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# 169(1B)

Return by a public company purchasing its own shares for holding in treasury

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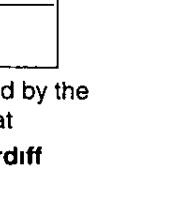
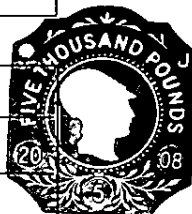
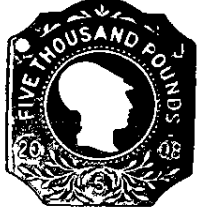
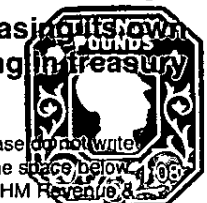
Pursuant to section 169(1B) of the Companies Act 1985

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Company Number 1807982

Company Name in full ASHTEAD GROUP PLC

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**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 placed in treasury must be "qualifying shares" as defined by section 162(4) of the Companies Act 1985

**PART A PURCHASE BY COMPANY OF ITS OWN SHARES FOR HOLDING IN TREASURY**

Class of shares (ordinary or preference etc)	ORDINARY	ORDINARY	
Number of shares	3,760,000	2,175,000	
Date(s) shares delivered to the company	21/04-30/04/08	01/05-15/05/08	
For each share			
Nominal value	10 PENCE	10 PENCE	
Maximum price paid	£0 6284	£0 6945	
Minimum price paid	£0 5850	£0 5987	

The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was

£ 3,708,423.00

Stamp Duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of 0.5 % rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5

£ 18,545 00

**PART B FULLY PAID BONUS SHARES PLACED IN TREASURY PURSUANT TO SECTION 162C(6) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1985**

Class of shares (ordinary or preference etc)			
Number of shares			
Nominal value of each share			
Date(s) shares delivered to the company			

\*\*Delete as appropriate

Signed

*[Signature]*

Date

16.5.08

(\*a director / secretary / administrator / administrative receiver / receiver manager / receiver)

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When you have completed and signed the form and it has been stamped by the HM Revenue & Customs please send it to the Registrar of Companies at  
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