Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. 95 Greene Street Jersey City, New Jersey 07302

October 12, 2003

[LOGO] MERRILL LYNCH

OFICS Filer Support SEC Operations Center 6432 General Green Way

Alexandria, Virginia 22312-2413

Attention: 1933 Act Filing Desk

Re: Registration Statement No. 333-97937

With reference to the above captioned Registration Statement and in compliance with Rule 424(b)(3) adopted under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, we enclose herewith for filing, one copy, marked as required, one Prospectus and Prospectus supplement dated September 25, 2002 relating to Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. CoreNotes(SM) to be used on and after this date. In addition, please reference that this note is not listed on any exchange.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Mark Youngclaus

Mark Youngclaus Vice President

<TABLE> <CAPTION> Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. Statement No. 333-97937 \$5,547,200,000 dated April 2, 2003 Merrill Lynch CoreNotes (SM)

September 25, 2002)

Filed under Rule 424 (b)(3), Registration

Pricing Supplement No. 10038 -

(To prospectus dated September 25, 2002 and prospectus supplement dated

_ _____ Aggregate Purchasing CUSIP Price to Interest Rate Interest Payment Stated Maturity Survivor's Number Principal Amount Public(1) Agent's Discount(1) Per Annum Frequency Option _ ------<C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> <C> \$2,729,000 5901M0CG2 100.0% 1.0000% 3.50% Monthly 4/7/2008 Yes

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Trade Date: Wednesday April 2, 2003

Merrill Lynch & Co.

New York, NY 10080

Purchasing Agent

4 World Financial Center Acting as Principal

Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. [LOGO] Issue Date: Monday April 7, 2003

Minimum Denominations/Increments: \$1,000/\$1,000

Original Issue Discount: No

All trades settle without accrued interest and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry only Merrill Lynch DTC Participant Number: 5132

(1) Expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount. "CoreNotes" is a service mark of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.

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