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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/

[GS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GOLDMAN, SACHS &

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

01/05/2006

Executive Vice President - CFO

CO., 85 BROAD STREET

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK NY 10004

NEW 10R	Person										
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of	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, par value \$0.01 per share	01/05/2006			16,917	` `	<u>(1)</u>	969,068	D			
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	01/05/2006		F	7,003	D	\$ 126.465	962,065	D			
	01/09/2006		S	3,014	D	\$ 130.17	959,051	D			

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Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share								
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	01/09/2006	S	1,900	D	\$ 130.13	957,151	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	01/09/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 130.08	952,151	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share						32,000	I	See Footnote

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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	01/05/2006		M	V		16,917	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	16,917	

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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 Vice President - CFO

Signatures

/s/ Roger S. Begelman, Attorney-in-fact

01/09/2006

**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).
- (1) On January 5, 2006, 16,917 shares of the Issuer's common stock underlying these Restricted Stock Units became deliverable, without the payment of any consideration, and were delivered to the Reporting Person.
- (2) Held through 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. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

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