INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** GUTHART GARY S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	_X_ Director 10% Owner		
1020 KIFER ROAD (Street)			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
			02/17/2017			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SUNNYVALE, CA 94086				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/17/2017		M	867	A	\$0	70,728	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2017		F <u>(1)</u>	453	D	\$ 0	70,275	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M	625	A	\$0	70,900	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		F(2)	327	D	\$0	70,573	D	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D	or osed o) r. 3, 4,	Expiration Date e (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/21/2017		M		625	(3)	02/18/2018	Common Stock	625
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/17/2017		M		867	(3)	02/17/2019	Common Stock	867

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GUTHART GARY S 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	X		President & CEO					

Signatures

Gary S Guthart 02/22/2017

**Signature of Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- 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

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- 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 (2) 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
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share (3) 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.

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