FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MORRISSEY MICHAEL M						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>EXELIXIS INC</b> [ EXEL ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2003									X Office below	,		Other (specify below)  ry Research	
(Street)					4. If <i>i</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St	(State) (Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	e I - Non-D	Deriva	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	ally Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					ay/Year)   Execut		A. Deem recution any lonth/Da	Date,			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				d 5) Secu Bene	ficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										v	Amount	(A (C	A) or D)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 05/22/2					/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 05		5/22/2	003(1)	S <sup>(1)</sup>		1,000(1	1) ]	D <sup>(1)</sup>	7.7	5 <sup>(1)</sup> 5	3,640(1)	D <sup>(1)</sup>		
	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 Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Date, 1	Code (Instr		n of		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. : and 4)		str. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Sha	nber					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1.\ Includes\ 1306\ shares\ acquired\ on\ 10/31/00\ and\ 750\ shares\ acquired\ on\ 4/30/01\ through\ Issuer's\ ESPP.\ Includes\ 61500\ shares\ 15470\ subject\ to\ repurchase.$ 

Michael M Morrissey 05/23/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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