PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ad Sorensen, Norn			me and Tio		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) 711 High Street	of Reporting Person,				Mo	Statement for onth/Day/Year arch 28, 2003	Director				
							Senior Vice Pr International A Accumulation				
	(Street)							If Amendment,	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing		
Des Moines, IA 50392								te of Original onth/Day/Year)	Person	One Reporting More than One	
(City	Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Dispos						oosed of, or Bene	sed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	action Execution		3. Trans- action Code (A) or Disposed o (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			osed o		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
	(Month/ Day/ Year)	Month/Day/ if any (Month/Day/ Year) Code V Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)				

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

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2. Conver-	3.	3A.	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature	
Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect	
Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	of	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial	
	Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership	
(Instr. 3)	Derivative		if any		Securities	Year)	(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)	
	Security	(Month/	(Month/	(Instr.	Acquired				Following	ative		
		Day/	Day/	8)	(A) or				Reported	Security:		
		Year)	Year)		Disposed				Transaction(s)	Direct		

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			of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)									(D) or Indirect (I)	
			Code	(A)		Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares			(Instr. 4)	
Phantom Stock Units	1-for-1	3/28/03	A	59.82		(1)	_	Common Stock	59.82	\$27.68	4,101.41	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The reported phantom stock units were acquired pursuant to the Principal Select Savings Excess Plan and may be transferred at any time into another investment alternative under the plan. Interests under the plan will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

By: /s/ <u>Joyce N. Hoffman</u>
Attorney-in-Fact
**Signature of Reporting Person

April 1, 2003

Date

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