THOMSON ROGER F

Form 4

November 16, 2004

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A THOMSON	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT]					C	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 6820 LBJ F		Middle)	Earliest Transaction ay/Year) 004					Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, General Counsel			
DALLAS, T	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ov									ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	Execution Date, if		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/16/2004			Code	V	Amount 23,250	(D)	Price \$ 27.9	39,042	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2004			S		23,250	D	\$ 34.8	15,792	D	

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ame Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No of	
Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy	\$ 27.9	11/16/2004	M	23,25	0 11/15/2003(1)	11/15/2011	Common Stock	2	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

THOMSON ROGER F 6820 LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75240

EVP, General Counsel

Signatures

Jay L. Tobin, Attorney-in-Fact for Roger F. Thomson

11/16/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).
- (1) Options vest in installments on and after date shown.

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