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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Brogna Salvatore Issuer Symbol INTUITIVE SURGICAL INC (Check all applicable) [ISRG] (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1020 KIFER ROAD 02/16/2018 EVP & Chief Operating Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

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(City)	(State) (2	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)	on Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)		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			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 5 und 1)			
Common Stock	02/16/2018		M <u>(1)</u>	2,437	A	\$0	4,874	D		
Common Stock	02/16/2018		F(1)	1,209	D	\$0	3,665	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2018		M(2)	2,274	A	\$0	5,939	D		
Common Stock	02/17/2018		F(2)	1,128	D	\$0	4,811	D		
Common Stock	02/18/2018		M(3)	1,560	A	\$ 0	6,371	D		

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Common 02/18/2018 $F^{(3)}$ 774 D Stock

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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 coof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/18/2018		M	1,560	<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2018	Common Stock	1,560
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/17/2018		M	2,274	<u>(4)</u>	02/17/2019	Common Stock	2,274
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/16/2018		M	2,437	<u>(4)</u>	02/17/2020	Common Stock	2,437

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Brogna Salvatore 1020 KIFER ROAD

EVP & Chief Operating Officer

SUNNYVALE, CA 94086

Signatures

By: Lori Serrano For: Salvatore J 02/21/2018 Brogna

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

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- * 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 2/16/16, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the vest date on a one-for-one basis. On 2/16/18, 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
- On 2/17/15, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the grant date (2) on a one-for-one basis. On 2/17/18, 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
- On 2/18/14, RSU shares were granted, vesting 25% per year over a four year period. RSUs convert into common stock on the grant date (3) on a one-for-one basis. On 2/18/18, 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.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit, granted pursuant to the 2010 Employee Stock Option Plan, represents a contingent right to receive one share (4) 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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