COMPANIES FORM No. 169

To the Registrar of Companies

(Address overleaf)

Return by a company purchasing its own shares

CHFP000

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Pursuant to section 169 of the Companies Act 1985



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Please complete legibly, preferably in black type, or bold block lettering

Name of company * insert full name

Associated British Ports Holdings PLC

Note

of company

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

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

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Company number

1612178

đ	Class of shares	Ordinary
	Number of shares purchased	85,000
	Nominal value of each share	25 pence
	Date(s) on which the shares were delivered to the company	24/10/2001
	Maximum prices paid § for each share	£4.185
	Minimum prices paid § for each share	N/A

§ A private company is not required to give this information

> The aggregate amount paid by the company for the shares to which this return relates was: £ 355,722.96

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

£ 1,780

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

Signed

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Designation ±

Date -

2/11/01

Presentor's name address and reference (if any):

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Post room



COMPANIES HOUSE

05/11/01