## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

### FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) September 10, 2010

# **Microsoft Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Washington

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-14278

(Commission File Number)

One Microsoft Way, Redmond, Washington (Address of Principal Executive Offices) 91-1144442 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 98052-6399 (Zip Code)

(425) 882-8080

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On September 10, 2010, Stephen Elop, president of the Microsoft Business Division, resigned from the Company, effective immediately. Mr. Elop has accepted the position of chief executive officer of Nokia Corporation.

#### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ John A. Seethoff

John A. Seethoff Assistant Secretary

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Date: September 13, 2010