FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* NYE ERLE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last)								3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2004											10% Ov Other (s below)	·		
1601 BRYAN ST							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) DALLAS TX 75201			_											Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quir	ed, D	isp	osed o	f, or B	ene	ficially	/ Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			Code (Instr.			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)					es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								С	ode V	,	Amount	nt (A) o		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 01/12/						2004			A		601	601 <i>A</i>		\$33.26	2,	,206		D				
		-	Гable II -									sed of, onvertib				Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst 8)		5. Num of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. ; and 5)	Expira	te Exerci ation Da th/Day/Y	ate	Amount of		of es ing ve Se		3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable		xpiration ate	Title	or No	umber							
Employee Stock Option Right-to-	\$33.26	01/12/2004			A		4,670		01/12/	² /2006 ⁽¹⁾	0	1/12/2014	Commo Stock	ⁿ 4	1,670	\$33.26	29,970	0	D			

Explanation of Responses:

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

Jay L. Tobin, Attorney-in-Fact for Erle Nye

01/14/2004

** 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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