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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/ [NATI] MEDICA JOHN K (Month/Day/Year) 05/13/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O NATIONAL (Check all applicable) **INSTRUMENTS** CORPORATION. 11500 10% Owner _X_ Director NORTH MOPAC EXPWY, Officer Other **BLDG C** (give title below) (specify below) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

AUSTIN, TXÂ 78759

(City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Benefi

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Owners

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Reporting Person

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Person

or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 5. 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Derivative Security:

Exercisable Date Number of Security Direct (D)

Shares or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MEDICA JOHN K

C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION 11500 NORTH MOPAC EXPWY, BLDG C

AUSTIN, TXÂ 78759

Signatures

John K. Medica 05/21/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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