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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LEVY ALAN J Issuer Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC (Check all applicable) [ISRG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 1020 KIFER ROAD 10/24/2017 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acquir	ed, 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) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		Code V M	Amount 936	or (D)	Price \$ 123.7733	(Instr. 3 and 4) 7,575 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		S(2)	936	D	\$ 371.3504	6,639 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017		M	2,061	A	\$ 119.0633	8,700 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2017(1)		S(2)	2,061	D	\$ 371.3504	6,639	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)	5. Number on f 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 Underlying Securitie (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)	\$ 119.0633	10/24/2017	<u>(1)</u>	M	2,061	(3)	04/21/2021	Common Stock	2,06
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 123.7733	10/24/2017		M	936	(3)	04/24/2024	Common Stock	936

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Namess	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
LEVY ALAN J 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086	X						

Signatures

By: Lori Serrano For: Alan J Levy 10/25/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- On October 6, 2017, the common stock and equity grants of Intuitive Surgical split 3-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership (1) 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 November 29, 2016.

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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.

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