FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	Address of F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]							(Che	ck all applicab Director			(s) to Issuer 10% Owr Other (sp				
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2005							X Senior Vice President					
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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		•	Table I - Non	-Deriva	ative S	Securities	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed of	, or Ben	eficially (	Owned					
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								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and			"	nstr. 4)	
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Common Stock													1,595	5(2)			By 01(k)	
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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/Yea	Transaction Code (Instr. ) 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		•			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numl derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followin Reporte Transac	ve ies ially ng	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Performance Rights	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>	05/19/2005		A		61,111(4)(5)		08/31/200	06 <sup>(6)</sup>	08/31/2008	Common Stock	61,111(4)(	5) \$0	61,111	1 <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	D		

# Explanation of Responses:

- 1, Includes 689 shares acquired on March 31, 2005 under the Microsoft Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 2. 401(k) balance as of April 30, 2005
- 3. 1-for-1
- 4. As a result of a promotion to Senior Vice President, the reporting person received an increase in the number of specified performance target shares under a shared performance stock award ("SPSA") previously reported on a Form 5 filed on August 13, 2004.
- 5. The number of shares ultimately received depends on the company's performance against specified performance targets. At the end of the performance period, the number of shares of stock and stock awards will be determined by adjusting upward or downward from a target in a range between 33% and 150%. The number reported herein is based on the 33% minimum. The final performance percentage on which the payout will be based, considering company performance metrics established for the performance period, will be determined by the board or a board committee in its sole discretion. Shares of stock are issued at the end of the performance period and as the stock awards vest over the following two years, provided that the reporting person remains continuously employed through the applicable vest date.
- 6. One-third of the number of shares of common stock ultimately awarded under the SPSA will be distributed to the reporting person on or about August 31, 2006 (the "initial vest date"), an additional one-third shall vest and distributed to the reporting person on each of the first and second anniversaries of the initial vest date, provided that the Reporting Person remains continuously employed through the applicable vesting date.

## Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Michelle J. Mathews

05/19/2005

\*\* 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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