FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Ware Michaela M	2. Date of I Requiring S (Month/Day 06/05/202	Statement y/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC [ EAT ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3000 OLYMPUS BLVD.		2-7	4. Relationship of Reporting Issuer (Check all applicable)	10% Owner Other (specify below)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street)  DALLAS  (City) (State) (Zip)	-		Director Officer (give title below) VP, Fin. & Investor			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Owner Form: D (D) or Ir (I) (Instr	Direct Ownership (I			
Common Stock			23,540.37	Г	)			
Common Stock			3,259.94(1)	I	By 401(k) Pla		01(k) Plan	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  2. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate		Title and Amount of Securities nderlying Derivative Security nstr. 4)		sion cise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)
Employee Stock Option Right-to- Buy	08/29/2020 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/29/2027	Common Stock	4,304	38.51		D	
Employee Stock Option Right-to- Buy	08/30/2019 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/30/2026	Common Stock	3,661	43.3	5	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reflects the number of units in the Brinker Common Stock Fund under the Brinker International, Inc. 401(k) Plan, as of June 12, 2024.
- 2. Options vest in installments on or after the date shown.

/s/ Christopher L. Green, as Attorney-in-Fact

06/12/2024

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
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