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*     Schweinfurth Lynn S			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2004  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [ EAT ]									
(Last) 6820 LBJ FR	(First)	(Middle)				tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issue	(M	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
				X Officer (give title below)		Other (spe below)	Ар	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) DALLAS	TX	75240				VP, Investor Rel and	Treasurer		-	y One Reporting Person y More than One erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Fo				Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership estr. 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)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Employee Sto	ck Option Righ	t-to-Buy	06/07/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/07/201	4	Common Stock	5,000	35.39	D			

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Options vest in installments on and after date shown.

<u>Jay L. Tobin, Attorney-in-Fact</u> <u>for Lynn S. Schweinfurth</u> <u>09/30/2004</u>

\*\* 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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