GATES WILLIAM H III

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *_ GATES WILLIAM H III			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	(Chech an approach)		
ONE MICROS	OFT WAY		(Month/Day/Year) 11/07/2005	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
REDMOND, V	VA 98052		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	equired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	ansaction Disposed of (D) ode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities O Beneficially Fo Owned Following D	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	200,000	D	\$ 27.05	1,013,299,336	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	100,000	D	\$ 27.01	1,013,199,336	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	50,000	D	\$ 27	1,013,149,336	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	50,000	D	\$ 26.99	1,013,099,336	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	100,000	D	\$ 26.98	1,012,999,336	D	
	11/07/2005		S	100,250	D		1,012,899,086	D	

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Common Stock					\$ 26.97		
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	124,750	D	\$ 26.96	1,012,774,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	225,000	D	\$ 26.95	1,012,549,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	25,000	D	\$ 26.93	1,012,524,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	25,000	D	\$ 26.92	1,012,499,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	25,000	D	\$ 26.91	1,012,474,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	25,000	D	\$ 26.9	1,012,449,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	100,000	D	\$ 26.87	1,012,349,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	100,000	D	\$ 26.86	1,012,249,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	100,000	D	\$ 26.85	1,012,149,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 26.82	1,012,099,336	D
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	600,000	D	\$ 26.8	1,011,499,336 (1)	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or	3	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo
					Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		T.J		Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)		Title		

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Date Expiration Exercisable Date

or Number of Shares

Amount

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GATES WILLIAM H III ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052	X		Chairman of the Board				

Signatures

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*, Attorney-In-Fact

**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).
- In addition, there are 425,066 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 4, 2005, by an Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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