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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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7. Nature of Indirect

Beneficial Ownership

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GATES WILLIAM H III			n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
	GALES WILL				X	Director	Х	10% Owner		
	(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/23/2003	Х	Officer (give title below) Chairman of	the I	Other (specify below) Board		
	(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fi	ling (Check Applicable		
			(7:)		X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)		(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More t Person	han C	One Reporting		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date, (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date, (Month/Day/Year) 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Transaction(S) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,700	D	26.5812	1,180,703,863	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		300	D	26.5813	1,180,703,563	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		2,200	D	26.582	1,180,701,363	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		500	D	26.583	1,180,700,863	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		600	D	26.584	1,180,700,263	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		700	D	26.5841	1,180,699,563	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		500	D	26.586	1,180,699,063	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		2,100	D	26.587	1,180,696,963	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		600	D	26.588	1,180,696,363	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		20,803	D	26.59	1,180,675,560	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		70,849	D	26.6	1,180,604,711	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		4,700	D	26.601	1,180,600,011	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		8,075	D	26.602	1,180,591,936	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		4,300	D	26.603	1,180,587,636	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		100	D	26.6031	1,180,587,536	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		200	D	26.604	1,180,587,336	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,000	D	26.6041	1,180,586,336	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,000	D	26.606	1,180,585,336	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		5,000	D	26.62	1,180,580,336	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		3,300	D	26.621	1,180,577,036	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		2,200	D	26.622	1,180,574,836	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		200	D	26.624	1,180,574,636	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		71,400	D	26.63	1,180,503,236	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,900	D	26.631	1,180,501,336	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		400	D	26.632	1,180,500,936	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		1,000	D	26.633	1,180,499,936	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2003		S		600	D	26.634	1,180,499,336(1)	D	

(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 Ta Date (Month/Day/Year)	Henrenderiva Execution Date, if any (e.g., p (Month/Day/Year)	titve S Transa UtSue 8)	ecuri action Asts,	itiesuated of Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		ifect TSISIS Expiration Da (NDTIMIDSy/1	Under Deriva	¥⊌∦Ities) _{ying}	8 Ovineti Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		(Jastr. 3, 4 and 5) Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	7. Title and Amount of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security	Transaction(s) UpitVative Securities	10. Ownership Form:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
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Explanatio	of Respons	es:				and 5					,		,		
1. In addition, there are 428,520 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these setting and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose. Code V (A) (D) Date Expiratic Michael Larson, on behalf of Date Date V (A) (D) Exercisable Date V (A) (D) Exercisable Date V (A) (D) Date Date V (A) (D) Date Date V (A) (D) Date Code V (A) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D) (D													on that the		
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	Authorized under power of														
	<u>attorney dated 3/14/2001 by</u> 07/25/2003														
William H. Gates III, filed on 3/19/2001 with Cascade															
Investment???s Schedule 13D,															
											No. 005		<u>,</u>		
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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