

# Handelsbanken

## Press release

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### Handelsbanken has repurchased over 18 million shares to date

Up to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2000 inclusive, Handelsbanken has repurchased 18 051 500 shares comprising 1 664 400 class A shares and 16 387 100 class B shares. The total number of shares in Handelsbanken is 714 746 940.

#### Background

On 14<sup>th</sup> April 2000, the Annual General Meeting and Board of Svenska Handelsbanken decided to repurchase 50 million of the Bank's class A and/or class B ordinary shares during the period until the next Annual General Meeting in 2001. The acquisitions are carried out on the OM Stockholm Exchange at the market price prevailing at the time of acquisition, and for a maximum of SEK 4 billion.

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