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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its own shares

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

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To the Registrar of Companies

For official use

Company number

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27657

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Name of company

* THE BOOTS COMPANY PLC

* insert full name of company

Note

This return must be delivered to the Registrar within a period of 28 days beginning with the first date on which shares to which it relates were delivered to the company

Shares were purchased by the company under section 162 of the above Act as follows:

Class of shares	ORDINARY		
Number of shares purchased	250,000		
Nominal value of each share	25p		
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	1 MARCH 2000		
Maximum prices paid § for each share	481.82		
Minimum prices paid § for each share	-		

§ A private company is not required to give this information

The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares £1,204,543 to which this return relates was:

Stamp duty payable pursuant to section 66 of the Finance Act 1986 on the aggregate amount at 50p per £100 or part of £100 £6025



† Insert Director, Secretary, Receiver, Administrator, Administrative Receiver or Receiver (Scotland) as appropriate

Signed S. Fennell

Designation: ASST SECRETARY Date 7 March 2000

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