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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Ersek Hikmet Issuer Symbol Western Union CO [WU] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE 09/29/2006 below) below) EVP - Eu/ Mid. Eas/ Afri./ SA (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112 Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 38,155 Common 09/29/2006 A \$0 44,436 (2) D (1) Stock

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of derivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.13	09/29/2006		A	276,127	(3)	09/29/2016	Common Stock	276,12
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.22	09/29/2006		A	2,739 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	12/08/2009	Common Stock	2,739
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.22	09/29/2006		A	4,391 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	12/08/2009	Common Stock	4,391
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	09/29/2006		A	7,574 <u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/07/2011	Common Stock	7,574
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.54	09/29/2006		A	5,269 <u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	02/07/2011	Common Stock	5,269
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.02	09/29/2006		A	26,346 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	07/18/2011	Common Stock	26,346
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.86	09/29/2006		A	8,782 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	02/01/2012	Common Stock	8,782
Employee Stock Option	\$ 18.77	09/29/2006		A	35,128 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	35,128

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(Right to Buy)								
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.89	09/29/2006	A	21,955 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	10/01/2012	Common Stock	21,955
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.65	09/29/2006	A	58,400 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	01/22/2013	Common Stock	58,400
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.94	09/29/2006	A	21,955 (4)	<u>(5)</u>	09/02/2013	Common Stock	21,955
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.78	09/29/2006	A	43,910 (4)	(5)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	43,910
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.78	09/29/2006	A	87,820 (<u>4)</u>	(5)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	87,820
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.07	09/29/2006	A	43,910 (4)	(5)	12/08/2014	Common Stock	43,910
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.01	09/29/2006	A	87,820 (<u>4)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	02/08/2016	Common Stock	87,820

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ersek Hikmet							
12500 EAST BELFORD AVENUE			EVP - Eu/ Mid. Eas/ Afri./ SA				
ENGLEWOOD, CO 80112							

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Date

Signatures

/s/ Sarah J. Kilgore as Attorney-in-Fact for Hikmet
Ersek
10/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Grant of restricted stock units which vest in full, if the executive is still employed by the Company at the time, on the third anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (2) Includes 1,487 shares acquired pursuant to The Western Union Company Employee Stock Purchase Plan and 4,794 shares acquired in connection with the distribution by First Data Corporation of shares of common stock of The Western Union Company.
- (3) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on September 29, 2007.
- Represents option acquired by reporting person as a result of the adjustment of an option to purchase shares of First Data Corporation
- (4) common stock held by the reporting person. This adjustment occurred pursuant to the terms of the Employee Matters Agreement, dated September 29, 2006, between The Western Union Company and First Data Corporation.
- (5) This option is presently exercisable in full.
- (6) This option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 8, 2007.

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