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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ss of Reporting Perso		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC</u> [ISRG]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 950 KIFER ROA	(First)		. Date of Earliest Transa 5/21/2004	ction (M	onth/E	Day/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other below)	(specify			
		4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street) SUNNYVALE	CA	94086							Line) X	Form filed by One Form filed by Mo Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
	Tá	able I - Nor	-Derivativ	ve Securities Acq	uired,	Disp	oosed of, o	r Bene	ficially	Owned			
		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y	Execution Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					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)		. ,		

 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. Transa Code (8)		5. Num of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	tive ties ed sed 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$16.51	05/21/2004	05/21/2004	A		5,000		05/21/2005	05/21/2014	common stock	5,000	\$0	22,714	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Option shall vest 1/3rd one year after the date of grant and 1/36th each month thereafter.

Remarks:

<u>/s/William C. Meyers</u>

05/24/2004

Date

** 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).

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