INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

Form 4

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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 * SMITH LONNIE M		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC [ISRG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1266 KIFER	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012	X Director 10% Owner Start Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board			
	(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) (Z	(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 onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G	55	D	\$ 0 (1)	291,495	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G	55	D	\$ 0 (2)	291,440	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G	55	D	\$ 0 (3)	291,385	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G	55	D	\$ 0 (4)	291,330	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012		G	55	D	\$ 0 (5)	291,275	D	

Common Stock

95,681

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.		5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code		of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative					Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security					Acquired					
	·					(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
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							Date	Expiration		or	
							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number	
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				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH LONNIE M

1266 KIFER ROAD X Chairman of the Board

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

Signatures

Lonnie M. Smith 02/13/2012

**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) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Catherine Smith Howell ACF Elizabeth Diane Howell U/MN/UTMA.
- (2) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Catherine Smith Howell ACF Colton J. Howell U/MN/UTMA.

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- (3) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Rebecca S. Eggleston ACF Brooks D. Eggleston U/CO/UTMA.
- (4) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Maryam Smith Keyser ACF Elizabeth Cade S. Keyser U/TX/UTMA.
- (5) These shares were gifted from the account of Lonnie Smith & Cheryl Smith, Community Property to Michael Smith ACF Weston Davis Smithl U/CA/UTMA.

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