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* SHIRLEY JON A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]								5. Relationship of Report (Check all applicable) X Director			rting Pe		Issuer Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2005									Office below	er (give titl v)	le Othe belo		r (specify v)	
(Street) REDMO			98052-6 Zip)	399	4. If	Ameno	iment,	Date o	of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 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. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5)			nd Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	Price	•	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 01/14/2					2005	005			G	V	2,300	D	\$	0	2,030,894			D		
Common Stock															1,308,940		I		Shirley Family Limited Partnership	
	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)	tive Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				4. Transac Code (I 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expirati (Month/	ion Da			De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Jon A. Shirley

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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