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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* WILLSEY LANCE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EXELIXIS INC</u> [EXEL]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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	ELIXIS, IN	irst) C ζ, PO BOX 511	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2006							Officer below)	Officer (give title below)		Other (sp below)				
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Option (right to buy)	\$10.52	05/02/2006		A		10,000		05/02/2006 ⁽¹⁾	05/01/2016	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	10,000	D	

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.

<u>/s/ George Scangos, Attorney in</u> 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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