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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GUTHART GARY S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & CEO		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2021			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
1020 KIFER ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2021		M ⁽¹⁾		2,000	A	\$0.0	4,980	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		F ⁽¹⁾		992	D	\$0.0	3,988	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		M ⁽¹⁾		1,417	A	\$0.0	5,405	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		F ⁽¹⁾		703	D	\$0.0	4,702	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		M ⁽¹⁾		1,250	A	\$0.0	5,952	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		F ⁽¹⁾		620	D	\$0.0	5,332	D	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0	02/15/2021		M			2,000	(2)	02/15/2021	Common Stock	2,000	\$0.0	0	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0	02/15/2021		M			1,417	(2)	02/15/2022	Common Stock	1,417	\$0.0	1,416	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0	02/15/2021		M			1,250	(2)	02/15/2023	Common Stock	1,250	\$0.0	2,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- RSUs convert into common stock on the vest date on a one-for-one basis. On the transaction date, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share of Intuitive Surgical common stock. The grant vests 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and annually thereafter, over a four year period of time.

By: Donna Spinola For: Gary S Guthart 02/17/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** 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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