

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC  
Form 8-K  
December 08, 2006

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

**Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 7, 2006**

### BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of Incorporation)

**1-10275**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**74-1914582**  
(IRS Employment  
Identification No.)

**6820 LBJ Freeway  
Dallas, Texas 75240**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **972-980-9917**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).

**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers**

(b) On December 7, 2006, Dr. Robert M. Gates resigned from the Registrant's Board of Directors. Dr. Gates was confirmed on December 6, 2006 by the United States Senate to be Secretary of Defense for the United States of America.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

99 Press Release, dated December 7, 2006.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BRINKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: December 8, 2006

By: /s/ Douglas H. Brooks  
Douglas H. Brooks, Chairman of the Board  
President and Chief Executive Officer