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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Gallopoulos Gregory S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, Â 2941 **FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE**

(Street)

FALLS CHURCH, VAÂ 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP [GD]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other

(give title below) (specify below) Senior VP, Gen. Counsel, Sec. 6. Individual or Joint/Group

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

> (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect

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Common Stock, \$1.00 par value 14,830

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	(1)	03/03/2014	Common Stock	131,300	\$ 40.09	D	Â
Stock Options	(2)	07/13/2013	Common Stock	46,500	\$ 81.71	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Gallopoulos Gregory S C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE FALLS CHURCH. VA 22042	Â	Â	Senior VP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.	Â			

Signatures

Gregory S.
Gallopoulos

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/06/2010

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) Fifty percent become exercisable on 3/4/10 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 3/4/11.
- (2) Fifty percent became exercisable on 7/14/09 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 7/14/10.

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