

IRSA INVESTMENTS & REPRESENTATIONS INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â ELSZTAIN EDUARDO S (Last) (First) (Middle)  HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST, Â 510 WALNUT STREET, 9TH FLOOR (Street)  PHILADELPHIA, Â PA Â 19106 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2009	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST [HT]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	6,209,587	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
			Title				
Option to Purchase Class A Common Shares of Bnfl Interest	08/04/2009	08/04/2014	Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	5,700,000	\$ 3	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELSZTAIN EDUARDO S HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST 510 WALNUT STREET, 9TH FLOOR PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106	Â	Â X	Â	Â
IRSA INVESTMENTS & REPRESENTATIONS INC BOL?VAR 108 (C1066AAB) BUENOS AIRES, C1	Â	Â X	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Eduardo S. Elsztain	08/14/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Eduardo S. Elsztain, Chairman of the Board for IRSA Inversiones y Representaciones Sociedad An?nima	08/14/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Please see exhibit.

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