Samath Jamie
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Samath Jamie

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1020 KIFER ROAD

(Street)

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/24/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP & Principal Accounting Offi

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ 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	10/24/2017		M		474	A	$ 238.9133	474 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		S(2)		474	D	$ 371.1863	0 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		M		104	A	$ 230.9967	104 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		S(2)		104	D	$ 371.1863	0 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		M		108	A	$ 178.3867	108 (1)	D	

Common Stock	10/24/2017	S[(2)]	108	D	$ 371.1863	0 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	M	145	A	$ 177.6833	145 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	S[(2)]	145	D	$ 371.1863	0 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	M	148	A	$ 171.3333	148 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	S[(2)]	148	D	$ 371.1863	0 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	M	292	A	$ 153.0467	292 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	S[(2)]	292	D	$ 371.1863	0 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	M	293	A	$ 148.03	293 [(1)]	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017	S[(2)]	293	D	$ 371.1863	0 [(1)]	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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 148.03	10/24/2017		M			293	[(3)]	02/18/2024	Common Stock	293
Non-Qualified	$	10/24/2017		M			292	[(4)]	08/15/2024	Common	292

Stock Option (right to buy)	153.0467								Stock	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 171.3333	10/24/2017		M	148	(3)	02/17/2025	Common Stock	148
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 177.6833	10/24/2017		M	145	(4)	08/17/2025	Common Stock	145
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 178.3867	10/24/2017	(1)	M	108	(3)	02/16/2026	Common Stock	108
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 230.9967	10/24/2017		M	104	(4)	08/15/2026	Common Stock	104
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	$ 238.9133	10/24/2017		M	474	(3)	02/15/2027	Common Stock	474

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Samath Jamie 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086			VP & Principal Accounting Offi	

Signatures

Jamie Samath	10/24/2017
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) On October 6, 2017, 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.

(2) These shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan, entered into on May 5, 2017.

(3) 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.

(4) 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.

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