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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT] À Cortinas Dora Maria (Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6820 LBJ FREEWAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _ Other Person DALLAS, TXÂ 75240 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 830 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisab	ole and	3. Title and A	Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date Securities Underly (Month/Day/Year) Securities Underly Derivative Securi		Securities Underlying		Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
			ecurity	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership	
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option Right-to-Buy	08/30/2013(1)	08/30/2020	Common Stock	3,938	\$ 34.82	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	01/03/2013(1)	01/03/2020	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 26.41	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
·r. · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Cortinas Dora Maria 6820 LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75240	Â	Â	CIO	Â		

Signatures

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorney-in-Fact for Dora Maria
Cortinas

01/16/2013

**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) Options vest in installments on or after the date shown.

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