

SPROTT FOCUS TRUST INC.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
**GEORGE W WHITNEY**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SPROTT ASSET  
MANAGEMENT USA INC., 1910  
PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE  
200

(Street)

CARLSBAD, CA 92008

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SPROTT FOCUS TRUST INC.  
[FUND]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/05/2017

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)  
Senior Portfolio Manager

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                                      |
| Common Stock                    | 01/05/2017                           |  | P                              |   | 50,000  | A  | \$ 7.1007                                  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,220,438   | I  | Held by Spouse                             |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 515,478   | I  | Held by Children                           |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 232,999   | I  | Held by Trust <sup>(1)</sup>               |

|              |  |        |   |                              |
|--------------|--|--------|---|------------------------------|
| Common Stock |  | 86,269 | I | Held by Trust <sup>(2)</sup> |
|--------------|--|--------|---|------------------------------|

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
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## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

GEORGE W WHITNEY  
C/O SPROTT ASSET MANAGEMENT USA INC.  
1910 PALOMAR POINT WAY, SUITE 200  
CARLSBAD, CA 92008

X                      X                      Senior Portfolio Manager

## Signatures

/s/ W. Whitney                      01/06/2017  
George

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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) Shares held in The Mallory Descendant's Trust U/T/A DTD 12/31/2013 (the "Trust"). Mr. George serves as trustee of the Trust and, in such capacity, has investment and voting discretion over shares by the Trust. Mr. George's spouse has a pecuniary interest in the Trust.
- (2) Shares held in The TDM & BBM Trust U/T/A DTD 3/25/2013. Mr. George serves as trustee of the TDM & BBM Trust.

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