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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **RAZDAN ASH**

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS

Issuer (Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CORP /DE/ [NATI]

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

02/06/2006

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(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

below) below) Director Corp Dev& Ofc of Pres

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

AUSTIN, TX 78759

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (` ′	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	02/06/2006		F F	9,000	D D	\$ 32.7	48,223	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2006		M	3,012	A	\$ 9.6297	51,235	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2006		M	13,856	A	\$ 32.79	65,091	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2006		M	1,575	A	\$ 15.3055	66,666	D	
Common Stock	02/06/2006		M	2,450	A	\$ 12.2222	69,116	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.6297	02/06/2006		M		3,012	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2007	Common Stock	3,012
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	02/06/2006		M		13,856	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2008	Common Stock	15,119
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.3055	02/06/2006		M		1,575	(2)	03/19/2008	Common Stock	1,575
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.2222	02/06/2006		M		2,450	<u>(1)</u>	03/24/2009	Common Stock	5,347

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RAZDAN ASH				Director Corp Dev& Ofc of Pres			
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Signatures

David G. Hugley as attorney-in-fact for Ash Razdan

02/08/2006

**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) Options vest and become exercisable based on time and performance milestones set by the Issuer.
- (2) Options vest and become exercisable ratably over a 60-month period from the date of the grant.

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