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**COMPANIES FORM No. 169** 

Return by a company putits own shares

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Pursuant to section 16

(Address overleaf)

Name of company



To the Registrar of Companies

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\* insert full name of company

ASTRAZENECA PLC

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	ORDINARY	
Number of shares purchased	300,000	450,000	
Nominal value of each share	US\$ 0.25	US\$ 0.25	
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	09/03/01	13/03/01	
Maximum prices paid § for each share	3133·5p	3060.905566p	
Minimum prices paid § for each share	3133-51	3060.9055661	



£115

§ A private company is not required to give this information

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

£ 23,174,575-05

Stamp duty payable pursuant to section 66 of the Finance Act 1986 on the aggregate amount at 50p per £100 or part of £100 £115 \$75-00

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

Signed

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Designation # SECRETARY

Date 23/03/01

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

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