

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 9, 2012

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State of Incorporation)

1-10275
(Commission File
Number)

75-1914582
(IRS Employment
Identification No.)

6820 LBJ Freeway

Dallas, Texas 75240

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **972-980-9917**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

In the Press Release, the Registrant announced that at the February 9, 2012 Board of Director's Meeting, the Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.16 per share on the common stock of the company. The dividend will be payable on March 29, 2012 to shareholders of record as of March 9, 2012.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated February 9, 2012.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

	BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.	
Date: February 9, 2012	By:	/s/ Douglas H. Brooks
		Douglas H. Brooks, Chairman of the Board
		President and Chief Executive Officer

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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BRINKER INTERNATIONAL BOARD DECLARES COMMON DIVIDEND

DALLAS (Feb. 9, 2012) - The Board of Directors for Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT) declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.16 per share on the common stock of the company payable on March 29, 2012 to shareholders of record as of March 9, 2012.

Brinker currently owns, operates or franchises 1,574 restaurants under the names Chili's[®] Grill & Bar (1,529 restaurants) and Maggiano's Little Italy[®] (45 restaurants) and holds a minority investment in Romano's Macaroni Grill[®].

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