FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	L OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SONSTEBY CHARLES M					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT]									Check all ap	onship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) EVP, Chief Fin		10% O	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6820 LBJ FREEWAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/13/2004											^ belo	Other (specify below) ancial Officer	
(Street) DALLAS TX 75240 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans: Date (Month/I					Execution D		n Date,	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				nd Secu Bene	ficially d Following	Forn (D) o	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501. 4)	
Common Stock 08/1					3/2004	/2004		A		2,807 A		\$	21,606			D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, T curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any C			ansaction of ode (Instr. Derivative		Expiration	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	, E	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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Explanation of Responses:

<u>Jay L. Tobin, Attorney-in-Fact</u> <u>for Charles M. Sonsteby</u>

08/13/2004

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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