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Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF	С

TATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] MATHEW MICH			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROSOFT CORP</u> [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner V Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) ONE MICROS	(First) (Middle) GOFT WAY		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2004	Corporate Vice President
(Street) REDMOND	WA	98052-6399	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
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code (Instr.			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V Amount (A) or Price		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)		
Common Stock								28,072 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock								1,191 ⁽²⁾	Ι	By 401(k)
Common Stock	04/20/2004		x		1,200,000 ⁽³⁾	D	\$35.025	499,201	Ι	By Spouse

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)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Reported	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Put Option (Right to Sell)	\$35.025	04/20/2004		x			1,200,000	04/20/2004	04/20/2004	Common Stock	1,200,000	\$0	0	I	By Spouse
Call Option (Obligation to Sell)	\$49.3855	04/20/2004		Е	v		1,200,000	04/20/2004	04/20/2004	Common Stock	1,200,000	\$0	0	I	By Spouse

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 12 shares acquired on December 31, 2003 under the Microsoft Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

2. 401(k) balance as of March 31, 2004.

3. Represents the exercise of a put option under a "zero-cost collar" arrangement entered into by the reporting person's spouse on April 20, 2001.

Remarks:

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

04/21/2004

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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