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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Starkloff Eric Howard</u> _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION 11500 NORTH MOPAC _____ (Street) AUSTIN TX 78759 _____ (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP [NATI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & CEO
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2020	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/01/2020		A		75,000	A	\$0	169,594	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2020		M	V	235 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$35.18	169,829	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/01/2020		A		75,000		(2)	05/01/2035	Common Stock 75,000	\$0	75,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Acquisition of stock under Issuer's employee stock purchase plan.
- The number of performance-based restricted stock units ("PRSU") reported in Table II represents the target number of PRSUs that were granted to the reporting person pursuant to the Issuer's 2015 Equity Incentive Plan. Per the terms of the award agreement governing the PRSUs, the number of underlying shares of the Issuer's common stock that the reporting person is ultimately entitled to receive at the time of vesting ranges from 0% to 200% of the target number of PRSUs granted, subject to how the Issuer's total shareholder return ranks in comparison to companies that comprise the Russell 2000 Index over a performance period consisting of the three years ending December 31, 2022.

Deborah Donahue as attorney-in-fact for Eric H. Starkloff 02/04/2020

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR REPORTING UNDER SECTION 16(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

The undersigned, as an officer or director of National Instruments Corporation (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints each of R. Eddie Dixon, Jr., Tracy Feanny, Louis Barnett, Velissa K. Jewell, and Deborah Donahue, or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, complete and execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company such form and any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact. This Power of Attorney shall expire as to any individual attorney-in-fact if such attorney-in-fact ceases to be an employee of the Company. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 3rd day of October, 2019.

/s/Eric Starkloff

Signature

Eric Starkloff

Type or Print Name

State of Texas
County of Travis

This instrument was acknowledged before me on Oct. 3, 2019 by Eric Starkloff.

(Personalized Seal)

/s/ Danielle M. Goff

Notary Public's Signature