COOK JOHN R

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

COOK JOHN R

(Last)

NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC

(Check all applicable)

[NMGA/NMGB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year)

01/31/2005

THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP.

(Street)

(First)

INC., 1618 MAIN STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DALLAS, TX 75201

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned **Following** (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Month/Day/Year)

3,000

D

Common Stock, Class

В

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sha
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 65.681	01/31/2005	01/31/2005	A	228.377 (2)	01/31/2005(1)	01/31/2020(1)	Class A Common Stock	22

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COOK JOHN R THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC. 1618 MAIN STREET DALLAS, TX 75201



Signatures

John R. Cook 02/01/2005

**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).

Pursuant to The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors, non-employee directors of The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. (the "Company") receive shares of Class A common stock equivalents as part of their directors'

- compensation ("Mandatory Deferred Units"), and are permitted to elect to receive shares of common stock equivalents in lieu of their cash compensation ("Elective Deferred Units"). The number and "price" of such units are determined quarterly and are calculated by dividing the amount of fees in each fiscal quarter by the average of the market price of the Company's Class A common Stock during the last five trading days of such fiscal quarter. Settlement of these units is in cash.
- (2) Represents Mandatory Deferred Units.
- (3) Includes shares acquired in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions.

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