Brogna Salvatore Form 4 February 16, 2018

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person **
Brogna Salvatore

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

[ISRG]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2018

1020 KIFER ROAD

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner ____ X__ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

below) below)

EVP & Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

(City)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ties Aco	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transaction	4. Securi		r	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed	` '	<i>'</i>	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A)		Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/15/2018		M(1)	1,500	A	\$0	2,987	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2018		F(1)	550	D	\$0	2,437	D		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 418.56	02/15/2018		A	6,250		(2)	02/15/2028	Common Stock	6
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/15/2018		M	1,	,500	<u>(3)</u>	02/15/2021	Common Stock	1
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/15/2018		A	4,167		(3)	02/15/2022	Common Stock	4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Brogna Salvatore 1020 KIFER ROAD SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

EVP & Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

By: Lori Serrano For: Salvatore J
Brogna
02/16/2018

**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).
- On 2/15/2017, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the vest date (1) on a one-for-one basis. On 2/15/18, 25% of the shares were released and a portion of the shares were held back to cover the statutory tax withholding requirement. The net shares were deposited into the holders account.
- (2) Non-statutory stock option granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan. The option vests 1/8th six months after the date of grant and 1/48th monthly thereafter.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share (3) of Intuitive Surgical common stock. The grant vests 25% on the first anniversary of the date of grant and annually thereafter, over a four year period of time.

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