HERSHEY CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Wege D Michael			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
100 CRYSTAL	A DRIVE		(Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2016	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, GS, India, ME, Comm & CSR			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HERSHEY, PA 17033				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, 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)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			d of (D)	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/27/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 103.57	26,788	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2016		M	1,000	A	\$ 35.87	27,788	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 103.57	26,788	D	
Common Stock							877.6847 (2)	I	401(k) Plan

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 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)	5. Number out of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.87	12/27/2016		M	1,000	(3)	02/12/2018	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wege D Michael

100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE SVP, GS, India, ME, Comm & CSR

HERSHEY, PA 17033

Signatures

/s/ James Turoff, Agent for D. Michael
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12/28/2016

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 22, 2016.
 - The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person includes 2.9268 shares acquired from November 1,
- (2) 2016 through November 30, 2016, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan"). The information is based on a report dated December 1, 2016, provided by the Plan Trustee.
- (3) The options vested according to the following schedule: 25% vested on February 13, 2009, 25% vested on February 13, 2010, 25% vested on February 13, 2011 and 25% vested on February 13, 2012.

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