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* GEARON J MICHAEL JR							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/</u> [AMT]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 116 HUNTINGTON AVENUE						Date o		iest Tran	saction	(Mont	h/Day/Year)		X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Pres., American Tower Int'l.							
(Street)	Street) BOSTON MA 02116				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filir Line) X Form filed by One Rep										One Repo	porting Person			
(City)	(S	(State) (Zip)				Person														
I		Tak	le I - N	lon-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ties Ac	quire	ed, Di	isposed o	f, or Be	neficia	lly Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 at 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follo	Form: Dir (D) or Ind		rect Indired lirect Benefi 4) Owner		ct icial rship		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction((Instr. 3 and	s) 4)			(Instr.	4)	
Class A Common Stock 12/22/200						05			M		38,460	A	\$13	38,460)	D				
Class A Common Stock 12/22/200)5			M		2,285	A	\$10.5	40,745	5	D				
Class A Common Stock													37,607	7	I		By Partnership ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock													452		I	I By Parti		ership ⁽²⁾		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any		4. Transa Code (8)	5. Number ction of		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/		cisable and	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		t 8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1 1						
Option to Purchase Class A Common Stock	\$13	12/22/2005			M			38,460	(3	3)	01/22/2008	Class A Common Stock	38,460	\$0	19	195,991				
Option to Purchase Class A	\$10.5	12/22/2005			M			2,285	(4	4)	11/17/2013	Class A Common	2,285	\$0	24	7,715	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares of Class A Common Stock held by JMG Partners L.P.
- 2. Shares of Class A Common Stock held by Gearon Sibling/Nibling Partners, L.P.
- 3. This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 20% cumulative annual increments beginning January 22, 1999.
- 4. This option was granted pursuant to the 1997 Stock Option Plan, as amended, and is exercisable in 25% cumulative annual increments beginning November 17, 2004.

Remarks:

Stock

/s/ J. Michael Gearon, Jr.

12/22/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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