FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
PAPADOPOULOS STELIOS					1					. 1					2	C Directo	or		10% O	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS, INC 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2006										Officer below)	(give title		Other (below)	specify		
					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94			94083-0511								,	Line)					n			
(City)	(S	State)	(Zip)																	
		Tal	ble I - Nor	ו-Deriv	ativ	/e Se	curitie	es Ac	quired	, Dis	pos	ed of	f, or	Ben	eficially	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans: Date (Month/L				Execution		n Date	, Transaction Dis Code (Instr. 5)		A. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 D)			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F Reporte	es ally Following	Form	nership : Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Am	nount	(A) or D)	Price	Transaci (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
	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)			ransa ode (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)				of Se Unde Deriv	ecuritie erlying vative \$ r. 3 and	Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

or Number Date Expiration of Shares Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Option Commo \$10.52 05/02/2006 10,000 05/02/2006⁽¹⁾ 05/01/2016 10,000 10,000 D \$<mark>0</mark> (right to buy) Α Stock

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Non-Employee Directors' Plan. The option is exercisable immediately subject to repurchase provisions, and will vest monthly over the following year.

/s/ George Scangos, Attorney in 05/03/2006

Fact ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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