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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)													
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PETERS AULANA L				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERRILL LYNCH & CO INC [MER]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC., 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003							Officer (g	give title below)	Oth	er (specify below	v)
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10080			2	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PETERS AULANA L C/O MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC. 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NEW YORK, NY 10080	X					

Signatures

Aulana L. Peters (by Michael A. LaMaina, as agent)	01/05/2004
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The reporting person participates in the Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Fee Deferral Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Fee Deferral Plan"), under which these ML Stock Units were (1) credited. Transactions under the Fee Deferral Plan are exempt under Rule 16b-3. The value of each unit is equal to the value of one share of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Common Stock. ML Stock Units are payable in cash at the end of the deferral period as provided in the Fee Deferral Plan.
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Remarks:

All reported positions have been rounded down to the nearest whole number.

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