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* <u>ABRAMS GEORGE S</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VIACOM INC [VIA, VIAB] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | vner |
|--|---|--|---|-------|------------------------------------|---|-------|-------------------|--|----|------------------|---|--|--|--|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1515 BROADWAY | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2005 | | | | | | | | Office belov | er (give title v) | | Other (s | specify |
| (Street) NEW YO | ORK N | Y | 10036 | | 4. 11 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | 6. Lir | ne) X Form | or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable on filed by One Reporting Person on filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date) | | | | | Execution Date, | | | Code (Instr. 5) | | | | Benefic | ies cially Following | Form: | : Direct Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) (D) | Price | Transa | action(s) 3 and 4) | | | (|
| 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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transacti Code (Ins 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4) | y G | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | | xpiration ate | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Director Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾ | \$37.34 | 01/31/2005 | | | A | | 4,000 | | (2) | 0: | 1/31/2015 | Class B common stock | 4,000 | (1) | 4,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Right to buy under the Amended and Restated Viacom Inc. 2000 Stock Option Plan for Outside Directors.
- 2. This option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on January 31, 2006.

/s/ Abrams, George S. 02/02/2005

** 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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