FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Perso PETERS AULANA L	2. Issuer Name an MERRILL LYN			<i>c</i> .		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) C/O MERRILL LYNCH & CO., WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2004						Officer (give title below) C	other (specify be	low)	
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10080	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	(Instr. 8)		(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
Security	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		5. Numb of Deriv Secur Acqui (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr. 4, and	er ative ities ired r osed) . 3,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	v	(A)		Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
ML Stock Units (1)	<u>(2)</u>	02/27/2004		А		101		Ш	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	101	\$ 61.38	18,101 (<u>3)</u>	D	

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	Х							

Signatures

Aulana L. Peters (by Michael A. LaMaina, as agent)	03/02/2004		
***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.
- (2) 1 for 1
- (3) This total also reflects the reinvestment of dividend equivalents into ML Stock Units pursuant to the terms of the Fee Deferral Plan. This transaction is exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16a-3 and/or 16a-11.

Remarks:

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

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