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COMPANIES FORM No. 169

Return by a company purchasing its own shares

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legibly, preferably
in block letters, or
using a computer.



This return must be
submitted 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 company
is not required to
give this information

Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985

To the Registrar of Companies
(Address overleaf)

For official use

Company number

2723534

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	525,000	700,000
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	13/09/06	05/09/06	08/09/06
Maximum prices paid \$ for each share	3393p	3390.41p	3388.89p
Minimum prices paid \$ for each share	3393p	3390.41p	3388.89p

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

£ 58,486,882.50

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

£ 292,435.00

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

Signed

Designation † SECRETARY

Date 5/10/06

Presentor's name address and
reference (if any) :For official Use (10/03)
General Section

Post room

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COMPANIES HOUSE453
21/10/2006

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