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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WELSH MARK A III						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHROP GRUMMAN CORP /DE/ NOC]										all app Direc	olicable) ctor	10%	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2980 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2018										Office below	er (give title w)	Other belov	(specify /)	
	FALLS		22042		4. If	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						y/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Trans Code 8)	action	4. Securiti Disposed	ies Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		(A) or 3, 4 an	nd 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 Stock 05/16/2018 J ⁽¹⁾ 483 ⁽¹⁾ A \$321.16 1,375 ⁽²⁾ D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares of common stock deferred into a stock unit account pursuant to the Northrop Grumman 2011 Long-Term Incentive Stock Plan in a transaction exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3.
- 2. Total amount includes dividends earned on shares held in stock unit account, which transactions were exempt from Section 16 and not reportable under rule 16a-11.

/s/ Jennifer C. McGarey, Attorney-in-Fact

05/18/2018

** 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).
- ** 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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