Rodman Christopher Form 4 January 25, 2005

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section See Instruction

**SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Rodman Christopher

(First)

Symbol

TOPPS CO INC [TOPP]

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

ONE WHITEHALL STREET 01/12/2005

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

V.P. - Topps Europe

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

NEW YORK, NY 10004-2109

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 9.71	01/12/2005		A	10,000	01/12/2006	01/12/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option	\$ 9.71	01/12/2005		A	10,000	01/12/2007	01/12/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option	\$ 9.71	01/12/2005		A	10,000	01/12/2008	01/12/2015	Common Stock	10,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rodman Christopher

ONE WHITEHALL STREET V.P. - Topps Europe

NEW YORK, NY 10004-2109

# **Signatures**

Reporting Person

Christopher

Rodman 01/25/2005

\*\*Signature of 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).

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