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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LEVY ALAN J | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG] | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/22/2021 | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| 1020 KIFER ROAD | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | |
| (Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086 | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|---------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2021 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 3,000 | A | \$71.3233 | 27,282 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2021 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 3,000 | D | \$339.6375 ⁽³⁾ | 24,282 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2021 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 4,500 | A | \$56.9744 | 28,782 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/22/2021 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 4,500 | D | \$339.6375 ⁽³⁾ | 24,282 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

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) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$56.9744 | 10/22/2021 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | | 4,500 | (4) | 04/23/2025 | Common Stock | 4,500 | \$0.00 | 0 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$71.3233 | 10/22/2021 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | | 3,000 | (5) | 04/21/2026 | Common Stock | 3,000 | \$0.00 | 465 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares were sold in accordance with a Trading Plan that complies with SEC Rule 10b5-1 and expires on December 1, 2021.
- On October 5, 2021, the common stock and equity grants of Intuitive Surgical split 3-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of the company's stock and equity grants to increase (for every one share owned or granted, 2 additional shares were issued) and the exercise price of stock option grants to decrease to 1/3rd of the original grant price.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$338.29 to \$341.38 as follows: 1,400 shares sold at \$338.19 to \$338.98; 4,306 shares sold at \$339.06 to \$339.98; 1,594 shares sold at \$340.01 to \$340.83; 200 shares sold at \$341 to \$341.38. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each respective price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 100% one year after the date of grant or at the next Shareholders Meeting, whichever should take place first, provided that vesting will cease on termination of the Directors service to the Company.
- 100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest on the earlier of the one year anniversary of the date of grant or the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service as a director to the issuer.

By: Donna Spinola For: Alan J Levy 10/26/2021

** 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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