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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable)	on(s) to Issuer
	1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MRKONIC GEORGE R JR (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BORDERS GROUP INC 100 PHOENIX DRIVE (Street) ANN ARBOR MI 48108	<u><</u>	tt	X	Director	10% Owner	
			(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2009		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
	100 PHOENIX I	ORIVE		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable
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	ANN ARBOR	MI	48108			Form filed by More than (Person	One Reporting
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)				

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)					Securities	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	01/02/2009		A		14,765	Α	\$0.00	42,945	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)	saction of (Instr. De Se Ad (A Di of		osed) . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorneyin-Fact for George R. Mrkonic

01/05/2009

** 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).

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