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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 GATES WIL	ss of Reporting Pers LIAM H III	son*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROSOFT CORP</u> [ MSFT ]		ationship of Reporting Per < all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2007		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep	porting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/27/2007		S		94,919	D	\$29.64	889,010,832	D		
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Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	85,528	D	\$29.63	888,925,304	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	80,992	D	\$29.62	888,844,312	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	46,245	D	\$29.61	888,798,067	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	37,495	D	\$29.6	888,760,572	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	30,812	D	\$29.59	888,729,760	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	15,024	D	\$29.58	888,714,736	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	12,800	D	\$29.57	888,701,936	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	920	D	\$29.56	888,701,016	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	13,147	D	\$29.55	888,687,869	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	10,053	D	\$29.54	888,677,816	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	16,980	D	\$29.53	888,660,836	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	900	D	\$29.52	888,659,936	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	3,700	D	\$29.51	888,656,236	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	10,000	D	\$29.5	888,646,236	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	19,600	D	\$29.49	888,626,636	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	11,500	D	\$29.48	888,615,136	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	11,650	D	\$29.47	888,603,486	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	26,450	D	\$29.46	888,577,036	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	23,700	D	\$29.45	888,553,336	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	4,000	D	\$29.44	888,549,336	D	
Common Stock	07/27/2007	S	50,000	D	\$29.4	888,499,336(1)	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)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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					

### Explanation of Responses:

1. In addition, there are 425,066 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 purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

#### **Remarks:**

\* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 3, 2006, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit 99.1 to Cascade Investment, L.L.C.'s Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13G with respect to Arch Capital Group Ltd. on March 7, 2006, SEC File No. 005-45257, and incorporated by reference herein.

William H. Gates III By: /s/Michael Larson\*, Attorney-In-07/31/2007Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  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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