FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	nd Address of		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)									
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(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION							t Tran	sact	tion (Mor	nth/C	ay/Year)		Offi bel	cer (give title w)	•	Other ( below)	specify				
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																						
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/l						ar) l	Exacution Date, f any Month/Day/Year)		·,	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				Secu Bene Own	rities ficially d Following	Forr (D) (	m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	v	Amount	(	A) or D)	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)					
Common	Stock														1,066		D					
Common	Stock													4,085		I	By Trust					
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned														1								
			(	(e.g., p	uts,	calls	s, warr	ants	s, o	ptions	, с	onverti	ble s	ecur	ities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, Transaction Code (Inst						Date Exer piration D pnth/Day/	Amount of			8. Price Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisable		epiration	Title	N O	Amount or Number of Shares							
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	08/15/2012			A		1,241	, ,		(2)		(2)	Comm	ion	1,241	\$0	2,301	(3)	D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Microsoft common stock.
- 2. The restricted stock units are fully vested. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will be made in equal installments on the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth anniversary of the reporting person's separation from service on the Board of Directors.
- 3. Includes 1 share as a result of accumulated fractional shares.

## Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-infact for John W. Thompson

08/17/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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