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 representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

|  | Per Unit | Total |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Public offering price (1) | $\$ 10.00$ |  |
| Underwriting discount (1) | $\$ .20$ | $\$$ |
| Proceeds, before expenses, to Merrill Lynch \& Co., Inc. | $\$ 9.80$ | $\$$ |



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## Merrill Lynch \& Co.

October , 2008

## Summary

The $100 \%$ Principal Protected Step-Up Notes Linked to the United States dollar value of the BRIC Currencies due November , 2010 (the "Notes") are senior, unsecured debt securities of Merrill Lynch \& Co., Inc. that provide investors with a return of $20 \%$ to $30 \%$ over the Original Public Offering Price if the sum of the weighted returns of each Exchange Rate (as defined herein), as calculated on the Valuation Date (the "Cumulative Return"), is zero or positive but less than or equal to the Threshold Percentage of $20 \%$ to $30 \%$. If the Cumulative Return is positive and greater than the Threshold Percentage, the Notes will provide investors with a $100 \%$ Participation Rate in the Cumulative Return. The Cumulative Return will increase if the values of the Brazilian real, Russian ruble, Indian rupee and Chinese renminbi (yuan) (each, an "Underlying Currency" and together, the "Underlying Currencies") appreciate relative to the United States dollar over the term of the Notes. The Cumulative Return will decrease if the values of the Underlying Currencies depreciate relative to the United States dollar over the term of the Notes. Investors should be of the view that the values of the Underlying Currencies will remain constant or appreciate relative to the United States dollar over the term of the Notes and must be willing to forgo interest payments on the Notes.

## Terms of the Notes

| Issuer: | Merrill Lynch \& Co., Inc. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Original Public Offoring Price: | \$10 per unit |
| Term: | Approximately 24 months |
| Base Value: | \$10 per unit |
| Minimum Redemption Amount: | \$10 per unit |
| Valuation Date: | The fifth scheduled Business Day (as defined in product supplement STUP-1) immediately prior to the maturity cate, determined as of the Pricing Date and set forth in the final term sheet made available in connection with sales of the Notes. |
| Threshold Percentage: | The Threshold Percentage will be a percentage between $20 \%$ and $30 \%$. The actual Threshold Percentage will be determined on the Pricing Date and set forth in the final term sheet made available in connection with sales of the Notes. |
| Participation Rate: | 100\% |
| Exchange Rates: | The Exchange Rate, as further explained in this term sheet under "Exchange Rates", for each Underlying Currency is the number of units of the applicable Underlying Currency for which one United States dollar can be exchanged. |
| Exchange Rate Weighting: | 25\% for each Exchange Rate |
| Cumulative Return: | The sum of each Weighted Return (rounded to four decimal places), as further explained in this term sheet under "Exchange Rates" |
| Calculation Ag | Merrill Lynch Capital |

## Determining Payment at Maturity for the Notes

On the maturity date, you will receive a cash payment per unit, denominated in United States dollars, equal to the Redemption Amount. If the Cumulative Return is negative, you will receive only the Minimum Redemption Amount per unit.

The "Redemption Amount" per unit to which you will be entitled will depend on the direction of and the percentage change in the Exchange Rates and the Threshold Percentage, and will be determined as set forth below:


## Hypothetical Payout Profile



This graph reflects the hypothetical performance of the Notes, assuming a Threshold Percentage of $25 \%$, the midpoint of the range of $20 \%$ and $30 \%$, and including the Participation Rate of 100\%, the Base Value of \$10.00 and the Minimum Redemption Amount of $\$ 10.00$. The blue line reflects the hypothetical Redemption Amount of the Notes while the gray line reflects the hypothetical performance of the Cumulative Return with no Minimum Redemption Amount or Threshold Percentage.

This graph has been prepared for purposes of illustration only. Your actual return will depend on the actual Cumulative Return, Threshold Percentage and the term of your investment.

## Hypothetical Payments at Maturity

Set forth below are four examples of Redemption Amount calculations (rounded to two decimal places) assuming a Threshold Percentage of $25 \%$, the midpoint of the range of $20 \%$ and $30 \%$ :
Example 1-The hypothetical Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date is equal to -10.0000\%:
Redemption Amount (per unit) $=\$ 10.00 \quad$ (The Redemption Amount cannot be less than the $\$ 10$ Minimum Redemption Amount per unit)
Example 2-The hypothetical Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date is equal to $0.0000 \%$ :
$\$ 10+(\$ 10 \times 25.0000 \%)=\$ 12.50$
Redemption Amount (per unit) $=\$ 12.50$
Example 3-The hypothetical Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date is equal to 10.0000\%:
$\$ 10+(\$ 10 \times 25.0000 \%)=\$ 12.50$
Redemption Amount (per unit) $=\$ 12.50$
Example 4-The hypothetical Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date is equal to $35.0000 \%$ :
$\$ 10+(\$ 10 \times 35.0000 \% \times 100 \%)=\$ 13.50$
Redemption Amount (per unit) = \$13.50

For a range of hypothetical Cumulative Returns on the Valuation Date, the following table illustrates:

- the total amount payable on the maturity date per unit (rounded to two decimal places)
- the total rate of return to holders of the Notes; and
- the pretax annualized rate of return to holders of the Notes
 sheet made available in connection with the sales of the Notes.

| Hypothetical <br> Cumulative Return <br> on the Valuation Date | Total amount <br> payable on the <br> maturity date <br> per unit | Pretax <br> annualized rate <br> of return on <br> the Notes(1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $-15.0000 \%$ | $\$ 10.00$ | return on <br> the Notes |
| $-10.0000 \%$ | $\$ 10.00$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| $-5.0000 \%$ | $\$ 10.00(2)$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| $0.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $0.00 \%$ |
| $1.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $5.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $10.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $15.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $19.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $20.0000 \%$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $25.0000 \%(3)$ | $\$ 12.50$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $30.0000 \%$ | $\$ 13.00$ | $25.00 \%$ |
| $35.0000 \%$ | $\$ 13.50$ | $30.00 \%$ |
|  |  | $35.00 \%$ |

 expected to be similar to that of the Notes.
(2) The amount you receive on the maturity date will not be less than $\$ 10.00$ per unit.
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 Percentage and the term of your investment.

## Risk Factors


 investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisers before you invest in the Notes.

- You may not earn a return on your investment.
" Your yield may be lower than the yield on other debt securities of comparable maturity.
- Changes in the values of the Exchange Rates may offset each other.
- You must rely on your own evaluation of the merits of an investment linked to the Exchange Rates.
- The return on your Notes depends on the Exchange Rates, which are affected by many complex factors outside of our control.
" Even though currency trades around-the-clock, your Notes will not, and the prevailing market prices for your Notes may not reflect the underlying currency prices and rates.
" In seeking to provide investors with what we believe to be commercially reasonable terms for the Notes while providing MLPF\&S with compensation for its services, we have considered the costs of developing, hedging and distributing the Notes. If a trading market develops for the Notes (and such a market may not develop), these costs are expected to affect the market price you may receive or be quoted for your Notes on a date prior to the stated maturity date.
- Many factors affect the trading value of the Notes; these factors interrelate in complex ways and the effect of any one factor may offset or magnify the effect of another factor.
- Amounts payable on the Notes may be limited by state law.
- Potential conflicts of interest could arise.

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## Additional Risk Factor

## The Exchange Rate of the Chinese renminbi (yuan) is currently managed by the Chinese government

On July 21, 2005, the People's Bank of China, with the authorization of the State Council of the People's Republic of China, announced that the Chinese renminbi (yuan) exchange rate would no longer be pegged to the United States dollar and would float based on market supply and demand with reference to a basket of currencies. According to public reports, the governor of the People's Bank of China has stated that the basket is composed mainly of the United States dollar, the European Union euro, the Japanese yen and the South Korean won. Also considered, but playing smaller roles, are the currencies of Singapore, the United Kingdom, Malaysia, Russia, Australia, Canada and Thailand. The weight of each currency within the basket has not been announced.

The initial adjustment of the Chinese renminbi (yuan) exchange rate was an approximate $2 \%$ revaluation from an exchange rate of 8.28 Chinese renminbi (yuan) per United States dollar to 8.11 renminbi (yuan) per United States dollar and, as of the September 29, 2008, was 6.84510 Chinese renminbi (yuan) per United States dollar. The People's Bank of China has also announced that the daily trading price of the United States dollar against the renminbi (yuan) in the inter-bank foreign exchange market will continue to be allowed to float within a band of 0.5 percent around the central parity published by the People's Bank of China, while the trading prices of the non-United States dollar currencies against the renminbi (yuan) will be allowed to move within a certain band announced by the People's Bank of China. The People's Bank of China has stated that it will make adjustments of the renminbi (yuan) exchange rate band when necessary according to market developments as well as the economic and financial situation.

Despite the recent change in their exchange rate regime, the Chinese government continues to manage the valuation of the renminbi (yuan), and, as currently managed, its price movements are unlikely to contribute significantly to either an increase or decrease in the value of the Basket. However, further changes in the Chinese government's management of the renminbi (yuan) could result in a significant movement in the United States dollar/renminbi (yuan) exchange rate. Assuming the value of all other Basket Components remain constant, a decrease in the value of the renminbi (yuan), whether as a result of a change in the government's management of the currency or for other reasons, would result in a decrease in the value of the Basket.

## Recent Developments





 conditions, including standard regulatory approvals. The transaction is expected to close in the first quarter of 2009.

## Investor Considerations

## You may wish to consider an investment in the Notes if:

- You anticipate that the Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date will be zero or sufficiently positive to provide you with your desired return
- You accept that you will not receive any return other than the return of your original investment if the Cumulative Return is negative on the Valuation Date.
- You are willing to forego interest payments on the Notes, such as fixed or floating rate interest paid on traditional interest bearing debt securities
- You are willing to accept that a trading market for the Notes is not expected to develop. Although MLPF\&S, our subsidiary, has indicated that it currently expects to bid for Notes offered for sale to it by holders of the Notes, it is not required to do so and may cease making those bids at any time.


## The Notes may not be appropriate investments for you if:

- You anticipate that the Cumulative Return on the Valuation Date will be negative or will not be sufficiently positive to provide you with your desired return.
- You seek an investment that provides a guaranteed yield or return in addition to the return of your original investment.
" You seek interest payments or other current income on your investment.
* You want assurances that there will be a liquid market if and when you want to sell the Notes prior to maturity.


## Other Provisions



 arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.
 transaction for your account. MLPF\&S is acting as an underwriter and/or selling agent for this offering and will receive underwriting compensation from the issuer of the securities.

## Supplement to the Plan of Distribution

MLPF\&S and First Republic Securities Company, LLC, each a broker-dealer subsidiary of ML\&Co., are members of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (formerly the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (the "NASD")) and will participate in the distribution of the Notes. Accordingly, offerings of the Notes will conform to the requirements of NASD Rule 2720 .

MLPF\&S and First Republic Securities Company, LLC may use this Note Prospectus for offers and sales in secondary market transactions and market-making transactions in the Notes. MLPF\&S and First Republic Securities Company, LLC may act as principal or agent in these transactions, and any such sales will be made at prices related to prevailing market prices at the time of the sale.

## Exchange Rates

The notes are designed to allow investors to participate in exchange rate movements of the value of the Underlying Currencies relative to the United States dollar over the term of the notes. The Exchange Rate for each Underlying Currency is the number of units of the applicable Underlying Currency for which one United States dollar can be exchanged.

To calculate the Redemption Amount you will receive at maturity:
The "Cumulative Return" will be determined by the Calculation Agent on the Valuation Date and will equal the sum of the Weighted Returns (as defined below) of the Exchange Rates. The Cumulative Return will be rounded to four decimal places.

The "Weighted Return" for each Exchange Rate will be determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

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\text { Exchange Rate Weighting } \times\left(\frac{\text { Initial Exchange Rate }- \text { Final Exchange Rate }}{\text { Final Exchange Rate }}\right)
$$

The Weighted Return with respect to each Exchange Rate will be positive when the value of the applicable Underlying Currency appreciates relative to the United States dollar (causing the
 increase). The Weighted Return with respect to each Exchange Rate will be rounded to four decimal places.

Assuming the Exchange Rates of every other Underlying Currency remain the same, any appreciation in the value of a given Underlying Currency relative to the United States dollar will result in an increase in the Cumulative Return while any depreciation in the value of a given Underlying Currency relative to the United States dollar will result in a decrease in the Cumulative Return.

The "Initial Exchange Rate" will equal the value of the applicable Exchange Rate on the Pricing Date determined as described below. The actual Initial Exchange Rate will be set forth in the final term sheet made available in connection with sales of the notes.

The "Final Exchange Rate" will equal the value of the applicable Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date determined as described below
The "Exchange Rate Weighting" with respect to each Exchange Rate will equal 25\%.

Set forth below are three examples of hypothetical Cumulative Return and Redemption Amount calculations (rounded to two decimal places) assuming a Threshold Percentage of $25 \%$, the
 Rates for each Exchange Rate as stated below:

Example 1

| Underlying Currency |  | Exchange Rate Weighting | Hypothetical Initial Exchange Rate | Hypothetical Final Exchange Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brazilian real |  | 25\% | 1.96340 | 2.15974 |
| Russian ruble |  | 25\% | 25.30590 | 24.04061 |
| Indian rupee |  | 25\% | 46.95500 | 49.30275 |
| Chinese renminbi (yuan) |  | 25\% | 6.84510 | 6.91355 |
| (i) Weighted Return for the Brazilian real: | 25\% $\times$ | 26340-2.1 | ) $=-2.2727 \%$ |  |
| (ii) Weighted Return for the Russian ruble: | 25\% $\times$ | -30590-24. | ) $=1.3158 \%$ |  |

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(iii) Weighted Return for the Indian rupee:
(iv) Weighted Return for the Chinese renminbi (yuan):
$25 \% \times\left(\frac{46.95500-49.30275}{49.30275}\right)=-1.1905 \%$
$25 \% \times\left(\frac{6.84510-6.91355}{6.91355}\right)=-0.2475 \%$
 Amount per unit would be equal to $\$ 10.00$. (The Redemption Amount cannot be less than the $\$ 10$ Minimum Redemption Amount per unit)
Example 2

 Threshold Percentage of $25 \%$, the Redemption Amount per unit would be equal to $\$ 12.50=\$ 10+(\$ 10 \times 25 \%)$.

Example 3


 than the Threshold Percentage of $25 \%$, the Redemption Amount per unit would be equal to $\$ 12.67=\$ 10+(\$ 10 \times 26.7061 \%)$.

The actual Initial Exchange Rate and Final Exchange Rate for each Underlying Currency will be determined as follows:
(i) for the Brazilian real, the number of Brazilian reals for which one United States dollar can be exchanged, as reported by Reuters Group PLC ("Reuters") on page BRFR taking the arithmetic mean of the bid and ask, or any substitute page thereto, at approximately 5:00 p.m. in New York City;
(ii) for the Russian ruble, the number of Russian rubles for which one United States dollar can be exchanged, as reported by Reuters on page RUBMCMEEMTA=, or any substitute page thereto, at approximately 10:00 a.m. in London, England;
(iii) for the Indian rupee, the number of Indian rupees for which one United States dollar can be exchanged, as reported by Reuters on page RBIB under "USD", or any substitute page thereto, at approximately 12:30 p.m. in Mumbai, India; and
(iv) for the Chinese renminbi (yuan), the number of Chinese renminbi (yuan) for which one United States dollar can be exchanged, as reported by Reuters on page SAEC, or any substitute page thereto, at approximately 9:30 a.m. in Beijing, China.

If the currency exchange rates are not so quoted on Reuters page BRFR, Reuters page RUBMCMEEMTA=, Reuters page RBIB or Reuters page SAEC (as applicable), or any substitute pages





 fair and reasonable under the circumstances at approximately 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the relevant date.

## Data on the Exchange Rates

## Brazilian real

The following table sets forth the high and low daily Exchange Rates for the Brazilian real for the calendar quarters from January 2003 through September 29, 2008. On September 29, 2008, the

 negative over the term of the Notes.

|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2003 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 3.66500 | 3.26100 |
| Second Quarter | 3.31350 | 2.83850 |
| Third Quarter | 3.06750 | 2.81550 |
| Fourth Quarter | 2.94750 | 2.83100 |
| 2004 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 2.96450 | 2.78200 |
| Second Quarter | 3.21180 | 2.87550 |
| Third Quarter | 3.07820 | 2.85050 |
| Fourth Quarter | 2.88000 | 2.65300 |
| 2005 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 2.76400 | 2.56650 |
| Second Quarter | 2.65880 | 2.33250 |
| Third Quarter | 2.48700 | 2.21400 |
| Fourth Quarter | 2.38000 | 2.16150 |
| 2006 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 2.33640 | 2.10400 |
| Second Quarter | 2.35250 | 2.05550 |
| Third Quarter | 2.22440 | 2.12300 |


|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fourth Quarter | 2.19120 | 2.12940 |
| 2007 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 2.15230 | 2.04440 |
| Second Quarter | 2.04780 | 1.90450 |
| Third Quarter | 2.09300 | 1.83360 |
| Fourth Quarter | 1.83900 | 1.73300 |
| 2008 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 1.83060 | 1.66890 |
| Second Quarter | 1.74440 | 1.59150 |
| Third Quarter (through September 29, 2008) | 1.96340 | 1.56000 |

Russian ruble
The following table sets forth the high and low daily Exchange Rates for the Russian ruble for the calendar quarters from January 2003 through September 29, 2008. On September 29, 2008, the Exchange Rate for the Russian ruble was 25.30590 Russian rubles per one United States dollar. The Exchange Rates listed below were obtained from publicly available information on Bloomberg. The historical Exchange Rates of the Russian ruble should not be taken as an indication of future performance nor as an indication of whether, or to what extent, the Cumulative Return is more or less likely to be positive or negative over the term of the Notes.

|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2003 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 31.95500 | 31.37220 |
| Second Quarter | 31.28650 | 30.32150 |
| Third Quarter | 30.72540 | 30.24280 |
| Fourth Quarter | 30.52120 | 29.23900 |
| 2004 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 29.24250 | 28.43750 |
| Second Quarter | 29.08250 | 28.50750 |
| Third Quarter | 29.27550 | 28.99000 |
| Fourth Quarter | 29.22100 | 27.72000 |
| 2005 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 28.19500 | 27.44870 |
| Second Quarter | 28.68000 | 27.70800 |
| Third Quarter | 28.83120 | 28.16000 |
| Fourth Quarter | 28.98140 | 28.42950 |
| 2006 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 28.74140 | 27.66510 |
| Second Quarter | 27.71650 | 26.73160 |
| Third Quarter | 27.05000 | 26.67260 |
| Fourth Quarter | 26.97970 | 26.17040 |
| 2007 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 26.59900 | 25.97360 |
| Second Quarter | 26.04260 | 25.68540 |
| Third Quarter | 25.89020 | 24.85880 |
| Fourth Quarter | 25.05050 | 24.28500 |
| 2008 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 24.78590 | 23.45110 |
| Second Quarter | 23.89300 | 23.31790 |
| Third Quarter (through September 29, 2008) | 25.74420 | 23.15770 |

## Indian rupee

The following table sets forth the high and low daily Exchange Rates for the Indian rupee for the calendar quarters from January 2003 through September 29, 2008. On September 29, 2008, the Exchange Rate for the Indian rupee was 46.95500 Indian rupees per one United States dollar. The Exchange Rates listed below were obtained from publicly available information on Bloomberg. The historical Exchange Rates of the Indian rupee should not be taken as an indication of future performance nor as an indication of whether, or to what extent, the Cumulative Return is more or less likely to be positive or negative over the term of the Notes.

|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2003 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 48.01000 | 47.47000 |
| Second Quarter | 47.46750 | 46.40250 |
| Third Quarter | 46.43500 | 45.69500 |
| Fourth Quarter | 45.92500 | 45.21500 |
| 2004 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 45.64000 | 43.60000 |
| Second Quarter | 46.25000 | 43.53750 |


|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Third Quarter | 46.47130 | 45.66500 |
| Fourth Quarter | 45.90000 | 43.46000 |
| 2005 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 43.93000 | 43.42000 |
| Second Quarter | 43.83000 | 43.29000 |
| Third Quarter | 44.15000 | 43.17500 |
| Fourth Quarter | 46.31000 | 44.12750 |
| 2006 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 45.09250 | 44.11750 |
| Second Quarter | 46.39000 | 44.60120 |
| Third Quarter | 46.87500 | 45.77000 |
| Fourth Quarter | 45.88000 | 44.27000 |
| 2007 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 44.65750 | 43.03500 |
| Second Quarter | 43.14500 | 40.49000 |
| Third Quarter | 41.31620 | 39.70350 |
| Fourth Quarter | 39.90000 | 39.27750 |
| 2008 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 40.73000 | 39.26500 |
| Second Quarter | 43.04000 | 39.76500 |
| Third Quarter (through September 29, 2008) | 46.95500 | 42.06370 |

Chinese renminbi (yuan)
The following table sets forth the high and low daily Exchange Rates for the Chinese renminbi (yuan) for the calendar quarters from January 2003 through September 29 , 2008. On

 the Cumulative Return is more or less likely to be positive or negative over the term of the Notes.

|  | High | Low |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2003 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 8.27780 | 8.27660 |
| Second Quarter | 8.27750 | 8.27680 |
| Third Quarter | 8.27760 | 8.27660 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.27720 | 8.27650 |
| 2004 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 8.27750 | 8.27660 |
| Second Quarter | 8.27730 | 8.27650 |
| Third Quarter | 8.27710 | 8.27650 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.27680 | 8.27630 |
| 2005 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 8.27660 | 8.27630 |
| Second Quarter | 8.27670 | 8.27630 |
| Third Quarter | 8.27650 | 8.08710 |
| Fourth Quarter | 8.09200 | 8.07020 |
| 2006 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 8.07020 | 8.01720 |
| Second Quarter | 8.02650 | 7.99430 |
| Third Quarter | 8.00480 | 7.89650 |
| Fourth Quarter | 7.91490 | 7.80450 |
| 2007 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 7.81600 | 7.72690 |
| Second Quarter | 7.73500 | 7.61510 |
| Third Quarter | 7.60590 | 7.50350 |
| Fourth Quarter | 7.52760 | 7.30360 |
| 2008 |  |  |
| First Quarter | 7.30410 | 7.01160 |
| Second Quarter | 7.01850 | 6.85440 |
| Third Quarter (through September 29, 2008) | 6.87920 | 6.81130 |







 period set forth below is not an indication of whether, or to what extent, the Cumulative Return is more or less likely to be positive or negative over the term of the Notes.


## Certain U.S. Federal Income Taxation Considerations


 the Notes. Capitalized terms used and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the accompanying product supplement STUP-1.





 the Notes. The following summary assumes that the Notes will be treated as debt instruments of ML\&Co. for U.S. federal income tax purposes.






 (depending upon the circumstances).


 Redemption Amount will even exceed the Original Public Offering Price.




 (e.g., subsequent purchasers) will be subject to rules providing for certain adjustments to the foregoing rules and these U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors concerning these rules.





 final Term Sheet delivered to investors in connection with the initial sale of the Notes.

| Hypothetical Accrual Period | Interest deemed to accrue on Notes during accrual period (per unit of the Notes) | Total interest deemed to have accrued on Notes as of end of accrual period (per unit of the Notes) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| October 1, 2008 through April 1, 2009 | \$0.2678 | \$0.2678 |
| April 2, 2009 through October 1, 2009 | \$0.2757 | \$0.5435 |
| October 2, 2009 through April 1, 2010 | \$0.2832 | \$0.8267 |
| April 2, 2010 through October 1, 2010 | \$0.2907 | \$1.1174 |

Hypothetical Projected Redemption Amount $=\$ 11.1174$ per unit of the Notes.
 any other taxing jurisdiction, of the purchase, ownership and disposition of the Notes. See the discussion under the section entitled "United States Federal Income Taxation" in the accompanying product supplement STUP-1.

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## Additional Terms of the Notes


 Notes involve risks not associated with conventional debt securities. We urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisers before you invest in the Notes.

You may access the following documents on the SEC Website at www.sec.gov as follows (or if such address has changed, by reviewing our filings for the relevant date on the SEC Website):

- Product supplement STUP-1 dated October 3, 2008: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/65100/000119312508206086/d424b2.htm
- MTN prospectus supplement dated March 31, 2006: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/65100/000119312506070946/d424b5.htm
- General prospectus supplement dated March 31, 2006:
http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/65100/000119312506070973/d424b5.htm
- Prospectus dated March 31, 2006 http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/65100/000119312506070817/ds3asr.htm
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 offering, will arrange to send you the Note Prospectus if you so request by calling toll-free 1-866-500-5408.


## Structured Investments Classification


 combine characteristics that are relevant to one or more of the other categories. As such, a category should not be relied upon as a description of any particular Structured Investment.
 from comparable fixed income securities. Principal protection may not be achieved if the investment is sold prior to maturity.
 income, investors may forfeit upside potential on the underlying asset. These investments generally do not include the principal protection feature.

 decreases in the value of such assets. These investments are not structured to include the principal protection feature.
 may offer leverage in exchange for a capped or limited upside potential and also in exchange for downside risk. These investments are not structured to include the principal protection feature


