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Please complete legibly, preferably 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

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

COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing own shares

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

To the Registrar of Companies
(address overleaf)

Name of company

* DEBENHAMS PLC

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

Class of shares	ORDINARY		
Number of shares purchased	250,000		
Nominal value of each share	10p		
Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	31 Oct 2002		
Maximum prices paid for each share §	285.9740p		
Minimum prices paid for each share §	285.9740p		

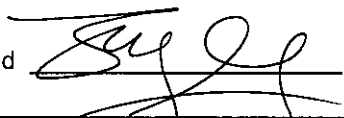
The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was:

£ 716,723.34

Stamp duty is payable on the aggregate amount at the rate of ½% rounded up to the nearest multiple of £5

£ 3,585.00

Signed



Designation

DEPUTY
COMPANY SECRETARY

Date 7/11/02

Presenter's name, address and reference (if any):

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