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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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1. Name and Addre	ess of Reporting Per HRISTOPHE		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROSOFT CORP</u> [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify
	(First) IFT CORPORAT OFT WAY	(Middle) TION	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2008	X Oncer (give the Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer
ONE MICROSOFT WAY (Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399 (City) (State) (Zip)		98052-6399 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ate Execution Date, Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and				(A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/29/2008		A		94,306 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	288,439	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2008		F		28,927	D	\$27.1	194,133	D	

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)		of Expiration D		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		e Amount of		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. Represents stock award which shall vest over 4 years at the rate of 25% on August 31, 2008, and then at the rate of 25% on each August 31 thereafter, subject to continued employment. Remarks:

> Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-09/03/2008 fact for Christopher P. Liddell Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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