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Portmeirion Group PLC

17 March 2005

Portmeirion Group Plc (the 'Company')

Acquisition of own shares

The Company announces that, pursuant to its general authority granted by shareholders of the Company on 17th May 2004 to make market purchases of its

ordinary shares of 5p each ("Ordinary Shares"), the Company today made on market

purchases of 200,000 Ordinary Shares at 162p per share (all of which are to be

held as treasury shares).

These shares, representing 1.92 per cent. of the Company's issued share capital,

were purchased from Euan Cooper-Willis, a director of the Company on 17th March

2005. Following this sale, Mr Cooper-Willis will be interested in 1,227,150

Ordinary Shares representing 11.78 per cent. of the Company's issued share capital.

The Company now holds 300,000 Ordinary Shares in treasury and the total number

of Ordinary Shares in issue less the total number of Ordinary Shares held in

treasury following the purchase and non-cancellation of such Ordinary Shares is

10,121,230 Ordinary Shares. This notification is pursuant to the amendment of

the Companies Act 1985 to allow companies to buy-back and hold certain types of

their own shares 'in treasury'.

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