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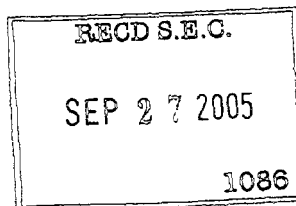
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, HSBC FINANCE CORPORATION, Floating Rate Notes due September 15, 2008, 4.625% Notes due September 15, 2010 and Floating Rate Notes due September 14, 2012 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on September 27, 2005. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

*Paras Mehta*

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