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in black type, or
bold block lettering

* 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

§ A private company
is not required to
give this information

COMPANIES FORM No. 169

**Return by a company purchasing
its own shares**

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Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

To the Registrar of Companies
(Address overleaf)

For official use

Name of company

* **ASTRAZENECA PLC**

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

Class of shares	ORDINARY	ORDINARY	ORDINARY
Number of shares purchased	500,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Nominal value of each share	US\$ 0.25	US\$ 0.25	US\$ 0.25
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	06/03/2000	06/03/2000	07/03/2000
Maximum prices paid § for each share	2025.81p	2134.689p	2088.212p
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The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares
to which this return relates was:

£52,358,060-00

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

£261,795-00

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

Signed

Designation † SECRETARY

Date 17/3/2000

Presentor's name address and
reference (if any) :

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General Section

