FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SMITH BRADFORD L						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]									(Check all a				Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION ONE MICROSOFT WAY				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2008									Λ	below) below) Senior Vice President					
(Street) REDMO			08052-63 Zip)	399	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indiv ine) X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	eficia	ally (	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date			2. Transa Date (Month/D		Execution Date,					ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			nd 5)	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) Pr		Price	,	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/29/2					/2008	008		A		94,306(1)		A	\$	\$0 2		91,172	D		
Common Stock 08/29/2					/2008	008		F		600		D	\$27.29		290,572		D		
Common Stock 08/31/				/2008	2008		F		43,921		D	\$27.1		246,651		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. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,		Transaction Code (Instr. B)  Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		on Dat Day/Ye	ear)	O N		ı	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	ative rity	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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## **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-Fact for Bradford L. Smith

09/03/2008

\*\* 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).
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