NATCO GROUP INC
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FITZGERALD RICHARD W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NATCO GROUP INC., 2950 NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77092

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NATCO GROUP INC [NTG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/13/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common stock - restricted stock (1)	06/13/2005		A		3,857	A	$ 11.43	9,707 (2)	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of 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. D Sec (Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option - Right to Buy	$ 11.43	06/13/2005		A		7,212		(3)	06/13/2015	Common stock	7,212	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITZGERALD RICHARD W C/O NATCO GROUP INC. 2950 NORTH LOOP WEST, SUITE 700 HOUSTON, TX 77092			Senior VP & CFO	

Signatures

Richard W. FitzGerald	06/15/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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) Restrictions on this grant of restricted stock lapse (a) as to all of the Shares on the date that the Company has achieved an earnings per share of at least $1.10 calculated on a trailing twelve months basis as of the last day of a quarter, for three consecutive quarters; provided that (i) earnings per share may be normalized in certain circumstances and (ii) the recipient has continuously served as an employee from the date of the award until such date or, (b) if earlier, pursuant to the applicable plan or upon occurrence of a Corporate Change as defined in such plan, provided, in either case, that the employee has been continuously employed by the Company or a subsidiary on such date or the date of such Corporate Change. The shares are subject to forfeiture upon termination of employment prior to the time the restrictions lapse or if the performance restrictions are not met with respect to or prior to the quarter ending June 30, 2008.

(2) Direct ownership includes an aggregate of 9,707 shares of restricted stock subject to performance-based restrictions and potential forfeiture, including the shares reported in this transaction.

(3) Stock options vest in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant, subject to continued employment by the Company or a subsidiary on the applicable date. The first third will vest on June 13, 2006.

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