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* <u>COURTOIS JEAN PHILIPPE</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]									lationship of ck all applica Director	able)	p Perso	10% Ow	ner
(Last) ONE MI	(F CROSOFT	irst) WAY	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2004								X	below)	Officer (give title below) Senior Vice President			pecify
(Street)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	ity) (State) (Zip)													Person					
		Та	ble I - No	n-Deri	vativ	ve Se	ecuri	ities Ac	quired,	Dis	posed c	f, or B	enefi	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		Transaction Dispos			rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			Beneficially Owned Followi		Form (D) o	Direct I Indirect E str. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock 01/08/						04			M		360,00	00 1	1 5	2.457	800	,240		D	
Common Stock															66,	666			By minor child
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			Table II -								osed of, converti				Owned		,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, T	I. Fransa Code (I		Derivative		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	•	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Cod	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of S		nt (Instr. 4) er	(0)			
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$2.457	01/08/2004			М			360,000	08/17/19	98 0	02/17/2004	Commo Stock	¹ 360),000	\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Jean-Philippe Courtois

01/09/2004

** 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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