AEROFLEX HOLDING CORP.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

Common

Stock

09/12-04:00/2014

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AEROFLEX HOLDING CORP. [ARX]						Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transactio (Month/Day/Year)			saction		belo	Director Officer (give title)	tle 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non	-Deri	ivative Secu	rities A	cquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficiall	y Owned		
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	es 1 1		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ying ties	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282

GOLDMAN SACHS & CO 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282

GS Direct, L.L.C. 200 WEST STREET NEW YORK, NY 10282

Signatures

/s/ Kevin P. Treanor, Attorney-in-fact 09/16-04:00/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- Pursuant to an agreement and plan of merger, dated as of May 19, 2014 by and among Aeroflex Holding Corp. (the "Company"), Cobham plc ("Cobham") and Army Acquisition Corp. ("Merger Sub"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cobham, as amended by
- (2) Amendment No. 1 to the Merger Agreement, dated as of August 15, 2014, Merger Sub merged with and into the Company. The merger was consummated on September 12, 2014. The Company was the surviving corporation and, as a result of the merger, became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cobham.
- Each share of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of the Company issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the merger was cancelled and automatically converted into the right to receive \$10.50 in cash, without interest, and less any applicable withholding taxes.

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