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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)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MURDOCH KEITH RUPERT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

NEWS CORP [NWS]

(Check all applicable)

Chairman and CEO

(Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2008

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O NEWS AMERICA **INCORPORATED, 1211 AVENUE** OF THE AMERICAS

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

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

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	or O)			(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount o Number o Shares	
Cash-settled restricted stock units	<u>(1)</u>	08/05/2008		A	282,821	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	282,821	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MURDOCH KEITH RUPERT C/O NEWS AMERICA INCORPORATED 1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10036

Chairman and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary, as Attorney-in-Fact for Keith Rupert Murdoch

08/07/2008

**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) 1-for-1
- (2) The cash-settled restricted stock units will vest in four, equal annual installments beginning on August 15, 2008 and shall be paid in cash upon vesting.
- (3) The recipient did not pay cash or other consideration for the award of cash-settled restricted stock units.

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