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*  GATES WILLIAM H III						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
GATES WILLIAM H III							[										Direc	ctor	10% (	Owner			
(Last) ONE MIC	(F CROSOFT	(First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2007										Office below	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify )			
,							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)																Line)	F		. D				
REDMOND WA 98052																		X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(2	Zip)													F 613						
			Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, oı	r Ber	nefic	ially	Owne	ed					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				4 and Secur Bene Owne		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		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)							
Common	Stock				02/21	/2007				S		70,000		D	\$28	3.99	923,	,729,336	D				
Common	Stock				02/21	/2007				S		10,000		D	\$28	3.96	923,	,719,336	D				
Common Stock				02/21/2007							83,251		D	\$28.95		923,636,085		D					
Common Stock				02/21/2007							36,749		D	\$28.94		923,599,336		D					
Common Stock				02/21/2007				S		10,000		D	\$28.92		923,589,336		D						
Common Stock					02/21/2007					S		50,000		D \$28.9		8.9	923,539,336		D				
Common Stock					02/21/2007				S		10,000		D	\$28.85		923,529,336		D					
Common Stock				02/21/2007				S		5,000		D	\$28.8		923,524,336		D						
Common Stock				02/21/2007					S		25,000		D	\$28.75		923,499,336(1)		D					
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year		3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		on of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4)		f ; g ! Instr. 3	Der Sec (Ins	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	umber									

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. In addition, there are 425,066 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. 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.

## Domarke:

\* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 3, 2006, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit 99.1 to Cascade Investment, L.L.C.'s Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13G with respect to Arch Capital Group Ltd. on March 7, 2006, SEC File No. 005-45257, and incorporated by reference herein.

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson\*, Attorney-In- 02/23/2007

Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Da

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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