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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Friendly Ian R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

07/06/2009

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title

below)

NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS **BOULEVARD**

(Street)

EVP, Chief Operating Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

(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. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	07/06/2009		M	4,188	A	\$ 40.11	98,842.0525	D		
Common Stock	07/06/2009		S	4,188	D	\$ 59.9311 (1)	94,654.0525	D		
Common Stock	07/06/2009		M	20,000	A	\$ 41.5	114,654.0525	D		
Common Stock	07/06/2009		S	20,000	D	\$ 59.9311 (1)	94,654.0525	D		
	07/06/2009		M	20,000	A	\$ 34.56	114,654.0525	D		

Common	1
Stock	

Common Stock	07/06/2009	S	20,000	D	\$ 59.9311 (1)	94,654.0525	D	
Common Stock						376	I	by Child #1 (2)
Common Stock						376	I	by Child #2 (2)
Common Stock						376	I	by Child #3 (2)
Common Stock						8,522	I	by Trust
Common Stock						3,033	I	by Trust 2 (4)
Common Stock						3,975	I	by Trust 3 (5)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nui of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.56	07/06/2009		M	20,000	12/13/2003	01/13/2010	Common Stock	20
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.11	07/06/2009		M	4,188	06/28/2003	07/28/2009	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 41.5	07/06/2009		M	20,000	08/02/1999	09/01/2009	Common Stock	20

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(right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Friendly Ian R NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

EVP, Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

By: Christopher A Rauschl For: Ian R Friendly

07/08/2009

**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) Represents the weighted average of actual sale prices that range from \$59.89 to \$59.97. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any security holder of the company.
- (2) Shares held in irrevocable trust for the benefit of reporting person's child(ren).
- (3) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.
- (4) Held in Trust for which the reporting person's spouse is a trustee and the reporting person's spouse and children are beneficiaries.
- (5) Grantor Retained Annuity Trust for which reporting person serves as trustee and exercises investment and voting control.
- (6) Employee option (right to buy) granted by the Compensation Committee of Board of Directors of General Mills, Inc. under shareholder-approved stock option plans.

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