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Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.
International Strategic Return Notes(R)
Linked to the Select Asia Total Return Index due April , 2009
US\$10 public offering price per security

Private Offering Notice

Summary Terms

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The securities:

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o Senior unsecured debt securities of Merrill Lynch & Co., maturity or upon $\,$

Inc. change in the

which

o Exchangeable at the investor's option for a cash payment ${\tt Net\ Total}$

during a specified period in April of each year from 2005 of 2%

through 2008 as described in the prospectus supplement. Return Index is a

reflects the total

o $\,$ No payments prior to maturity unless exchanged. four major

and Taiwan. The

o Linked to the value of the Select Asia Total Return must increase

Index. receive at

\$10 per

o Expected settlement date: April $\,$, 2004. value of the

or has not

o The securities are made available to each investor receive less, and

outside of the United States in a minimum initial offering

investment of US\$50,000 or such other amount, and subject to such other restrictions, as may be applicable to such investor under the private offering rules of any jurisdiction outside of the United States.

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Payment at maturity:
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o The amount an investor will receive at exchange will be based upon the percentage value of the Select Asia Total Return Index, reflects the performance of the S&P Asia 50 Return Index, less an annual adjustment factor applied daily. The S&P Asia 50 Net Total total return index, net of taxes, which return of fifty dividend-yielding stocks from Asian markets, Hong Kong, Korea, Singapore value of the Select Asia Total Return Index by at least 1.52% in order for an investor to least the original public offering price of security at maturity or upon exchange. If the Select Asia Total Return Index has declined increased sufficiently, an investor will possibly significantly less, than the public price of \$10 per security.

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The date of this Notice is April 5, 2004

This Notice supplements the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement, dated April 5, 2004, and the Prospectus, dated November 26, 2003.