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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Respon	nses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person – BARTOLACCI JOSEPH C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2016						X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President and CEO			
	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu					es Acqu	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	tion	<ul> <li>4. Securities Acquired</li> <li>(A) or Disposed of (D)</li> <li>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</li> </ul>		of (D)			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
			(Month/Day/Year)	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common	Stock	11/11/2016		F <sup>(1)</sup>		4,017	D	\$ 66.65	298,478	D		
Class A Common	Stock	11/13/2016		F <u>(1)</u>		25,000	D	\$ 66.95	298,478	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)															
	2.		3A. Deemed	4.								9. Number of		11. Nature	
	Conversion		Execution Date, if					<b>P</b>						Ownership	
		(Month/Day/Year)		Code			Derivative (Month/Day/Year) U				2			Beneficial	
· /	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			urities	s		Securities		· /		Derivative	-
	Derivative					Acq	uired	1		(Instr. 3 and 4)			Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security					(A)	or						Following	Direct (D)	
						Disp	oosed of						Reported	or Indirect	
						(D)							Transaction(s)	(I)	
						(Inst	tr. 3, 4,						(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						and	5)								
											Amount				
											or				
									Expiration		Number				
								Exercisable	Date		of				
				Code	v	(A)	(D)				Shares				
<b>F</b> 1				coue	•	(21)	(D)				onares				
Employee							34 166			Class A					
Stock	\$ 40.56	11/15/2016		D			(2)	11/15/2009	11/15/2016	Common	34,166	\$ 40.56	0	D	
Option							<u>(2)</u>			Stock					

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BARTOLACCI JOSEPH C	Х		President and CEO					

### **Signatures**

Joseph C. Bartolacci	11/15/2016
**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) Sale of Shares to the registrant to cover tax withholdings on the vesting of restricted shares.

(2) The transaction represents the forfeiture of employee stock options, granted under the Company's 1992 Stock Incentive Plan, which did not meet a stock price performance target prior to the expiration of the option term.

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