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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its own shares

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Please complete

* insert full name

of company

legibly, preferably in

black type, or bold block lettering

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

17 MAR 2004

To the Registrar of Companies (address overleaf)

Name of company

For official use

Company Number

2885609

Merrill Lynch European Investment Trust 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.

§A private company is not required to give this information

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

Class of shares	ORDINARY	
Number of shares purchased	450,000	
Nominal value of each share	£0.25	
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	10/03/2004	
Maximum prices paid for each share	£1.355	
Minimum prices paid for each share §	£1.355	





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

£609,750.00

Stamp Duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of 1/2% rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5

£3,050.00

A.c. Lynon investment Managers Group Services

Nicholson Designation #

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

Presentor's name, address and reference (if any): Miss A J Marsh 33 King William Street London EC4R 9AS

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