

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>MELTZER MARK J</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>1020 KIFER ROAD</b>  (Street) <b>SUNNYVALE CA 94086</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ ISRG ]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>SVP General Counsel &amp; CCO</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>02/17/2017</b>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	02/17/2017		M		569	A	\$0.0	2,274	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2017		F <sup>(1)</sup>		217	D	\$0.0	2,057	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		500	A	\$0.0	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		1,500	A	\$334.3	4,057	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		S <sup>(2)</sup>		1,500	D	\$724.636	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		750	A	\$334.3	3,307	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		S <sup>(2)</sup>		750	D	\$724.468	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		750	A	\$334.3	3,307	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		S <sup>(2)</sup>		750	D	\$724.5687	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		750	A	\$334.3	3,307	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		S <sup>(2)</sup>		750	D	\$724.6327	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M		5,000	A	\$383.73	7,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		S <sup>(2)</sup>		5,000	D	\$725	2,557	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		F <sup>(3)</sup>		261	D	\$0.0	2,296	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
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$334.3	02/21/2017		M			1,500	(4)	02/16/2020	Common Stock	1,500	\$0.0	10,250	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$334.3	02/21/2017		M			750	(4)	02/16/2020	Common Stock	750	\$0.0	9,500	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)	\$334.3	02/21/2017		M			750	(4)	02/16/2020	Common Stock	750	\$0.0	8,750	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$334.3	02/21/2017		M			750	(4)	02/16/2020	Common Stock	750	\$0.0	8,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$383.73	02/21/2017		M			5,000	(5)	08/15/2023	Common Stock	5,000	\$0.0	1,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0	02/21/2017		M			500	(6)	02/18/2018	Common Stock	500	\$0.0	500	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0.0	02/17/2017		M			569	(6)	02/17/2019	Common Stock	569	\$0.0	1,137	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 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 2/17/17, 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
- These shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan, entered into on June 3, 2016.
- On 2/18/14, 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 2/21/17, 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 2000 Employee Stock Option Plan. Option shall vest 1/8 six months after the date of grant and 1/48th each month 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: Mark J Meltzer      02/22/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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

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\*\* 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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