

GENERAL MILLS INC  
Form 4  
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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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/23/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, COO, US Retail

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 56.9097   | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 82.89   | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 6,349 <sup>(1)</sup>  | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 2,045 <sup>(1)</sup>  | A  | \$ 0  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | I  | 376   |

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 | 5,497 | I | by Trust <sup>(3)</sup>    |
| Common Stock | 1,463 | I | by Trust 2 <sup>(4)</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   |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 63.4  | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              | 63,488  | 06/23/2012 07/23/2018                                    | Common Stock 63   |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0 <sup>(5)</sup>                                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              | 6,349   | 06/23/2012 06/23/2012                                    | Common Stock 6,   |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0 <sup>(5)</sup>                                    | 06/23/2008                           |  | A                              | 2,045   | 06/23/2012 06/23/2012                                    | Common Stock 2,   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                     |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer             | Other |
| Friendly Ian R<br>NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426 |               |           | EVP, COO, US Retail |       |

## Signatures

By: Christopher A. Rauschl For: Ian R.  
Friendly

06/25/2008

\_\_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 23, 2012.
  - (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) Each restricted stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of General Mills, Inc. common stock.

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