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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): 01/28/2010**

**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)

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)
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  - 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))
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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

The information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the Exhibits attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. Furthermore, the information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On January 28, 2010, the Registrant issued a Press Release, attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, announcing the declaration on January 28, 2010 of the Registrant's quarterly dividend to common stock shareholders in the amount of \$0.11 per share. The dividend will be payable on March 24, 2010 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 11, 2010.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

99 Press Release, dated January 28, 2010.

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**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: January 29, 2010

By: /s/ Douglas H. Brooks

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

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
EX-99.	Press Release of 1/28/10

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**BRINKER INTERNATIONAL BOARD DECLARES COMMON DIVIDEND**

DALLAS (Jan. 28, 2010) -Today, the Board of Directors for Brinker International, Inc. (NYSE: EAT) declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.11 per share on the common stock of the company.

The dividend will be paid on March 24, 2010 to shareholders of record as of March 11, 2010.

At the end of the second quarter fiscal year 2010, Brinker International either owned, operated, or franchised 1,712 restaurants under the names Chili's® Grill & Bar (1,504 restaurants), On The Border Mexican Grill & Cantina® (163 restaurants) and Maggiano's Little Italy® (45 restaurants). Brinker also holds a minority investment in Romano's Macaroni Grill®.

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.

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