FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BACH ROBERT J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]									(Check	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2003									X	Senior Vice President					
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399					4. If <i>i</i>	Amen	endment, 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 Re											ne Reportin	g Person			
			Table I - Nor	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	ecurities A	cquired,	Dis	spo	sed of	f, or	Benef	cially O	vned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			2A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Yo	Code (Insti		n I	Disposed Of		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)				7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	-	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and				,	
Common Stock														21,30	21,304		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)	action (Instr.	Der Sec Acq Dis	umber of ivative urities uired (A) or posed of (D) tr. 3, 4 and 5)	Expiration	. Date Exercisab expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		Securi		le and Amount of rities Underlying ative Security (Instr. I 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numl derivati Securit Benefic Owned Followi Reporte	ive ies cially ng	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	e	Exp Dat	piration te	Title	Nu	ount or mber of ares		Transac (Instr. 4	ction(s)			
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$42.9063 ⁽¹⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			24,000 ⁽¹⁾	07/30/2000) ⁽³⁾	07/	30/2006	Comn		24,000(1)	\$0.4154 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$44.9063 ⁽⁴⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			24,000 ⁽⁴⁾	11/22/2000) ⁽⁵⁾	11/	22/2009	Comn		24,000(4)	\$0.4069 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$45.3125 ⁽⁶⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			2,000,000 ⁽⁶⁾	09/06/2001	L (7)	03/	06/2010	Comn		000,000(6)	\$0.114 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$33.3125 ⁽⁸⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			24,000 ⁽⁸⁾	04/24/2001	_[(5)	04/	24/2010	Comn		24,000 ⁽⁸⁾	\$1.9644 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$33.3125 ⁽⁸⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			24,000 ⁽⁸⁾	04/24/2001	L ⁽³⁾	04/	24/2007	Comn		24,000 ⁽⁸⁾	\$1.9644 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$33.3125 ⁽⁹⁾	12/11/2003		J ⁽²⁾			1,000,000 ⁽⁹⁾	10/24/2001	L ⁽⁷⁾	04/	24/2010	Comn		000,000 ⁽⁹⁾	\$1.9644 ⁽²⁾	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$6.9141 ⁽¹⁰⁾							01/15/2000	(11)	07/	15/2006	Comn)71,360 ⁽¹⁰		1,071,3	360 ⁽¹⁰⁾	D		

Explanation of Responses:

\$27.9375⁽¹²⁾

Buy)
Employee

Option

(Right to

- 1. This option was previously reported as an option for 12,000 shares with an exercise price of \$85.8125 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.
- 2. The reporting person has elected to transfer these options to JPMorgan Chase Bank under the Microsoft Stock Option Transfer Program, which is described in the Schedule TO filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 15, 2003, as amended. The payment to the reporting person for each such option is reported in Item 8 of Table II of this Form 4. One-third of the total payment is expected to be paid no later than December 31, 2003. One-half of the remainder of the total payment, plus interest equivalent for this payment, is scheduled to be made in December 2005 and the remaining amount, plus interest equivalent for this payment, is schedule to be made in December 2006. The payments in 2005 and 2006 are contingent upon continued employment with Microsoft.

08/20/2002(7)

07/31/2012

Stock

1,000,000(12)

1,000,000(12)

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- 3. The option vests over 4-1/2 years at the rate of 12.5% after 12 months from the date of grant and then at the rate of 12.5% each 6 months thereafter.
- 4. This option was previously reported as an option for 12,000 shares with an exercise price of \$89.8125 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.
- 5. The option vests over 7 years at the rate of 7.7% after 12 months from the date of grant and then at the rate of 7.7% each 6 months thereafter.
- 6. This option was previously reported as an option for 1,000,000 shares with an exercise price of \$90.625 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.
- 7. The option vests over 5 years at the rate of 12.5% after 18 months from the date of grant and then at the rate of 12.5% each 6 months thereafter.
- 8. This option was previously reported as an option for 12,000 shares with an exercise price of \$66.625 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.
- 9. This option was previously reported as an option for 500,000 shares with an exercise price of \$66.625 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.

10. This option was previously reported as an option for 535,680 shares with an exercise price of \$13.8281 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.

11. The option vests 1/3 on 1/15/2000, 1/3 on 1/15/2002 and 1/3 on 1/15/2004.

12. This option was previously reported as an option for 500,000 shares with an exercise price of \$55.88 per share, but was adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 stock split effective February 14, 2003.

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Bach

12/12/2003

** 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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