MICROSOFT CORP

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GATES WILLIAM H III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
ONE MICROSO	OFT WAY		(Month/Day/Year) 08/02/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman of the Board		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
REDMOND, W	'A 98052		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	${\bf (Zip)} \qquad \qquad {\bf Table~I-Non-Derivative~Securities~Acquired, Disposed~of, or~Beneficially~Owned}$								
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. Securitie our Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (E		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	(D)	Price	(mstr. 3 and 1)	(msu. 1)		
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	3,100	D	\$ 26.43	425,066 (1)	I	By Spouse	
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	99,000	D	\$ 26.89	1,027,400,336	D		
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	31,245	D	\$ 26.88	1,027,369,091	D		
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	6,100	D	\$ 26.87	1,027,362,991	D		
Common Stock	08/02/2005		S	292,900	D	\$ 26.86	1,027,070,091	D		
	08/02/2005		S	124,000	D		1,026,946,091	D		

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Common Stock					\$ 26.85		
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	108,000	D	\$ 26.84	1,026,838,091	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	135,152	D	\$ 26.83	1,026,702,939	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	150,000	D	\$ 26.82	1,026,552,939	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	255,973	D	\$ 26.81	1,026,296,966	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	247,630	D	\$ 26.8	1,026,049,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 26.79	1,025,999,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	60,000	D	\$ 26.74	1,025,939,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	90,000	D	\$ 26.72	1,025,849,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 26.71	1,025,799,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 26.65	1,025,749,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	100,000	D	\$ 26.6	1,025,649,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	65,000	D	\$ 26.58	1,025,584,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	35,000	D	\$ 26.56	1,025,549,336	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	83,200	D	\$ 26.55	1,025,466,136	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	82,900	D	\$ 26.53	1,025,383,236	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	250,000	D	\$ 26.52	1,025,133,236	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	300,000	D	\$ 26.51	1,024,833,236	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	225,000	D	\$ 26.5	1,024,608,236	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	107,800	D	\$ 26.49	1,024,500,436	D
	08/02/2005	S	1,100	D		1,024,499,336	D

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Common Stock					\$ 26.47		
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	8,100	D	\$ 26.45	1,024,491,236	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	3,100	D	\$ 26.44	1,024,488,136	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	18,500	D	\$ 26.43	1,024,469,636	D
Common Stock	08/02/2005	S	46,500	D	\$ 26.42	1,024,423,136	D

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GATES WILLIAM H III ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052	X		Chairman of the Board					

Signatures

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*, Attorney-In-Fact

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- (1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 4, 2005, by an Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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