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FORM 4

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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 * Andersen Reiter Kara | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|--|----------|----------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) 1020 KIFER F | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2019 | Director 10% Owner Selfont of the control of the | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
| SUNNYVALE, CA 94086 | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-D |)erivative | Secui | rities Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|------------|-----------|--------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | recution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) y Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | d of (D) | 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) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | M(1) | 675 | A | \$0 | 4,463 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | F(1) | 234 | D | \$ 521.95 | 4,229 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | M(2) | 438 | A | \$ 0 | 4,667 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/15/2019 | | F(2) | 207 | D | \$ 548.5 | 4,460 | 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Shar |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 548.5 | 02/15/2019 | | A | 1,313 | (3) | 02/15/2029 | Common Stock | 1,3 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/15/2019 | | M | 675 | <u>(1)</u> | 02/15/2021 | Common Stock | 67 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/15/2019 | | M | 438 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/15/2022 | Common Stock | 43 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/15/2019 | | A | 2,625 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/15/2029 | Common Stock | 2,6 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Ketationships | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |

Andersen Reiter Kara 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

Sr VP General Counsel & CCO

Signatures

Kara Andersen
Reiter

**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).

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- On 2/15/17, 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 2/15/19, 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
- On 2/15/18, 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 2/15/19, 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
- (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.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share (4) 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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