FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GATES WILLIAM H III						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]											olicable)	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/25/2016										er (give title w)		ther ( elow)	specify
(Street) REDMOND WA 9805 (City) (State) (Zip)				2	4. l	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (C Line)  X Form filed by One Reportin  Form filed by More than Or Person											Reporting	Pers	on	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of S	2. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y	'ear)   i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		), T	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and				. Benefi		ties cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								ode	v	Amount	(A) (D)	) or )	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 10/25/20						5			S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,700,00	) [	D	\$60.99	)22 <sup>(2)</sup>	188,292,934 <sup>(3)</sup>		D		
		Та	ble	II - Derivat (e.g., p							sposed c , conver					wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	e Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)  Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code 8)	ansaction of ode (Instr. Derivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date				Title moun ecurit nderly erivat ecurit nd 4)	it of ties ying	t		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct ( or Indir (I) (Inst	D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The sales reported in this filing were made pursuant to the 10b5-1 sales plan of the reporting person.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$60.8350 to \$61.2750. The price set forth above reflects the weighted-average price per share. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.
- 3. In addition, there are 424,816 shares owned by the spouse of the reporting person. 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.

/s/ Alan Heuberger, Attorneyin-fact for William H. Gates III

10/27/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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