

**Report of Organizational Actions
 Affecting Basis of Securities**

▶ See separate instructions.

Part I Reporting Issuer

1 Issuer's name		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN)	
United Security Bancshares		91-2112732	
3 Name of contact for additional information	4 Telephone No. of contact	5 Email address of contact	
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6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact		7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact	
2126 Inyo Street		Fresno, CA 93721	
8 Date of action		9 Classification and description	
12/15/15		Common Stock	
10 CUSIP number	11 Serial number(s)	12 Ticker symbol	13 Account number(s)
911460103		UBFO	

Part II Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶

On December 15, 2015, the Reporting Issuer's Board of Directors declared stock dividend, payable to shareholders of record as of January 4, 2016 and issued on January 15, 2016.

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶

The stock dividend equates to an annualized distribution rate of 1% or .01 of a share for each share held.

16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶

The basis of each share of stock is reduced by .990099, or 1/1.01.

Part II Organizational Action (continued)

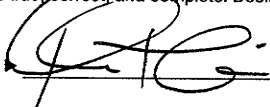
17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶ _____

Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 305(a), 307(a)

18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ N/A

19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ _____

The public offering price of the stock at the time of the distribution was \$5.20 as adjusted for all subsequent actions.

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature ▶ 	Date ▶ <u>1/19/16</u>		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print your name ▶ <u>Bhavneet Gill</u>		Title ▶ <u>SVP & CFO</u>	
	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed PTIN
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	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.		