FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SQUINTO STEPHEN P (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ALXN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/09/2012								elationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer eck all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below) EVP, Research & Development			vner specify		
(Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410 (City) (State) (Zip)				Ion Dori	-	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day)					ction	2A. Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date,			ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			5. Am Secur Benef	ount of ties	Forn (D) c	n: Direct or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Repor Trans (Instr.	ted action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/09/20)12			М		50,000(1)	A	\$17.9	8 1	37,662		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/09/20					2012	012			S		44,100(1)	D	\$100.3	4 ⁽²⁾	3,562		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/09/20					2012						4,700(1)	D	\$100.9	3(3)	8,862		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/09/20					2012)12			S		1,200(1)	D	\$101.8	1 ⁽⁴⁾	7,662		D		
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. Dee Execution if any (Month/I	on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e s llly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$17.98	07/09/2012			М			50,000	04/26/	2009	01/26/2019	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	50,000	\$0	0		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transactions reported by this Form 4 are made pursuant to the terms of a sales plan designed to meet the requirements of Rule 10b5-1(c)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$99.66 \$100.66. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.
- 3. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$100.66 \$101.66. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.
- 4. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$101.69 \$102.69. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.

/s/ Stephen Squinto 07/11/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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