

Friendly Ian R  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
Friendly Ian R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/29/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

EVP, COO, US Retail

(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

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. 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	06/29/2009		A		44.0054	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	06/29/2009		A		51.2178	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	06/29/2009		A		7,042 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	06/29/2009		A		2,330 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0
Common Stock							376
						I	by Child #1 <sup>(2)</sup>

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Common Stock	376	I	by Child #2 <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	376	I	by Child #3 <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	8,522	I	by Trust <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	3,033	I	by Trust 2 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	3,975	I	by Trust 3 <sup>(5)</sup>

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 55.84	06/29/2009		A	70,420	06/29/2013	07/29/2019	Common Stock	70
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <sup>(6)</sup>	06/29/2009		A	2,330	06/29/2013	06/29/2013	Common Stock	2,
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <sup>(6)</sup>	06/29/2009		A	7,042	06/29/2013	06/29/2013	Common Stock	7,

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Friendly Ian R NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD			EVP, COO, US Retail	

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

## Signatures

By: Trevor V. Gunderson For: Ian R.  
Friendly

07/01/2009

\_\_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) Award of restricted stock units that vest on June 29, 2013
- (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) Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of General Mills, Inc. common stock.

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