FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Chiniara Ellen			Date of Event equiring Staten Month/Day/Year 2/12/2018	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ ALXN ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.		` ′		(Ch	Relationship of Reporting Persor (Check all applicable)     Director     Officer (give title)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
100 COLLEGE STREET				)	X	X below)  EVP & General Co			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(Street) NEW HAVEN	CT	06510								y More than One	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)  3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ct (D) (Ir	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		nd 3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secur			4. Conversi or Exerci Price of		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivativ Security			

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

Michael V. Greco, Attorney-in-Fact for Ellen Chiniara 02/22/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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