

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/

Form 8-K

July 27, 2004

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

**Form 8-K**

**Current Report**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date Of Report (Date Of Earliest Event Reported): 07/27/2004**

**NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS CORP /DE/**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Commission File Number: 000-25426**

**DE**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

**741871327**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**11500 North Mopac Expressway**  
**Austin, TX 78759**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, Including Zip Code)

**(512)683-6818**  
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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**Item 7. Financial statements and exhibits**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated July 27, 2004.

**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure**

The press release filed as an exhibit to this report is being furnished under Item 12 (Furnishing of Earnings Releases) as contemplated by SEC Release Nos. 33-8176 and 33-8216.

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**Signature(s)**

Pursuant to the Requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the Undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

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Date: July 27, 2004.

By: /s/ David G. Hugley

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David G. Hugley  
Vice President and General Counsel, Secretary

**Exhibit Index**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
EX-99.1	Press Release dated July 27, 2004