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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Instruction 1(b).	

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	rson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ ISRG ]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
	INIE IVI			X	Director	10% Owner				
(Last) 950 KIFER RD.	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2004	X	Officer (give title below) President,	Other (specify below) CEO				
(Street) SUNNYVALE	СА	94086	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	-		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting				

#### 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)			4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150. 4)	
Common Stock	12/14/2004	12/14/2004	G	v	500	D	\$0.00	399,500	D		
Common Stock	12/14/2004	12/14/2004	G	v	500	D	\$0.00	399,000	D		
Common Stock	12/14/2004	12/14/2004	G	v	500	D	\$0.00	398,500	D		
Common Stock								100,000	I	see footnotes <sup>(1)</sup>	

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	vative rities ired r osed ) . 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ities lying itive ity (Instr. 3	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	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. As reported on form 3 on 06/08/2000, these shares are held in the name of McKram Investors, L.P. Mr. Smith, a partner of McKram disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by such entity except to the extent of his proportionate interest therein.

Remarks:

/S/ Lonnie M. Smith

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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