1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Ersek Hikmet

THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY, 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Western Union CO [ WU ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)

2/22/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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<th>Title of Security</th>
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Explanation of Responses:
(1) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2018.

Reporters Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ersek Hikmet
THE WESTERN UNION COMPANY 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112

X President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Darren Dragovich, as Attorney-in-Fact 2/23/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date**

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).


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