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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

KANIA DON R

(Last)

Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[ISRG]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 1020 KIFER ROAD

07/31/2018

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

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 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4. **Expiration Date** Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Underlying Securities** Transactionof or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security Code any Derivative

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 508.19	07/31/2018		A		647		<u>(1)</u>	07/31/2028	Common Stock	647
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	07/31/2018		A		215		(2)	07/31/2019	Common Stock	215

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KANIA DON R								
1020 KIFER ROAD	X							
SUNNYVALE, CA 94086								

Signatures

Don Raymond
Kania

**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).
- (1) Options will vest 100% on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) RSUs will vest 100% on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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