

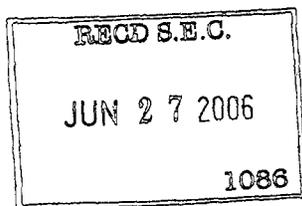


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Mr. Brian Johnson  
Branch Chief  
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Room 2531  
100 F Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HSBC FINANCE CORPORATION, 5.7% Notes due June 1, 2011 and Floating Rate Notes due June 1, 2016 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on June 27, 2006. Tentative listing date – June 29, 2006.

Sincerely,

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