

COURTOIS JEAN PHILIPPE
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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 *
COURTOIS JEAN PHILIPPE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/10/2004

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

ONE MICROSOFT WAY

Senior Vice President

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
11/12/2004

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

REDMOND, WA 98052-6399

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) Amount Price | 440,160 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) Amount Price | 66,133 | I | Held through "contrats de capitalization" (1) |
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|--------------|------------|--|---|---------|---|----------|---------|--|--|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | Held through "contrats de capitalization" <u>(1)</u> | |
| Common Stock | 11/10/2004 | | S | 722,912 | D | \$ 29.72 | 0 | I | By Trust <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | 11/10/2004 | | P | 239,899 | A | \$ 29.39 | 239,899 | I | Held through "contrats d'assurance vie" <u>(3)</u> |

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. 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Equity Swap (Obligation to Purchase) | \$ 29.72 | 11/10/2004 | | J/K ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾ | 1 | 05/16/2005 | 05/16/2005 | Common Stock | 722,912 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| COURTOIS JEAN PHILIPPE ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052-6399 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Jean-Philippe
Courtois

11/24/2004

__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) Held through "contrats de capitalization," a form of life insurance program for the benefit of the reporting person's three minor children, where the reporting person maintains investment control over the Microsoft shares held in the program. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(2) The reporting person is the Settlor of the Trust and not a Trustee or beneficiary of the Trust. The reporting person therefore disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by the Trust, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(3) Held through "contrats d'assurance vie," a form of life insurance program, where the reporting person maintains investment control over the Microsoft shares held in the program. Beneficiaries of the program include the reporting person's minor children. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(4) On November 10, 2004, the Trust entered into an equity swap agreement with a securities broker covering 722,912 Microsoft shares (the "Shares") under which, on the expiration date of the agreement (May 16, 2005), one of the following will occur: (i) if the market price of Microsoft stock on the expiration date is above \$29.72, the broker will pay the Trust an amount equal to the difference between the market price and \$29.72 multiplied by the number of Shares; (ii) if the market price of Microsoft stock on the expiration date is below \$29.72, the Trust will pay the broker an amount equal to the difference between \$29.72 and the market price multiplied by the number of Shares; or (iii) if the market price on the expiration date equals \$29.72, no payment will be made by either party. An amount equal to any dividends payable on the Shares during the term of the agreement will be paid in cash by the broker to the Trust, less applicable withholding taxes.

(5) During the term of the agreement, the Trust will pay the broker a fee equal to the 3-month USD LIBOR rate plus 10 basis points multiplied by the value of the Shares.

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