FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Samath Jamie (Last) (First) (Middle) 1020 KIFER ROAD					<u>IN</u>	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG] Jate of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2017										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP & Principal Accounting Offi				
(Street) SUNNY (City)			94086 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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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)	\$985.37	08/15/2017			A		950			(1)	08/	/15/2027	Commo Stock		950	\$0.0	950		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.

08/16/2017 Jamie Samath

** 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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