[LOGO OMITTED] Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Accelerated Return Notes Linked to the United States Dollar/European Union Euro Exchange Rate due November , 2005 US\$10 public offering price per security

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Summary Terms

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The securities:

o There will be no payments prior to maturity and the maturity will

securities may not be redeemed prior to maturity. United States

"USD/EUR Exchange

o Senior unsecured debt securities of Merrill Lynch & Co.,

United States Inc.

If the USD/EUR

euro has

o The Notes are designed for investors who want to

dollar) over

participate in any appreciation in the value of the euro will receive

relative to the United States dollar over the term of the

the percentage

Notes. a maximum

\$11.40 per note.

o Expected settlement date: September , 2004.

(i.e., if the

United States

o The securities are made available to each investor

maturity an investor

outside of the United States in a minimum initial

that percentage

investment of US\$50,000 or such other amount, and

subject to such other restrictions, as may be

than its

applicable to such investor under the private offering

rules of any jurisdiction outside of the United States.

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Payment at maturity:

o The amount an investor will receive at be based upon the percentage change in the dollar/European euro exchange rate (the Rate"), a rate which expresses the number of dollars which can be exchanged for one euro. Exchange Rate has increased (i.e., if the appreciated in value against the United States the term of the notes, at maturity an investor a payment per note equal to \$10 plus triple increase of the USD/EUR Exchange Rate, up to payment expected to be between \$11.20 and If the USD/EUR Exchange Rate has decreased euro has depreciated in value against the dollar) over the term of the notes, at will receive a payment per note based upon decrease. As a result, at maturity, an receive less and possibly significantly less initial investment of \$10 per note.

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The date of this Notice is August 26, 2004

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