FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GUTHART GARY S (Last) (First) (Middle) 1020 KIFER ROAD				3. D 08/	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG] Just of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2015								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO					vner specify		
(Street) SUNNY (City)			94086 (Zip)		4. lf	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								3. Indiv _ine) X	,					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$533.05	08/17/2015			A		2,800		(1)	0	8/17/2025	Common Stock	2,80	0	\$0.0	2,800		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 7/48 one month after the date of grant and 1/48th each month thereafter.

08/18/2015 Gary S Guthart

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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