VINIAR DAVID A Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VINIAR DAVID A

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/ [GS]

(Check all applicable)

C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO., 85 BROAD STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

03/28/2005

Executive VP - CFO

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK,, NY 10004

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securiti	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/28/2005		J <u>(1)</u> V	25,294	A (1)	\$ 0	1,067,201	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	03/28/2005		J(2) V	29,716	A (2)	\$ 0	33,716	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01							7,083	I	See footnote (3)

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per share

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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. tionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	/ (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VINIAR DAVID A C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 85 BROAD STREET NEW YORK,, NY 10004

Executive VP - CFO

Signatures

/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-fact 03/30/2005

**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).
- Reflects the distribution of 25,294 shares of the Issuer's common stock from a grantor retained annuity trust to the Reporting Person on (1) March 28, 2005. This distribution was exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rule 16a-13 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act").
- (2) Reflects the distribution of 29,716 shares of the Issuer's common stock from a grantor retained annuity trust to other trusts, the sole trustee of which is the Reporting Person's spouse and the sole beneficiaries of which are immediate family members of the Reporting Person.

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This distribution was exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rule 16a-13 under the Act. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares. The grantor retained annuity trust is no longer a beneficial owner of the Issuer's common stock.

(3) As trustee of grantor retained annuity trust.

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