FIRST BANCORP /PR/

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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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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BATLLE FERNANDO L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BANCORP /PR/ [fbp]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (I	First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
PO BOX 9146			04/28/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Excutive Vice President			
(Street) SAN JUAN, PR 00908-0146			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	Derivative Sec	curitie	es Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		d of (D))	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)
First BanCorp's Common Stock	04/28/2005		A	23,254	` ´	\$ 14.875	107,699	D	
First BanCorp's Common Stock	04/28/2005		A	39,894	A 5	\$ 37.6	147,593	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
OPTION TO BUY	\$ 14.875	04/28/2005		D	23,254	12/13/2000	12/13/2010	First BanCorp Common Stock	23,254
OPTION TO BUY	\$ 18.6867	04/28/2005		D	45,000	02/26/2002	02/26/2012	First BanCorp Common Stock	45,000
Option to Buy	\$ 25.625	04/28/2005		D	30,000	02/25/2003	02/25/2013	First BanCorp Common Stock	30,000
Option to buy	\$ 14.875	04/28/2005		D	12,746	12/30/2000	12/30/2010	First BanCorp Common Stock	12,746

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BATLLE FERNANDO L PO BOX 9146 SAN JUAN, PR 00908-0146

Excutive Vice President

Signatures

/s/Fernando L

Batlle 04/28/2005

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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