FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GATES WILLIAM H III</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/14/2003									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board				
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St																		
4 =	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned L. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2. Transaction 2. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature																		
Da				Date			Execution Date,		Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		ed (A) of	nd 5)	Securiti Benefic Followii		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Pric	е	(Instr. 3			(eay	
Common	Stock			11/14/	2003				S		42,190	D	\$2	5.61	1,158	,099,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20)03			S		75,000	D	\$2	25.6	1,158	,024,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20)03			S		50,000	D	\$2	\$25.59 1		,974,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20)03			S		50,000	D	\$2	5.58	1,157	,924,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/2									S		58,000	D	\$2	5.57	1,157	,866,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/					2003	.003			S		117,400	D	\$2	\$25.56 1,1		,748,936	D		
Common Stock 11/1-					2003				S		25,000	D	\$2	\$25.55 1,		,723,936	D		
Common Stock 11/14/2					2003)03			S		50,600	D	\$2	\$25.53		,673,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/2					2003				S		48,100	D	\$2	5.52	1,157	,625,236	D		
Common Stock 11/14/2					2003	003			S		26,900	D	\$2	25.51 1,		,598,336	D		
Common Stock 11/14/2					2003				S		76,700	D	\$2	\$25.5 1,15		,521,636	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20									S		900	D	\$2	5.49	1,157	,520,736	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20									S		1,700	D	\$2	5.47	1,157	,519,036	D		
Common Stock 11/14/20									S		19,700	D	\$2	5.45	1,157,	499,336 ⁽¹⁾	D		
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/			on Date,	n Date, Transac Code (Ir		5. Number of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	or Numbe of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

1. In addition, there are 428,520 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

Michael Larson, on behalf of William H. Gates III. Authorized under power of attorney dated 3/14/2001 by William H. Gates III, filed on 3/19/2001 with Cascade Investment's Schedule 13D, SEC File No. 005-52919.

11/18/2003

** 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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