ANTOUN GEORGES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add ANTOUN GE		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Enter an applicable)			
C/O FIRST SOLAR INC., 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600			(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2018	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Commercial Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
TEMPE, AZ 8	85281-1244		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/05/2018		M	3,439 (1)	A	\$0	77,710	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2018		M	3,499 (2)	A	\$ 0	81,209	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2018		F	1,447 (3)	D	\$ 66.05	79,762	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2018		F	1,412 (3)	D	\$ 66.05	78,350	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2018		M		3,439	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	3,439
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/05/2018		M		3,499	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	3,499
Restricted Stock Units	(7)	03/06/2018		A	11,120		(8)	(8)	Common Stock	11,120

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ANTOUN GEORGES C/O FIRST SOLAR INC. 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600 TEMPE, AZ 85281-1244

Chief Commercial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Jason E. Dymbort, attorney-in-fact 03/07/2018

**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) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2014.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock issued upon vesting of 25% of the restricted stock units granted on March 5, 2015.

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- (3) Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations with the vesting of the restricted stock units.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the Issuer's common stock in accordance with the Issuer's 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (5) The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2014 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- The restricted stock units were granted on March 5, 2015 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (7) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, one share of the Issuer's common stock in accordance with the Issuer's 2015 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (8) The restricted stock units were granted on March 6, 2018 as part of the Issuer's annual equity grant to executive officers. These units are scheduled to vest annually at a rate of 25% on each anniversary of the grant date, commencing on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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