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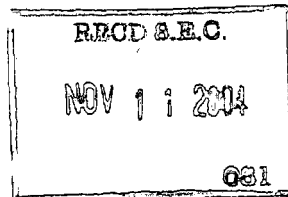
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., Depository Shares (Each representing a 1/1200th Interest in a Share of Floating Rate Non-Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series 1) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on November 11, 2004. Tentative listing date – November 16, 2004.

Sincerely,

Paul M. ...