

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Samath Jamie | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) VP & Principal Accounting Offi | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2019 | | 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 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 59 | A | \$238.9133 | 636 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 59 | D | \$544 | 577 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 35 | A | \$230.9967 | 612 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 35 | D | \$544 | 577 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 35 | A | \$178.3867 | 612 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 35 | D | \$544 | 577 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 50 | A | \$177.6833 | 627 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 50 | D | \$544 | 577 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 49 | A | \$171.3333 | 626 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 49 | D | \$544 | 577 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M ⁽²⁾ | | 843 | A | \$0.0 | 1,420 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | F ⁽²⁾ | | 370 | D | \$0.0 | 1,050 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | M ⁽³⁾ | | 730 | A | \$0.0 | 1,780 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/19/2019 | | F ⁽³⁾ | | 362 | D | \$0.0 | 1,418 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/20/2019 | | S | | 1,339 | D | \$546.6068 | 79 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2019 | | M | | 431 | A | \$418.56 | 510 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 431 | D | \$550 | 79 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2019 | | M | | 238 | A | \$328.4567 | 317 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2019 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 238 | D | \$550 | 79 | 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) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$171.3333 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | 49 | | (4) | 02/17/2025 | Common Stock | 49 | \$0.0 | 0 | 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$177.6833 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | | 50 | (5) | 08/17/2025 | Common Stock | 50 | \$0.0 | 0 | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$178.3867 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | | 35 | (4) | 02/16/2026 | Common Stock | 35 | \$0.0 | 421 | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$230.9967 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | | 35 | (5) | 08/15/2026 | Common Stock | 35 | \$0.0 | 423 | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$238.9133 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | | 59 | (4) | 02/15/2027 | Common Stock | 59 | \$0.0 | 1,426 | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$328.4567 | 02/21/2019 | | M | | | 238 | (5) | 08/15/2027 | Common Stock | 238 | \$0.0 | 1,424 | D | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$418.56 | 02/21/2019 | | M | | | 431 | (4) | 02/15/2028 | Common Stock | 431 | \$0.0 | 1,294 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$0.0 | 02/19/2019 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | | 730 | (6) | 02/17/2019 | Common Stock | 730 | \$0.0 | 0 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$0.0 | 02/19/2019 | | M | | | 843 | (6) | 02/17/2020 | Common Stock | 843 | \$0.0 | 843 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares were sold in accordance with a Trading Plan that complies with SEC Rule 10b5-1 and expires on November 4, 2019.
- On 2/16/16, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the vest date on a one-for-one basis. On 2/16/19, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account.
- On 2/17/15, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the vest date on a one-for-one basis. On 2/17/19, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 7/48 one month after the date of grant and 1/48th each month thereafter.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share of Intuitive Surgical common stock. The grant vests 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and annually thereafter, over a four year period of time.

By: Lori Serrano For: Jamie Samath 02/21/2019

** 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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