FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Shaaltiel Yoseph</u>				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc. [ PLX ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PROTALIX BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 2 SNUNIT STREET, SCIENCE PARK, POB 455						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/15/2016									X Officer (give file Other (specify below)  Executive VP, R&D				
(Street) CARMIEL L3 20100			_   4. _	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned For	s lly ollowing	Form	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
							Code	· v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pr		Price	Transacti	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11150.4)		
Common Stock 09/15/					15/201	2016		М		122,10	62 A \$0		\$0.001	585,916			D		
Common Stock													210,000(1)				By Trust <sup>(2)</sup>		
	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)	ate,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		te	of Sec Underl Deriva		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	e s illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(S)		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$0.001	09/15/2016			М		122,162		(3)		(3)	Common Stock 122,		122,162	\$0	0 <sup>(4)</sup>		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents restricted shares of common stock of Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc., issued under its 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended June 17, 2012 (the "Plan"), all of which have vested. Vested restricted shares are subject to a lock-up for a 24-month period from the date of vesting. Notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to certain exceptions, the lock-up period will terminate immediately upon a Change in Control, as defined in the Plan.
- 2. To qualify for certain tax benefits under Section 102 of the Israeli Tax Ordinance, securities issued to an employee in connection with the Plan must be registered in the name of a trustee.
- $3. \ \mbox{Represents}$  exercise of all stock underlying the derivative security.
- 4. Does not include options to purchase 263,728 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$5.00 per share that expire on February 7, 2018; options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$2.65 per share that expire on February 25, 2019; options to purchase 145,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$6.90 per share that expire on February 25, 2020; and options to purchase 275,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price equal to \$1.72 per share that expire on March 23, 2025.

<u>/s/ Yossi Maimon, POA</u> <u>09/16/2016</u>

\*\* 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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