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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Samath Jamie			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) SVP of Finance <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2020			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
1020 KIFER ROAD			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086								
(City) (State) (Zip)								

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		36	A	\$522.77	243	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		36	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		36	A	\$418.56	243	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		36	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		59	A	\$328.4567	266	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S		59	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		60	A	\$238.9133	267	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		60	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		30	A	\$548.5	237	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		30	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		156	A	\$533.96	363	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		156	D	\$778	207	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾		30	A	\$499.87	237	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2020		S ⁽¹⁾		30	D	\$778	207	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$238.9133	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			60	(2)	02/15/2027	Common Stock	60	\$0.0	178	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$328.4567	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			59	(3)	08/15/2027	Common Stock	59	\$0.0	178	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$418.56	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			36	(2)	02/15/2028	Common Stock	36	\$0.0	539	D	

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(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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$499.87	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			30	(3)	08/15/2029	Common Stock	30	\$0.0	815	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$522.77	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			36	(3)	08/15/2028	Common Stock	36	\$0.0	539	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$533.96	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			156	(2)	02/28/2030	Common Stock	156	\$0.0	682	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$548.5	12/07/2020		M ⁽¹⁾			30	(4)	02/15/2029	Common Stock	30	\$0.0	816	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- These shares were exercised and sold in accordance with a Trading Plan that complies with SEC Rule 10b5-1 and expires on November 8, 2021.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Incentive Award Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Incentive Award Plan. Option shall vest 7/48 one month after the date of grant and 1/48 each month thereafter.
- Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Incentive Awards Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.

By: Donna Spinola For: Jamie Samath 12/08/2020

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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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