FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LOPEZ GERARDO I</u> | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT] | | | | | | | | | Relationsh heck all ap X Dire | plicable) | g Person(s) to | Issuer Owner |
|---|--|------|-------------|---|-------|---|--|-------------------|----------|---|---------------------|------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 6820 LBJ FREEWAY | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017 | | | | | | | | | Offic belo | cer (give title w) | Otho belo | er (specify w) |
| (Street) DALLAS TX 75240 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Lir | ne) X Fori Fori | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - Non- | -Deriva | ative | Sec | curitie | s Ac | quired, | Dis | posed o | f, or I | Bene | ficia | lly Own | ed | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | | | | | | Execution Date, | | Code (Instr. 5) | | | | d Secur Benef | ficially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | |) or) | Price | Trans | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (iiisti. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock 01/03/ | | | | | | | 2017 | | A | | 3,558 A | | A | \$0.0 | 00 | 14,702 | D | |
| | | Та | ble II - Do | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | Owned | I | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Execution Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) | | Date, (| I. Transaction Code (Instr. Secure (A) of Deriv Secure (A) of Disp of (D) (Instr. and E | | rities ired r osed) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Expiration Date | | e ar) | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares | | ount ober | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorneyin-Fact for Gerardo I. Lopez 01/04/2017

** 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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