

FIRST SOLAR, INC.
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ANTOUN GEORGES

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O FIRST SOLAR INC., 350
WEST WASHINGTON STREET,
SUITE 600

(Street)

TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/05/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President, US

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M		3,440 (1)	A	\$ 0 3,440 D
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M		3,500 (2)	A	\$ 0 6,940 D
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F		941 (3)	D	\$ 69.52 5,999 D
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F		1,334 (3)	D	\$ 69.52 4,665 D
Common Stock	03/07/2016		S		2,865 (4)	D	\$ 68.96 1,800 D

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Common Stock	03/07/2016	S	1,800 <u>(4)</u>	D	<u>(5)</u> \$ 69.70 <u>(6)</u>	D
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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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	03/05/2016		M	3,440	<u>(8)</u> <u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	3,440
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	03/05/2016		M	3,500	<u>(9)</u> <u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	3,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ANTOUN GEORGES C/O FIRST SOLAR INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244			President, US	

Signatures

/s/ Peter C. Bartolino,
Attorney-in-fact

03/08/2016

 **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).
- (1) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2014.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2015.
- (3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (4) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person on August 20, 2015.
- (5) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$68.44 to \$69.41. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (6) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$69.46 to \$69.97. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (7) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the Issuer's common stock in accordance with the Issuer's 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (8) The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2014 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (9) The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2015 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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