

COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its own shares

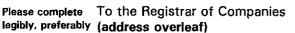
Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

Mercury European Investment Trust plc

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Name of company

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Company number

2885609

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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.

§ 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	100,000			
Nominal value of each share	£0.25			
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	24/10/2000			
Maximum prices paid for geach share	187.75p			
Minimum prices paid for geach share	187.75P			

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

£ 187,750.00

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

939.00

Menii Lynch Investment Managers Group Services Ltd

Secretary Designation*

Date

18/10/00

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

Signed

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31/10/00

