FIRST SOLAR, INC.

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANTOUN GEORGES	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, US			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	FIRST SOLAR, INC. [FSLR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
C/O FIRST SOLAR INC., 350 WEST WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 600	(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2016				
(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			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	3,440 (1)	A	\$0	3,440	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		M	3,500 (2)	A	\$ 0	6,940	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F	941 (3)	D	\$ 69.52	5,999	D	
Common Stock	03/05/2016		F	1,334 (3)	D	\$ 69.52	4,665	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2016		S	2,865 (4)	D	\$ 68.96	1,800	D	

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\$ 69.7 0 Common 03/07/2016 S D Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out Derivative 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)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	03/05/2016		M	3	,440	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	3,440	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>	03/05/2016		M	3	,500	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	3,500	\$

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Officer Other Director 10% Owner

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

President, US

Signatures

/s/ Peter C. Bartolino, 03/08/2016 Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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.
- (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) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person on August 20, 2015.
- (5) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$68.44 to \$69.41. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (6) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$69.46 to \$69.97. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sales price for the transactions reported on this line.
- (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 2010 Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (8) 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.
- (9) 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.

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