# UNITED STATES 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): 08/19/2010

# BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 1-10275

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 75-1914582 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

## 6820 LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75240

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(972) 980-9917

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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]	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 un	nder the Securities Act (17 C	FR 230	.425)			
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#### Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 19, 2010, the Registrant issued a Press Release, attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, announcing the declaration on August 19, 2010 of the Registrant's quarterly dividend to common stock shareholders in the amount of \$0.14 per share. The dividend will be payable on September 30, 2010 to shareholders of record at the close of business on September 10, 2010.

#### **SIGNATURES**

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: August 19, 2010 By: /s/ Douglas H. Brooks

Douglas H. Brooks Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer

# EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

EX-99. 081910 Dividend Press Release

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### BRINKER INTERNATIONAL BOARD DECLARES COMMON DIVIDEND

DALLAS (Aug. 19, 2010) -Today, the Board of Directors for Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT) declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.14 per share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend will be paid on September 30, 2010 to shareholders of record as of September 10, 2010.

At the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2010, Brinker International either owned, operated or franchised 1,550 restaurants under the names Chili's<sup>®</sup> Grill & Bar (1,505 restaurants) and Maggiano's Little Italy<sup>®</sup> (45 restaurants). Brinker also holds a minority interest in Romano's Macaroni Grill<sup>®</sup>.

The statements contained in this release that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties and, consequently, could be affected by general business and economic conditions, the impact of competition, the impact of acquisitions and divestitures and other strategic transactions, the seasonality of the company's business, adverse weather conditions, future commodity prices, fuel and utility costs and availability, terrorists acts, consumer perception of food safety, changes in consumer taste and behavior, health epidemics or pandemics, changes in demographic trends, availability of employees, unfavorable publicity, the company's ability to meet its growth plan, acts of God, governmental regulations, and inflation.