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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 Address of Reporting Person* GATES WILLIAM H III (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROSOFT CORP</u> [ MSFT ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner
<b>、</b> ,	( )	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2008	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) REDMOND	WA	98052	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
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	Code (Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Owners Form: Dire (D) or Indi						

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of	Acquired (D) (Instr.	(A) or 3, 4 and 5)	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	05/09/2008		S		13,100	D	\$29.55	826,117,346	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		1,900	D	\$29.54	826,115,446	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		4,200	D	\$29.52	826,111,246	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		11,600	D	\$29.51	826,099,646	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		35,000	D	\$29.5	826,064,646	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		17,000	D	\$29.49	826,047,646	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		4,100	D	\$29.48	826,043,546	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		26,100	D	\$29.47	826,017,446	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		100	D	\$29.465	826,017,346	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		107,500	D	\$29.46	825,909,846	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		1,100	D	\$29.455	825,908,746	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		71,300	D	\$29.45	825,837,446	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		45,868	D	\$29.44	825,791,578	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		300	D	\$29.435	825,791,278	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		124,932	D	\$29.43	825,666,346	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		2,200	D	\$29.425	825,664,146	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		140,300	D	\$29.42	825,523,846	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		2,600	D	\$29.415	825,521,246	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		157,400	D	\$29.41	825,363,846	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		4,000	D	\$29.405	825,359,846	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		186,901	D	\$29.4	825,172,945	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		210,228	D	\$29.39	824,962,717	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		200	D	\$29.385	824,962,517	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		167,195	D	\$29.38	824,795,322	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		1,900	D	\$29.375	824,793,422	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		300	D	\$29.3725	824,793,122	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		230,662	D	\$29.37	824,562,460	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		2,000	D	\$29.365	824,560,460	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		1,000	D	\$29.3625	824,559,460	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2008		S		210,476	D	\$29.36	824,348,984(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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		d 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)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exercisable			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- 05/13/2008

Fact

\*\* 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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