-	100%
HSBC Securities and Capital Markets (India) Pte Limited	Ordinary shares	India	100%	100%
HSBC Investment Company (Egypt) S A E	Ordinary shares	Egypt	59%	59%
HSBC Securities (Philippines) Inc	Ordinary shares	Philippines	100%	100%

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

9 Derivatives

Fair values of derivatives

	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
Liabilities		
Total return swap	27	7

Notional contract amounts of derivatives

	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
Total return swap	1,700	1,700

Fair values are determined according to the following hierarchy

Level 1 – Quoted market price financial instruments with quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets

Level 2 – Valuation technique using observable instruments financial instruments with quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets or quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in inactive markets and financial instruments valued using models where all significant inputs are observable

Level 3 – Valuation technique using significant unobservable instruments financial instruments valued using valuation techniques where one or more significant inputs are unobservable

The total return swap is measured at fair value using Level 2 valuation techniques, which use observable inputs

The total return swap is linked to the value of shares in Sidham Finance and Investments (Private) Limited. The principle observable inputs were the net asset value from the published accounts of Sidham Finance and Investment (Private) Limited and the 12 month US Dollar LIBOR rate

10 Share capital

As at 31 December 2012, the share capital of the Company is made up as follows

Class of shares	Nominal value per share (EUR)	Number of authorised shares	Number of issued and fully paid shares	Issued share capital (EUR 000)	Issued share capital (US\$000)
Ordinary shares	50	20,000	4,866	243	321
				<u>243</u>	<u>321</u>

During 2012 no new ordinary shares were issued (2011 nil shares were issued)

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)**11 Notes on the statement of cash flows**

	2012	2011
	US\$000	US\$000
Non-cash items included in profit before tax		
Impairment of investments	75,462	846
	<u>75,462</u>	<u>846</u>
Change in operating assets		
Change in loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	42	(61)
Change in prepayments and accrued income	(208)	-
	<u>(166)</u>	<u>(61)</u>
Change in operating liabilities		
Change in amounts owed to HSBC undertakings	(1)	(1)
Change in derivatives	20	(44)
	<u>19</u>	<u>(45)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents comprise		
Cash at bank with HSBC undertakings	<u>30,808</u>	<u>25,195</u>
Interest and dividends		
Interest received	14,158	8,607

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

12 Maturity analysis of assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis, by remaining contractual maturities at the balance sheet date, of asset and liability line items that represent amounts expected to be recovered or settled within one year, and after more than one year

	Due within one year	Due after more than one year	Total
As at 31 December 2012	US\$000	US\$000	US\$000
Assets			
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	38	880,000	880,038
Prepayments and accrued income	208	-	208
	<u>246</u>	<u>880,000</u>	<u>880,246</u>
Liabilities			
Derivatives	27	-	27
Accruals	9	-	9
	<u>36</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>36</u>
As at 31 December 2011			
Assets			
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	80	880,000	880,080
	<u>80</u>	<u>880,000</u>	<u>880,080</u>
Liabilities			
Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings	1	-	1
Derivatives	7	-	7
Accruals	9	-	9
	<u>17</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17</u>

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

13 Risk Management

Systems and procedures are in place in the HSBC Group to identify, control and report on the major risks associated with financial instruments which include credit, liquidity and market risk. A Risk Management Meeting of the Group Management Board, chaired by the Group Chief Risk Officer, is held each month (except August) to address asset, liability and risk management issues for the HSBC Group. The Risk Management Meeting sets processes and limits to be applied by HSBC subsidiaries, including HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B V. Exposure to these risks is monitored by HSBC Holdings plc's Asset and Liability Committee.

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss if a counterparty fails to meet an obligation under a contract.

Maximum exposure to credit risk

	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
Cash at bank and in hand	30,808	25,195
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings	880,038	880,080
	<u>910,846</u>	<u>905,275</u>

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company does not have sufficient financial resources to meet its obligations as they fall due, or will have to do so at an excessive cost. This risk arises from mismatches in the timing of cash flows.

Cash flows payable by the Company under financial liabilities by remaining contractual maturities

At 31 December 2012

US\$000	On demand	Due within 3 months	Due between 3 and 12 months	Due between 1 and 5 years
Derivatives	27	-	-	-
Accruals	-	9	-	-
Total	<u>27</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

At 31 December 2011

US\$000	On demand	Due within 3 months	Due between 3 and 12 months	Due between 1 and 5 years
Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings	1	-	-	-
Derivatives	7	-	-	-
Accruals	-	9	-	-
Total	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Derivatives have been included in the 'on demand' time bucket, and not by contractual maturity, because these financial instruments are typically held for short periods of time.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

13 Risk Management (continued)

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that movements in market risk factors, including foreign exchange rates and interest rates will reduce income values. Exposure to these risks arises from short-term cash balances and funding positions with HSBC undertakings. The objective of the Company's risk management strategy is to reduce exposure to these risks and minimise volatility in economic income, cash flows and distributable reserves. The principal tool for managing this is sensitivity analysis of changes in profit before tax to future changes in the exchange rates or interest rate.

Foreign currency risk

The Company has no significant exposure to foreign currency risk on assets and liabilities that are denominated in a currency other than the US Dollar.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis

The Company held net assets of US\$910 million (2011 US\$905 million) that are sensitive to interest rate movements. If all other variables are held constant the effect of a 100 basis points increase/(decrease) in LIBOR on these net assets would be an increase/(decrease) of profit before tax of US\$9.1 million (2011 US\$9.0 million) and after tax of US\$6.9 million (2011 US\$6.7 million).

14 Related party transactions

Balances with related parties

	<i>Notes</i>	2012 US\$000	2011 US\$000
Assets			
Cash at bank and in hand ¹		30,808	25,195
Loans and advances to HSBC undertakings ²	7	880,038	880,080
Investments in subsidiaries ³	8	200,136	270,166
Total related party assets		1,110,982	1,175,441
Liabilities			
Amounts owed to HSBC undertakings ²		-	1
Accruals ¹		9	9
Total related party liabilities		9	10

¹ These balances are with other related parties comprising of other HSBC Group Companies which are neither a parent nor subsidiary of the Company.

² These balances are with HSBC Holdings plc, the ultimate parent of the Company.

³ These balances are with subsidiaries of the Company.

The above outstanding balances arose in the ordinary course of business and are on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and security, as for comparable transactions with third-party counterparties.

Notes on the Financial Statements (continued)

15 Events after the balance sheet date

There have been no significant post balance sheet events

16 Capital management

In line with HSBC Group policy, the Company maintains a strong capital base to support the development of its business and to meet regulatory capital requirements at all times. The Company recognises the impact on shareholder returns of the level of equity capital employed and seeks to maintain a prudent balance between the advantages and flexibility afforded by a strong capital position and the higher returns on equity. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

An annual Group capital plan is prepared and approved by the Board of HSBC Holdings plc. The Company manages its own capital within the context of the plan, which determines an appropriate amount and mix of capital required to support planned business growth. As part of HSBC's capital management policy, capital generated in excess of planned requirements is returned to shareholders, normally by way of dividends.

The Company defines capital as total equity, the components of which are set out in the balance sheet.

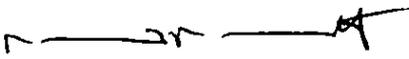
17 Parent undertaking

The Company's immediate parent company is HSBC Holdings B V which is incorporated in the Netherlands as a close company with limited liability and registered and domiciled in England. The Company's ultimate parent company is HSBC Holdings plc which is incorporated in England with limited liability under the UK Companies Act.

The accounts of the Company are consolidated within the HSBC Holdings plc financial statements, which are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. Copies of the financial statements of HSBC Holdings plc may be obtained from its registered office as stated below, or from the Group's web site, www.hsbc.com.

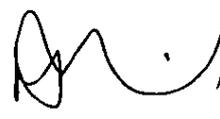
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Supplementary data

Statutory rules as to appropriation of profits

According to Article 12 of the Company's Articles of Association, profits are at the disposition of the General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposed appropriation of result

Management proposes to carry forward within retained earnings the result for the year ended 31 December 2012

Report of the Auditors

The Report of the Auditors is set forth on the following page

Independent Auditor's Report to the Member of HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B.V. 31 December 2012

Report on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements 2012 of HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B.V., Amsterdam, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2012, the statements of comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the year then ended and notes, comprising a summary of the significant accounting policies and other explanatory information

Management's responsibility

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union and with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code, and for the preparation of the management report in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code. Furthermore, management is responsible for such internal control as it determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law, including the Dutch Standards on Auditing. This requires that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B.V. as at 31 December 2012 and of its result and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union and with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Pursuant to the legal requirements under Section 2:393 sub 5 at e and f of the Netherlands Civil Code, we have no deficiencies to report as a result of our examination whether the management report, to the extent we can assess, has been prepared in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of this Code, and whether the information as required under Section 2:392 sub 1 at b - h has been annexed. Further, we report that the management report, to the extent we can assess, is consistent with the financial statements as required by Section 2:391 sub 4 of the Netherlands Civil Code

Amstelveen, May 2013

KPMG Accountants N.V.

C.C.J. Segers RA



Independent auditor's report

To the Board of Directors of HSBC Investment Bank Holdings B V

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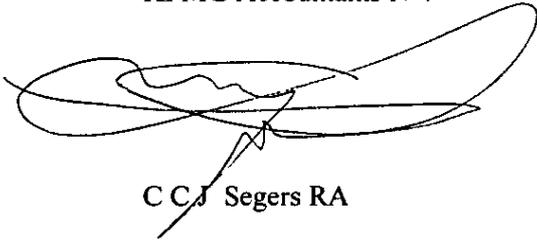
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Amstelveen, 17 May 2013

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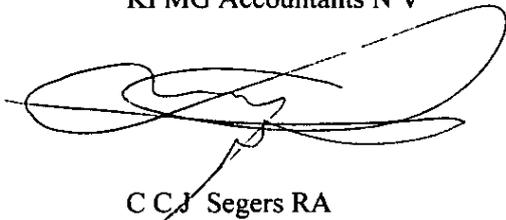
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