

news release

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REPURCHASE OF SHARES IN ASTRAZENECA PLC

AstraZeneca PLC announces that on 5 June 2000, it purchased for cancellation 570,000 ordinary shares of AstraZeneca PLC at a price of 2747 pence per share. Upon the cancellation of these shares, the number of shares in issue will be 1,768,516,843

G H R Musker Company Secretary 6 June 2000