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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br>FOSINA JOHN J                      |                                         | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>MERRILL LYNCH & CO INC [MER]      |                                   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><div><div>Director</div><div>10% Owner</div><div>X Officer (give title below)</div><div>Other (specify below)</div></div> <div>Vice President and Controller</div> |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC., 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER |                                         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>01/26/2004                   |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (Street)<br>NEW YORK, NY 10080                                                 |                                         | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                             |                                   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br><div><div>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</div><div>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</div></div>                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (City) (State) (Zip)                                                           |                                         | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                              | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                            | 3. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)                                                                                                                                                                             | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                                                                                |                                         |                                                                                  | Code V                            | Amount (A) or (D) Price                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| Common Stock                                                                   | 01/26/2004                              |                                                                                  | A                                 | 6,239 (1) A \$ 0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | 24,436 (2)                                                                                       | D                                                           |                                                          |

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<br>(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                                                        |                                         |                                                       |                                   |  |                                                                                            |  |                                                             |            |                                                                  |       |                                               |                                                                                                       |                                                                                     |                                                           |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                                                                                   | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) |  | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |  | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |            | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |       | 8. Price of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
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| Stock Appreciation Right (3)                                                                                                                    | \$ 59.85                                               | 01/26/2004                              |                                                       | A                                 |  | 4,680                                                                                      |  | (4)                                                         | 01/26/2014 | Common Stock                                                     | 4,680 | \$ 0                                          | 4,680                                                                                                 | D                                                                                   |                                                           |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                               | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                              | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| FOSINA JOHN J<br>MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC.<br>4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER<br>NEW YORK, NY 10080 |               |           | Vice President and Controller |       |

Signatures

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|--------------------------------------------------|--|------------|
| John J. Fosina (by Michael A. LaMaina, as agent) |  | 01/28/2004 |
| **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).

- (1) These Restricted Shares were granted on January 26, 2004 pursuant to the Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. The Vesting and Restricted Periods for the Restricted Shares shall begin on January 1, 2004 and shall end on January 31, 2008. Transactions under this plan are exempt under the provisions of Rule 16b-3.
- (2) This total also reflects the acquisition of shares of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Common Stock as a result of dividend reinvestments through various Merrill Lynch plans which is exempt from the reporting requirements under the provisions of Rule 16a-3 and/or Rule 16a-11.
- (3) These stock appreciation rights were granted under the Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Long-Term Incentive Compensation Plan. Transactions under this plan are exempt under the provisions of Rule 16b-3.
- (4) 1,170 stock appreciation rights will become exercisable after each of 1/26/2005, 1/26/2006, 1/26/2007 and 1/26/2008.

**Remarks:**

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

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