

VEITCH ARTHUR J
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VEITCH ARTHUR J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP
[GD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	01/03/2005		J ⁽¹⁾	3,108 A <u>(1)</u>	87,686 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	01/03/2005		J ⁽³⁾	1,988 D \$ 103.38	85,698	D	
Common Stock,					10,391.8902 ⁽⁴⁾	I	401(k) Plan

\$1.00 par value

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VEITCH ARTHUR J
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION
2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Margaret N. House, by power of attorney

01/05/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Adjustment to number of shares of Performance Restricted Stock at the end of the performance period, 12/31/04
- (2) Reflects adjustment in total due to calculation error
- (3)

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Withholding of shares of Common Stock under General Dynamics Corporation Incentive Compensation Plan to satisfy tax withholding obligations on release of restricted shares

- (4) Includes share activity under General Dynamics 401(k) plan since date of reporting person's last ownership report

Remarks:

Reporting person also has 177,450 stock options, as previously reported.

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