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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

APRIL 20, 2005
DATE OF REPORT
(Date of earliest event reported)

SMITH INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 1-8514 95-3822631 (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

411 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY, SUITE 600 HOUSTON, TEXAS (Address of principal executive offices)

77060 (Zip Code)

(281) 443-3370

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On April 20, 2005, the Board of Directors of Smith International, Inc. ("Smith") approved a revision to Smith's director compensation, effective as of January 1, 2005, that provides for an increase in the annual cash retainer paid to the non-employee directors from \$30,000 to \$45,000 and an increase in the annual cash retainer paid to committee chairmen from \$8,000 to \$10,000 (other than the

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Audit Committee chairman retainer which was increased from \$12,000 to \$15,000). In addition, the value of the annual recurring Common Stock grant was increased from \$65,000 to \$75,000 and an initial grant of Common Stock with a value of \$75,000 was approved for new non-employee directors. The Stock Plan for Outside Directors was amended and restated accordingly and is filed herewith as an exhibit. A summary of Smith's director compensation is also filed herewith as an exhibit.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
10.1	Director Compensation Summary of Smith International, Inc.
10.2	Smith International, Inc. Stock Plan for Outside Directors, as amended and restated effective January 1, 2005.

SIGNATURE

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.

SMITH INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: April 26, 2005 /s/ NEAL S. SUTTON

By: Neal S. Sutton

Senior Vice President - Administration,

General Counsel and Secretary

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