FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940	
Name and Address of Reporting Person*     DeSantis Robert	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ ISRG ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1020 KIFER ROAD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2022	X Officer (give title Officer Specify below)  EVP & Chief Product Officer
(Street) SUNNYVALE CA 94086 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X 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 Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			3, 4 and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Followir		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount			Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>		597	A	\$245.6	1,689	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		S <sup>(1)</sup>		597	D	\$261.64	1,092	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>		273	A	\$242.3367	1,365	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		S <sup>(1)</sup>		273	D	\$261.64	1,092	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>		270	A	\$179.7	1,362	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		S <sup>(1)</sup>		270	D	\$261.64	1,092	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>		270	A	\$177.9867	1,362	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2022		S <sup>(1)</sup>		270	D	\$261.64	1,092	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. Transa Code ( 8)		of		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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$177.9867	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>			270	(2)	02/28/2030	Common Stock	270	\$0.0	2,358	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$179.7	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>			270	(3)	05/11/2030	Common Stock	270	\$0.0	2,808	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$242.3367	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>			273	(4)	08/28/2030	Common Stock	273	\$0.0	2,352	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$245.6	01/25/2022		M <sup>(1)</sup>			597	(2)	02/26/2031	Common Stock	597	\$0.0	7,272	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These shares were sold in accordance with a Trading Plan that complies with SEC Rule 10b5-1 and expires on June 1, 2022.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Incentive Award Plan. The grant vests 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and monthly thereafter, over a four year period of time.
- 4. 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.

## **DeSantis**

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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