## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>GATES WILLIAM H III</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]										olicable)	g Person(s) to I	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2014									Offic belov	er (give title v)	Other below	(specify )	
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi Line) X	´				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. 4. Securition Disposed (Code (Instr. 8)						ties cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/19/20						014		A		943(1)	A	\$0	.0000	317,9	992,107(2)	D		
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				wned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	n Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerc ion Da Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Der Sec (Ins	rice of ivative surity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents stock award which is fully vested on the date of grant.
- 2. In addition, there are 424,816 shares owned by the spouse of the reporting person. 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.

/s/ Alan Heuberger, Attorneyin-fact for William H. Gates III

05/20/2014

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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