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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD FRIDAY, MAY 2, 2008

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March 28, 2008

The 2008 annual meeting of shareholders of Marriott International, Inc. (the *Company*) will be held at the JW Marriott Hotel, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004 on Friday, May 2, 2008, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Doors to the meeting will open at 9:30 a.m. At the meeting, shareholders will act on the following matters:

- 1. Election of directors;
- Ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2008; and
- 3. Any other matters that may properly be presented at the meeting.

Shareholders of record at the close of business on March 11, 2008, are entitled to notice of and to vote at this meeting.

For the convenience of our shareholders, proxies may be given either by telephone, electronically through the Internet, or by completing, signing, and returning the enclosed proxy card. In addition, shareholders may elect to receive future shareholder communications, including proxy materials, through the Internet. Instructions for each of these options can be found in the enclosed materials.

By order of the Board of Directors, Bancroft S. Gordon

Secretary

PLEASE REFER TO THE OUTSIDE BACK COVER FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETING AND INFORMATION ON PARKING, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND LODGING.

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MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL, INC.

10400 FERNWOOD ROAD, BETHESDA, MARYLAND 20817

PROXY STATEMENT

Our board of directors solicits your proxy for the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders of Marriott International, Inc. (we, us, or the Company) to be held on Friday, May 2, 2008, beginning at 10:30 a.m., at the JW Marriott Hotel, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004, and at any postponements or adjournments of the meeting. This proxy statement is first being released to shareholders by the Company on March 28, 2008.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF PROXY MATERIALS FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 2, 2008:

THE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANNUAL REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE AT http://bnymellon.mobular.net/bnymellon/mar

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE MEETING

What is the purpose of the annual meeting?

At our annual meeting, shareholders will act upon the matters described in the accompanying notice of meeting. These actions include the election of directors, ratification of the appointment of the independent registered public accounting firm (sometimes referred to as the *independent auditor*) and any other matter that may be properly presented at the meeting. In addition, our management will report on the Company s performance during fiscal 2007 and respond to questions from shareholders.

Who is entitled to vote?

Only shareholders of record at the close of business on the record date, March 11, 2008, are entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the meeting, or any postponement or adjournment of the meeting. Each outstanding share of the Company s Class A common stock entitles its holder to cast ten votes on each matter to be voted upon.

Who can attend the meeting?

All shareholders of record at the close of business on the record date, or their duly appointed proxies, may attend the meeting. Cameras, recording devices and other electronic devices will not be permitted at the meeting.

You will find directions to the meeting, and information on parking, public transportation and lodging, on the back cover of this proxy statement.

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What constitutes a quorum?

The presence at the meeting, in person or by proxy, of the holders of a majority of the shares of Class A common stock of the Company outstanding on the record date and entitled to vote will constitute a quorum. A quorum is required for business to be conducted at the meeting. As of the March 11, 2008 record date, 354,269,691 shares of our Class A common stock were outstanding and entitled to vote. If you submit a properly executed proxy card, even if you abstain from voting, then you will be considered part of the quorum. Similarly, broker non-votes (described below) will be counted in determining whether there is a quorum.

How do I vote?

You may vote either by casting your vote in person at the meeting, or by marking, signing and dating each proxy card you receive and returning it in the prepaid envelope, by telephone, or electronically through the Internet by following the instructions included on your proxy card.

The telephone and Internet voting procedures are designed to authenticate votes cast by use of a personal identification number. The procedures, which are designed to comply with Delaware law, allow shareholders to appoint a proxy to vote their shares and to confirm that their instructions have been properly recorded.

If you hold your shares in street name through a broker or other nominee, you may be able to vote by telephone or electronically through the Internet in accordance with the voting instructions provided by that institution.

What does the Board recommend?

The Board s recommendations are set forth after the description of each item in this proxy statement. In summary, the Board recommends a vote:

- FOR election of the 10 director nominees (see Item 1 on page 5); and
- FOR ratification of the appointment of the independent auditor (see Item 2 on page 6).

Unless you give other instructions, the persons named as proxy holders on the proxy card will vote in accordance with the Board s recommendations.

How will my shares be voted?

Your shares will be voted as you indicate on the proxy card. If you return your signed proxy card but do not mark the boxes indicating how you wish to vote, your shares will be voted FOR the election of the 10 director nominees listed below and FOR the ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent auditor for 2008.

Can I change my vote or revoke my proxy after I return my proxy card, or after I vote by telephone or electronically?

Yes. Even after you have submitted your proxy, you may change your vote at any time before the proxy is exercised at the meeting. Regardless of the way in which you submitted your original proxy, you may change it by:

(1) Returning a later-dated signed proxy card;

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- (2) Delivering a written notice of revocation to Mellon Investor Services LLC, P.O. Box 358015, Pittsburgh, PA 15252-8015;
- (3) Voting by telephone or the Internet; or
- (4) Voting in person at the meeting.

If your shares are held through a broker or other nominee, you will need to contact that institution if you wish to change your voting instructions.

How do I vote my 401(k) shares?

If you participate in the Company's Employees Profit Sharing, Retirement and Savings Plan and Trust (the 401(k) Plan) or the Sodexho Employee Savings Plan, you may give voting instructions as to the number of share equivalents allocated to your account as of the record date. You may provide voting instructions to the trustee under the applicable plan by completing and returning the proxy card accompanying this proxy statement. The trustee will vote your shares in accordance with your duly executed instructions if they are received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday, April 29, 2008. If you do not send instructions by this deadline or if you do not vote by proxy or return your proxy card with an unclear voting designation or no voting designation at all, the trustee will vote the number of shares equal to the share equivalents credited to your account in the same proportion that it votes shares for which it did receive timely instructions.

What vote is required to approve each item?

If you hold your shares in street name through a broker or other nominee, your broker or nominee may not be permitted to exercise voting discretion on some of the items to be acted upon. Thus, if you do not give your broker or nominee specific instructions, your shares may not be voted on those items and will not be counted in determining the number of shares necessary for approval for each item.

In the election of directors, each nominee must receive more FOR votes than AGAINST in order to be elected as a director. Instructions to ABSTAIN and broker non-votes will have no effect on the election of directors.

For ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm, the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of Class A common stock represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote on the item will be required for approval. Instructions to ABSTAIN with respect to this item will not be treated as votes cast, although they will be counted for purposes of determining the number of shares represented and entitled to vote. Accordingly, an abstention will have the effect of a vote AGAINST this item. Broker non-votes will not have any effect on the outcome of votes for this item.

Who will count the vote?

Representatives of Mellon Investor Services LLC, our independent stock transfer agent, will count the votes and act as the inspector of election.

What shares are included on my proxy card(s)?

The shares on your proxy card(s) represent ALL of your shares of Class A common stock that the Company s stock transfer records indicate that you hold, including (i) any shares you may hold through the Mellon Investor Services Program for Marriott International, Inc. Shareholders administered by Mellon

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Bank, N.A.; (ii) if you are a current or former Marriott employee, any shares that may be held for your account by The Northern Trust Company as custodian for the 401(k) Plan; and (iii) if you are a current or former Sodexho Inc. employee, any shares that may be held for your account by State Street Bank and Trust Company as trustee for the Sodexho Employee Savings Plan. If you have shares in the 401(k) Plan or the Sodexho Employee Savings Plan and do not vote by proxy, or return your proxy card with an unclear voting designation or no voting designation at all, then the 401(k) Plan trustee or State Street, as applicable, will vote your shares in proportion to the way the other 401(k) Plan participants or Sodexho Employee Savings Plan participants, as applicable, voted their shares. Shares that are held in street name through a broker or other nominee are not included on the proxy card(s) furnished by the Company, but the institution will provide you with a voting instruction form.

What does it mean if I receive more than one proxy card?

If your shares are registered under different names or are held in more than one account, you may receive more than one proxy card. To ensure that all your shares are voted, please sign and return all proxy cards, or if you choose, vote by telephone or through the Internet using the personal identification number printed on each proxy card. We encourage you to have all accounts registered in the same name and address (whenever possible). You can accomplish this by contacting our transfer agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC, at (800) 311-4816.

How will voting on any other business be conducted?

Although we currently do not know of any business to be considered at the 2008 annual meeting other than the proposals described in this proxy statement, if any other business is properly presented at the annual meeting, your proxy gives authority to J.W. Marriott, Jr. and/or William J. Shaw to vote on such matters at their discretion.

When are shareholder proposals for the 2009 annual meeting of shareholders due?

To be considered for inclusion in our proxy statement for the 2009 annual meeting of shareholders, shareholder proposals must be received at our offices no later than November 28, 2008. Proposals must comply with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and must be submitted in writing to the Corporate Secretary, Marriott International, Inc., Department 52/862, Marriott Drive, Washington, D.C. 20058.

In addition, our bylaws require that, if a shareholder desires to introduce a shareholder proposal or nominate a director candidate from the floor of the 2009 annual meeting of shareholders, the shareholder must submit such proposal or nomination in writing to the Company's Secretary at the above address not later than February 1, 2009. The written proposal or nomination must comply with our bylaws. The Chairman of the meeting may refuse to acknowledge or introduce any shareholder proposal or the nomination of any person made after February 1, 2009, or that does not comply with our bylaws. If a shareholder fails to meet these deadlines or satisfy the requirements of Rule 14a-4 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the proxies we solicit allow us to vote on such proposals as we deem appropriate. You can find a copy of our bylaws in the Investor Relations section of the Company's website (www.marriott.com/investor) by clicking on Corporate Governance & Social Responsibility or you may obtain a copy by submitting a request to the Corporate Secretary, Marriott International, Inc., Department 52/862, Marriott Drive, Washington, D.C. 20058.

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How much did this proxy solicitation cost and who paid that cost?

The Company paid for this proxy solicitation. We hired MacKenzie Partners, Inc. to assist in the distribution of proxy materials and solicitation of votes for an estimated fee of \$6,500, plus reimbursement of certain out-of-pocket expenses. We also reimburse brokerage houses and other custodians, nominees and fiduciaries for their reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for forwarding proxy and solicitation materials to shareholders. Proxies will be solicited by mail, telephone, or other means of communication. Our directors, officers and regular employees who are not specifically employed for proxy solicitation purposes and who will not receive any additional compensation for such activities may also solicit proxies.

Can I receive future shareholder communications electronically through the Internet?

Yes. You may elect to receive future notices of meetings, proxy materials and annual reports electronically through the Internet. If you have previously consented to electronic delivery, your consent will remain in effect until withdrawn. To consent to electronic delivery:

- If your shares are registered in your own name, and not in street name through a broker or other nominee, simply log in to Investor ServiceDirect, the Internet site maintained by our transfer agent, Mellon Investor Services LLC, at www.melloninvestor.com/isd and the step-by-step instructions will prompt you through enrollment.
- If your shares are registered in street name through a broker or other nominee, you must first vote your shares using the Internet, at
 <u>www.proxyvote.com</u>, and immediately after voting, fill out the consent form that appears on-screen at the end of the Internet voting
 procedure.

You may withdraw this consent at any time and resume receiving shareholder communications in print form.

PROPOSALS TO BE VOTED ON

ITEM 1 Election of Directors

All of our directors, except for Dr. Floretta Dukes McKenzie (as described below), are standing for election at the 2008 annual meeting, and each director elected will hold office for a term expiring at the 2009 annual meeting of shareholders or until his or her successor is elected or appointed.

The following current directors of the Company have been nominated for re-election as a director:

J.W. Marriott, Jr. John W. Marriott III Steven S Reinemund

Lawrence W. Kellner George Muñoz William J. Shaw Debra L. Lee Harry J. Pearce Lawrence M. Small

In addition, the Board has nominated Mary K. Bush for election as a new director.

You can find information on the director nominees beginning on page 6.

We do not know of any reason why any of the nominees would be unable to serve. However, if any of the nominees should become unavailable to serve as a director, the Board may designate a substitute nominee or reduce the size of the board. If the Board designates a substitute nominee, the persons named as proxies will vote FOR that substitute nominee.

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Richard S. Braddock resigned from the Board on February 5, 2008, and Dr. McKenzie, whose term ends on the date of the 2008 annual meeting, is not standing for re-election as a director. The Board wishes to thank both Mr. Braddock and Dr. McKenzie for their service to the Company. Because of Dr. McKenzie s impending departure, the Board of Directors has reduced the size of the Board from 11 to 10 directors, effective as of the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders.

The Company s bylaws prescribe the voting standard for election of directors as a majority of the votes cast in an uncontested election, such as this one, where the number of nominees does not exceed the number of directors to be elected. Under this standard, a nominee must receive more FOR votes than AGAINST votes in order to be elected as a director. In a contested election, where the number of nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected (which is not the case at the 2008 annual meeting), the directors will be elected by a plurality of the shares present in person or by proxy and entitled to vote on the election of directors. Under the Company s bylaws, if a nominee who already serves as a director is not elected, that nominee shall offer to tender his or her resignation to the Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will then recommend to the Board whether to accept or reject the resignation, or whether other action should be taken. Within 90 days of the certification of election results, the Board will publicly disclose its decision regarding whether to accept or reject the resignation.

The Board recommends a vote FOR each of the 10 director nominees.

ITEM 2 Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Audit Committee of the Board of Directors has appointed Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2008. Ernst & Young LLP, a firm of registered public accountants, has served as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm since May 3, 2002. Ernst & Young LLP will examine and report to shareholders on the consolidated financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries.

Representatives of Ernst & Young LLP will be present at the annual meeting, will have an opportunity to make a statement if they so desire, and are expected to be available to respond to questions. You can find information on pre-approval of independent auditor fees and Ernst & Young LLP s 2007 and 2006 fees beginning on page 18.

The Board of Directors has put this proposal before the shareholders because the Board believes that seeking shareholder ratification of the appointment of the independent auditor is good corporate practice. If the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP is not ratified, the Audit Committee will evaluate the basis for the shareholders—vote when determining whether to continue the firm—s engagement.

The Board recommends a vote FOR ratification of the appointment of Ernst & Young LLP as the Company s independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2008.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Our Board of Directors

Each of the following individuals presently serves on our Board of Directors and has a term of office expiring at the 2008 annual meeting. The age shown below for each director is as of May 2, 2008, which is the date of the annual meeting. Each director has been nominated for a one-year term ending at the 2009 annual meeting of shareholders or the election or appointment of his or her successor:

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J.W. Marriott, Jr. (Chairman of the Board), age: 76. Mr. Marriott is Chairman of the Board of Directors and our Chief Executive Officer. He joined Marriott Corporation in 1956, became President and a director in 1964, Chief Executive Officer in 1972 and Chairman of the Board in 1985. Mr. Marriott also is a director of the United States Naval Academy Foundation and Chairman of the President s Export Council. He serves on the board of trustees of the National Geographic Society and The J. Willard & Alice S. Marriott Foundation, the executive committee of the World Travel & Tourism Council, and is a member of the National Business Council.

Mr. Marriott has served as our Chairman and Chief Executive Officer since the Company s inception in 1997, and served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company s predecessors from 1985. He is the father of John W. Marriott III. Mr. Marriott has been a director of the Company or its predecessors since 1964.

John W. Marriott III (Vice Chairman of the Board), age: 47. Mr. Marriott is Chief Executive Officer of JWM Family Enterprises, L.P., a private partnership which develops and owns hotels. He was appointed Vice Chairman of the Company s Board of Directors in October 2005. Until December 30, 2005, Mr. Marriott was the Company s Executive Vice President-Lodging and President of North American Lodging. Over the past 30 years, Mr. Marriott also served in a number of other positions with the Company and its predecessors, including Executive Vice President of Sales & Marketing, Brand Management, and Operations Planning and Support, Senior Vice President for Marriott s Mid-Atlantic Region, Vice President of

Development, Director of Finance, General Manager, Director of Food & Beverage, restaurant manager and cook. In April 2002, Mr. Marriott was named by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the Japanese government to co-chair a special task force to promote travel between the United States and Japan. In January 2004, he was named one of the most influential executives by Business Travel News. Mr. Marriott serves as a director on the boards of the National Zoo and the Washington Airport Task Force. He is the son of J.W. Marriott, Jr. Mr. Marriott has been a director of the Company since 2002.

Lawrence W. Kellner, age: 49. Mr. Kellner is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Continental Airlines, Inc. He served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Continental Airlines from March 2003 to December 30, 2004, as President from May 2001 to March 2003 and has been a member of Continental Airlines board of directors since 2001. He joined the airline in 1995 as Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Kellner is also a director of the Air Transport Association. On the civic front, he is a member of the board of directors for the Greater Houston Partnership, Houston Minority Business Council, Central

Houston, Inc., the Methodist Hospital and the Spring Branch Education Foundation, and is a member of the Boy Scouts of America National Executive Board. Mr. Kellner also serves on the advisory board of the March of Dimes. Mr. Kellner has been a director of the Company since 2002.

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Debra L. Lee, age: 53. Ms. Lee is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of BET Networks, a media and entertainment subsidiary of Viacom, Inc. that owns and operates Black Entertainment Television and several other ventures. She joined BET in 1986 and served in a number of executive posts before ascending to her present position in January 2006, including President and Chief Executive Officer from June 2005, President and Chief Operating Officer from 1995 to May 2005, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, and Vice President and General Counsel. Prior to joining BET, Ms. Lee was an attorney with Washington, D.C.-based law firm

Steptoe & Johnson. She serves on the boards of directors of the following publicly traded companies: Eastman Kodak Company, WGL Holdings, Inc., and Revlon, Inc. She is also a director of the following professional and civic organizations: the National Cable & Telecommunications Association, Center for Communication, Girls, Inc., the Kennedy Center s Community & Friends, the National Symphony Orchestra, and the Alvin Ailey Dance Theater. She is a Trustee Emeritus at Brown University. Ms. Lee has been a director of the Company since 2004.

George Muñoz, age: 56. Mr. Muñoz has been a principal in the Washington, D.C.-based firm Muñoz Investment Banking Group, LLC since 2001. He has also been a partner in the Chicago-based law firm Tobin, Petkus & Muñoz LLC since 2001. He served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Overseas Private Investment Corporation from 1997 to January 2001. Mr. Muñoz was Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury Department from 1993 until 1997. Mr. Muñoz is a certified public accountant and an attorney. He is a director of the following publicly traded companies: Altria Group, Inc., Anixter International, Inc.,

and Esmark, Inc. He also serves on the board of trustees of the National Geographic Society. Mr. Muñoz has been a director of the Company since 2002.

Harry J. Pearce, age: 65. Mr. Pearce has been Chairman of Nortel Networks Corporation since 2005 and Chairman of MDU Resources Group, Inc. since 2006. He was Chairman of Hughes Electronics Corporation, a subsidiary of General Motors Corporation, from May 2001 until the sale by General Motors of its interest in Hughes in December 2003. He had served on the Hughes Board since November 1992. Mr. Pearce is a member of the board of directors of the New York Bone Marrow Foundation, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Research Foundation, the Marrow Foundation, Lauri Strauss Leukemia Foundation, Stewart Franke Leukemia

Foundation and the National Bone Marrow Transplant Link. He also serves on the board of trustees of Northwestern University and the advisory board of the University of Michigan Cancer Center. Mr. Pearce has been a director of the Company or its predecessors since 1995.

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Steven S Reinemund, age: 59. Mr. Reinemund retired from Pepsico in 2007. He served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer from 2001 until 2006 and Chairman until May 2007. He joined Pepsico in 1984 and held the positions of President and Chief Executive Officer Pizza Hut, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Frito-Lay and President and Chief Operating Officer Pepsico. He was a director of Pepsico from 1996 until May 2007. He is a director of American Express Company, Exxon Mobil Corp. and Johnson & Johnson. He is also a member of the board of directors of the United States Naval Academy Foundation and the Cooper Institute. Mr. Reinemund has been a director of the Company since 2007.

William J. Shaw, age: 62. Mr. Shaw has served as President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company or its predecessors since 1997. He joined Marriott Corporation in 1974, was elected Corporate Controller in 1979 and a Vice President in 1982. In 1986, Mr. Shaw was elected Senior Vice President-Finance and Treasurer of Marriott Corporation. He was elected Chief Financial Officer and Executive Vice President of Marriott Corporation in April 1988. In 1992, he was elected President of the Marriott Service Group. Mr. Shaw serves on the board of trustees of the University of Notre Dame. He also serves on the NCAA Leadership Advisory Board.

Mr. Shaw has been a director of the Company or its predecessors since 1997.

Lawrence M. Small, age: 66. Mr. Small is the former Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, a position he held from January 2000 to March 2007. Mr. Small previously had been President and Chief Operating Officer of Fannie Mae, a shareholder-owned New York Stock Exchange listed company and the nation s largest source of financing for home mortgages, from 1991 to 2000. Before joining Fannie Mae, he served as Vice Chairman and Chairman of the executive committee of the boards of directors of Citicorp and Citibank, N.A. He currently also serves on the board of directors of The Chubb Corporation and New York City s Spanish

Repertory Theater. Mr. Small has served as a director of the Company or its predecessors since 1995.

Sterling D. Colton, a former director of the Company s predecessors, holds the title of director emeritus, but does not vote at or attend Board of Directors meetings and is not a nominee for election.

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Director Retiring from the Board

Floretta Dukes McKenzie, age: 72. Dr. McKenzie has been Senior Advisor to the American Institute for Research since October 2004. She was the Chairman of The McKenzie Group, Inc. (an educational consulting firm) from 1997 until 2004. From 1981 to 1988, she served as Superintendent of the District of Columbia Public Schools and Chief State School Officer. Dr. McKenzie is a former director of Pepco Holdings, Inc. She is also a director or trustee of UNIFI Mutual Holding Company (Ameritas Life Insurance Corp., Acacia Life Insurance Company, The Union Central Life Insurance Company and affiliated companies), the National Geographic Society, CareFirst

(Blue Cross/Blue Shield), Howard University, the White House Historical Association, the Marriott Foundation for People with Disabilities, the American Institute for Research, and the Harvard Graduate School of Education Urban Superintendents Program. Dr. McKenzie has served as a director of the Company or its predecessors since 1992 and will be retiring from the Board at the expiration of her term at the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders.

The Board of Directors met four times in person in 2007. The Company encourages all directors to attend the annual meeting of shareholders. All directors attended the Company s annual shareholders meeting in 2007. Except for Mr. Pearce, no director attended fewer than 75% of the total number of meetings of the Board and Committees on which such director served. Due to surgery and hospitalization, Mr. Pearce was able to attend only 53% of the total number of meetings of the Board and Committees on which he served.

New Director Nominee

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board has recommended and the Board of Directors has approved Mary K. Bush as a new director nominee for a one-year term ending at the 2009 annual meeting or the election or appointment of her successor. Her age below is shown as of May 2, 2008, which is the date of the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders.

Mary K. Bush, age: 60. The Honorable Mary K. Bush has served as the President of Bush International, which advises U.S. corporations and foreign governments on international financial markets, banking and economic matters, since 1991. She has served as the U.S. Government s representative on the IMF Board, head of the Federal Home Loan Bank System and as a Board member of Sallie Mae. She led the International Finance Department at Fannie Mae and was advisor to the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury. Earlier in her career, she managed corporate banking and advisory relationships in New York at Citibank, Bankers Trust and Chase. In 2006, President Bush appointed her Chairman of the HELP Commission on reforming foreign

aid and she now serves on the U.S. Treasury Advisory Committee on the Auditing Profession. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Briggs & Stratton, Discover Financial Services, ManTech International Corporation, United Airlines Corporation and The Pioneer Family of Mutual Funds.

Ms. Bush was suggested to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee as a potential director candidate by our chief executive officer, J.W. Marriott, Jr. The Board has not yet assigned her to any of the Board s committees.

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Governance Principles

The Board has adopted Governance Principles that meet or exceed the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) Listing Standards. The portion of our Governance Principles addressing director independence appears below, and the full text of the Governance Principles can be found in the Investor Relations section of the Company s website (www.marriott.com/investor) by clicking on Corporate Governance & Social Responsibility. A copy may also be obtained upon request from the Company s Corporate Secretary. Our Governance Principles establish the limit on the number of board memberships for the Company s directors at four, including Marriott. In recommending Ms. Bush as a nominee for election, the Board waived that limit to allow her to be a member of six boards. In approving the waiver, the Board considered that Ms. Bush was not an executive at an operating company and therefore would have sufficient time to effectively carry out her duties and responsibilities as a Board member.

Director Independence

Our Governance Principles include the following standards for director independence:

- 5. <u>Independence of Directors</u>. From and after the 2007 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, at least two-thirds of the directors shall be independent, provided that having fewer independent directors due to the departure, addition or change in independent status of one or more directors is permissible temporarily, so long as the two-thirds requirement is again satisfied by the later of the next annual meeting of shareholders or nine months. To be considered independent, the board must determine that a director has no direct or indirect material relationship with Marriott. The board has established the following guidelines to assist it in determining director independence:
- a. A director is not independent if, within the preceding three years: (i) the director was employed by Marriott or a Marriott affiliate, or Marriott s independent auditor or otherwise affiliated with Marriott s independent auditor; (ii) an immediate family member of the director was employed by Marriott or a Marriott affiliate as an executive officer or by Marriott s independent auditor in a professional capacity; (iii) the director is, or in the past three years has been, part of an interlocking directorate in which the director is employed by another company for which an executive officer of Marriott is a director who serves on the compensation committee of that other company; or (iv) the director receives, or an immediate family member receives, more than \$100,000 per year in direct compensation from Marriott, other than director and committee fees or other forms of deferred compensation for prior service (provided such compensation is not contingent in any way on continued service).
- b. The following commercial or charitable relationships are not material relationships that would impair a Marriott director—s independence: (i) service as an executive officer of another company that does business with Marriott where the annual sales to, or purchases from, Marriott are in an amount equal to or less than the greater of \$1 million or two percent of the consolidated gross annual revenues of that other company; (ii) service as an executive officer of another company which is indebted to Marriott, or to which Marriott is indebted, where the total amount of either company s indebtedness to the other is less than two percent of the total consolidated assets of the other company; and (iii) service by a Marriott director or his or her immediate family member as an officer, director or trustee of a charitable organization, where Marriott s discretionary charitable contributions to that organization are in an amount equal to or less than the greater of \$1 million or two percent of that organization s consolidated gross annual revenues. The board annually reviews all commercial and charitable relationships of directors, and publishes whether directors previously identified as independent continue to satisfy the foregoing tests.

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c. For relationships not covered by the guidelines in paragraph (b) above, the determination of whether the relationship is material or not, and therefore whether the director would be independent or not, shall be made by the directors who satisfy the independence guidelines set forth in paragraphs (a) and (b) above.

The Board undertook its annual review of director independence in February 2008 and subsequently reviewed the independence of the new director nominee, Mary K. Bush, in March 2008. As provided in the Governance Principles, the purpose of these reviews was to determine whether any such relationships or transactions were inconsistent with a determination that the director or nominee is independent.

During these reviews, the Board recognized the current or recent employment of J.W. Marriott, Jr., John W. Marriott III, and William J. Shaw and the family relationships of J.W. Marriott, Jr. and John W. Marriott III with other Company executives. The Board considered that the remaining director nominees each serve as directors or executive officers of companies that do business with Marriott and that in each case the payments to and from Marriott were significantly less than the two percent threshold in Marriott s Governance Principles. The Board further considered that the remaining nominees are also affiliated with charitable organizations that received contributions from Marriott and/or the J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation and that the contribution amounts were significantly below the charitable contribution threshold in Marriott s Governance Principles.

Based on the standards set forth in the Governance Principles and after reviewing the relationships described above, the Board affirmatively determined that Mary K. Bush, Lawrence W. Kellner, Debra L. Lee, George Muñoz, Harry J. Pearce, Steven S Reinemund, and Lawrence M. Small are each independent of the Company and its management. J.W. Marriott, Jr., John W. Marriott III, and William J. Shaw are considered not independent as a result of their employment with the Company and/or family relationships.

The Board considered the independence of Richard S. Braddock, who resigned from the Board on February 5, 2008, and Floretta Dukes McKenzie, who is not standing for re-election at the 2008 annual meeting, in advance of the 2007 annual meeting. The Board affirmatively determined that Mr. Braddock and Dr. McKenzie were independent of the Company and its management. In reaching this conclusion with respect to Mr. Braddock, the Board considered that Mr. Braddock served as a director of companies that did business with Marriott and that in each case the payments to and from Marriott were significantly less than the two percent threshold in Marriott s Governance Principles. In reaching this conclusion with respect to Dr. McKenzie, the Board considered that Dr. McKenzie served as a director of companies that did business with Marriott and that in each case the payments to and from Marriott were significantly less than the two percent threshold in Marriott s Governance Principles. In addition, the Board considered that Dr. McKenzie served on the board of the Marriott Foundation for People with Disabilities, a charitable organization. Approximately one-third of the charitable contributions made to the Foundation were made by the Company and the J. Willard and Alice S. Marriott Foundation, and the Board determined that these contributions did not impact Dr. McKenzie s independence in view of her position with the organization, the size of the contributions and the lack of her involvement in decisions relating to the contributions.

Committees of the Board

The Board of Directors has five standing committees: Audit, Compensation Policy, Nominating and Corporate Governance, Committee for Excellence, and Executive. The Board has adopted a written charter for each committee, and those charters are available on the Investor Relations section of our website (www.marriott.com/investor) by clicking on Corporate Governance & Social Responsibility. Copies of the committee charters also may be obtained upon request from the Company s Corporate Secretary.

Audit Committee

Members: George Muñoz (Chair), Lawrence W. Kellner, and Harry J. Pearce. Lawrence M. Small was a member of the Committee until April 27, 2007.

- The members of the Committee are not employees of the Company. The Board of Directors has determined that the members of the Committee are independent as defined under our Governance Principles, the NYSE Listing Standards and applicable U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules.
- The Audit Committee met four times in person and three times telephonically in 2007.
- There is unrestricted access between the Audit Committee and the independent auditors and internal auditors.
- The Board of Directors has determined that the following Audit Committee members are financial experts as defined in SEC rules:

George Muñoz

Lawrence W. Kellner

Harry J. Pearce

Responsibilities include:

- Appointing, retaining, overseeing, and determining the compensation and services of the Company s independent auditors.
- Pre-approving the terms of all audit services, and any permissible non-audit services, to be provided by the Company s independent auditors.
- Overseeing the independent auditors qualifications and independence, including considering whether any circumstance, including the
 performance of any permissible non-audit services, would impair the independence of the Company s independent registered public
 accounting firm.
- Overseeing the accounting, reporting, and financial practices of the Company and its subsidiaries, including the integrity of the Company s financial statements.
- Overseeing the Company s internal control environment and compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.
- Overseeing the performance of the Company s internal audit function and independent auditors.

Compensation Policy Committee

Members:

Steven S Reinemund (Chair), Floretta Dukes McKenzie (until the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders) and Lawrence M. Small. Harry J. Pearce was a member of the Committee until April 27, 2007 and Richard S. Braddock was the Chair of the Committee until his resignation from the Board on February 5, 2008.

- The members of the Committee are not employees of the Company. The Board of Directors has determined that the members of the Committee are independent as defined under our Governance Principles, the NYSE Listing Standards and applicable SEC rules.
- The Compensation Policy Committee met four times in 2007.

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Responsibilities include:

- Establishing the principles related to the compensation programs of the Company.
- Designing and recommending to the Board policies and procedures relating to senior officers compensation and employee benefit plans.
- Setting the annual compensation for the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer and the President, including salary, bonus
 and incentive and equity compensation, subject to approval by the Board.
- Approving executive officer and senior management salary adjustments, bonus payments and stock awards.
- Designing and recommending to the Board the annual compensation of non-employee directors compensation.

Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee

Members: Lawrence W. Kellner (Chair), Debra L. Lee, Floretta Dukes McKenzie (until the 2008 annual meeting of shareholders), and Steven S Reinemund. George Muñoz was a member of the Committee until April 27, 2007.

- The members of the Committee are not employees of the Company. The Board of Directors has determined that the members of the Committee are independent as defined under our Governance Principles, the NYSE Listing Standards and applicable SEC rules.
- The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee met four times in 2007.

Responsibilities include:

- Making recommendations to the Board regarding corporate governance matters and updates to the Governance Principles.
- Reviewing qualifications of candidates for Board membership.
- Advising the Board on a range of matters affecting the Board and its committees, including making recommendations with respect to
 qualifications of director candidates, selection of committee chairs, committee assignments and related matters affecting the
 functioning of the Board.
- Reviewing the Company s conflict of interest and related party transactions policies, and approving certain related party transactions as provided for in those policies.

Resolving conflict of interest questions involving directors and senior executive officers.

Committee for Excellence

Members:

Board of Director members include Debra L. Lee (Chair), George Muñoz, Lawrence M. Small, and William J. Shaw. Company officer members include Amy McPherson, Executive Vice President-Global Sales & Marketing; Norman K. Jenkins, Senior Vice President-North American Lodging Development; Kathleen Matthews, Executive Vice President-Global Communications and Public Affairs; and David A. Rodriguez, Executive Vice President-Global Human Resources. Harry J. Pearce was a member of the Committee until April 27, 2007.

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- The members of the Committee consist of at least three members of the Board of Directors. The Committee may also consist of officers and employees of the Company who are not directors. At least one member of the Committee is independent as defined under our Corporate Governance Principles and the NYSE Listing Standards. The Committee s charter provides that an independent director will always be the Chairman of the Committee.
- The Committee for Excellence met three times in 2007.

Responsibilities include:

- Identifying and encouraging efforts undertaken by the Company to promote and leverage the recruitment, retention, and advancement of women and minorities as employees of the Company.
- Identifying and evaluating efforts undertaken by the Company to promote and leverage an increasingly diverse ownership, franchisee, customer, and vendor base.
- Enhancing the public s recognition of the Company s efforts and successes to promote diversity and value people of different backgrounds, experiences, and cultures to benefit Marriott s strategic competitive advantage.

Executive Committee

Members: J.W. Marriott, Jr. (Chair) and Lawrence W. Kellner.

• The Executive Committee met once in 2007.

Responsibilities include:

• Exercises the powers of the Board when the Board is not in session, subject to specific restrictions as to powers retained by the full Board. Powers retained by the full Board include those relating to amendments to the certificate of incorporation and bylaws, mergers, consolidations, sales or exchanges involving substantially all of the Company s assets, dissolution and, unless specifically delegated by the Board to the Executive Committee, those powers relating to declarations of dividends and issuances of stock.

Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation

None of the members of the Compensation Policy Committee is or has been an officer or employee of the Company or had any relationship that is required to be disclosed as a transaction with a related party.

Meetings of Independent Directors

Company policy requires that the independent directors meet without management present at least twice a year. In 2007, the independent directors met without management present two times. The Chairman of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, currently Mr. Kellner, presides at the meetings of the independent directors without management present.

Selection of Director Nominees

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider candidates for Board membership suggested by its members and other Board members, as well as by management and shareholders. As a shareholder, you may recommend any person for consideration as a nominee for director by writing to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors, c/o

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Marriott International, Inc., Marriott Drive, Department 52/862, Washington, D.C. 20058. Recommendations must include the name and address of the shareholder making the recommendation, a representation that the shareholder is a holder of record of Class A common stock, biographical information about the individual recommended and any other information the shareholder believes would be helpful to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee in evaluating the individual recommended.

Once the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee has identified a candidate, the Committee evaluates the candidate against the qualifications set out in the Governance Principles, including:

- character, judgment, personal and professional ethics, integrity, values, and familiarity with national and international issues affecting business:
- depth of experience, skills, and knowledge complementary to the Board and the Company s business; and
- willingness to devote sufficient time to carry out the duties and responsibilities effectively.

The Committee also considers such other relevant factors as it deems appropriate. The Committee makes a recommendation to the full Board as to any persons it believes should be nominated by the Board, and the Board determines the nominees after considering the recommendation and report of the Committee. The procedures for considering candidates recommended by a shareholder for Board membership are consistent with the procedures for candidates recommended by members of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, other members of the Board or management.

Shareholder Communications with the Board

Shareholders and others interested in communicating with the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the Audit Committee, the non-employee directors, or any of the employee directors may do so by e-mail to business.ethics@marriott.com or in writing to the Business Ethics Department, One Marriott Drive, Department 52/924.09, Washington, D.C. 20058. All communications are forwarded to the appropriate directors for their review, except that the Board has instructed the Company not to forward solicitations, bulk mail or communications that do not address Company-related issues. The Company reports to the directors on the status of all outstanding concerns addressed to the non-employee directors, the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, or the Audit Committee on a quarterly basis. The non-employee directors, the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, or the Audit Committee may direct special procedures, including the retention of outside advisors or counsel, for any concern addressed to them.

Code of Ethics and Business Conduct Guide

The Company has long maintained and enforced an Ethical Conduct Policy that applies to all Marriott associates, including our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer and to each member of the Board of Directors. The Ethical Conduct Policy is available in the Investor Relations section of our website (www.marriott.com/investor) by clicking on Corporate Governance & Social Responsibility. Any future changes or amendments to our Ethical Conduct Policy, and any waiver of our Ethical Conduct Policy that applies to our Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer or a member of our Board of Directors, will be posted to our Investor Relations website. The Company also maintains a Business Conduct Guide that is available at the same location on our Investor Relations website. A copy of both the Ethical Conduct Policy and the Business Conduct Guide may also be obtained upon request from the

Company s Corporate Secretary.

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AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR FEES

Report of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee reviews the Company s financial reporting process on behalf of the Board of Directors. Management has the primary responsibility for the financial statements, the reporting process and maintaining an effective system of internal controls over financial reporting. The Company s independent auditors are engaged to audit and express opinions on the conformity of the Company s financial statements to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and the effectiveness of the Company s internal controls over financial reporting.

In this context, the Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the audited financial statements together with the results of management s assessment of the internal controls over financial reporting with management and the Company s independent auditor. The Audit Committee also discussed with the independent auditors those matters required to be discussed by the independent auditors with the Audit Committee under the rules adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (*PCAOB*) and the Audit Committee received and discussed with the independent auditors their annual written report on their independence from the Company and its management, as required by the PCAOB Rules.

Relying on the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors, and the Board has approved, that the audited financial statements be included in the Company s Annual Report on SEC Form 10-K for the year ended December 28, 2007, for filing with the SEC.

Members of the Audit Committee

George Muñoz, Chair

Lawrence W. Kellner

Harry J. Pearce

Pre-Approval of Independent Auditor Fees and Services Policy

The Audit Committee s Pre-Approval of Independent Auditor Fees and Services Policy provides for pre-approval of all audit, audit-related, tax and other permissible non-audit services provided by our principal independent auditor on an annual basis and additional services as needed. The policy also requires additional approval of any engagements that were previously approved but are anticipated to exceed pre-approved fee levels. The policy permits the Audit Committee Chair to pre-approve principal independent auditor services where the Company deems it necessary or advisable that such services commence prior to the next regularly scheduled meeting (provided that the Audit Committee Chair must report to the full Audit Committee on any pre-approval determinations).

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Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fee Disclosure

The following table presents fees for professional services rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm for the audit of our annual financial statements for fiscal 2007 and fiscal 2006 and fees billed for audit-related services, tax services and all other services rendered by our independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal 2007 and fiscal 2006. The Audit Committee approved all of the fees presented in the table below.

	Public Account Related	Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees Paid Related to Fiscal 2007 Ernst & Young LLP		Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm Fees Paid Related to Fiscal 2006 Ernst & Young LLP	
Audit Fees:					
Consolidated Audit(1)	\$	5,210,814	\$	5,019,056	
International Statutory Audits (2)		2,413,066		3,727,686	
		7,623,880		8,746,742	
Audit-Related Fees(3)		1,110,284		1,873,744	
Tax Fees (primarily compliance work)(4)		963,172		946,558	
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Total Fees	\$	9,697,336	\$	11,567,044	

- (1) Principally fees for the audit of the Company s annual financial statements, the audit of the effectiveness of the Company s internal controls over financial reporting pursuant to Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the auditors review of the Company s quarterly financial statements, and services provided in connection with the Company s regulatory filings.
- (2) Fees for statutory audits of our international subsidiaries.
- (3) Principally audits as required under our agreements with our hotel owners as well as audits of our employee benefits plans.
- (4) Principally tax compliance services related to our international entities. In addition, includes approximately \$2,500 and \$10,000 of individual tax compliance services procured on behalf of our internationally based expatriate associates for fiscal 2007 and 2006, respectively.

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EXECUTIVE AND DIRECTOR COMPENSATION

Report of the Compensation Policy Committee

The Compensation Policy Committee (the *Committee*), which is composed solely of independent members of the Board of Directors, assists the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities relating to executive compensation. The Committee is responsible for overseeing compensation programs that enable the Company to attract, retain and motivate executives capable of establishing and implementing business plans in the best interests of the shareholders. The Committee, on behalf of and in certain instances subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, reviews and approves compensation programs for certain senior officer positions. In this context, the Committee reviewed and discussed with management the Company s Compensation Discussion and Analysis required by section 402(b) of Regulation S-K. Following the reviews and discussions referred to above, the Committee recommended to the Board that the Compensation Discussion and Analysis be included in the Company s annual report on Form 10-K and this proxy statement.

The Compensation Policy Committee

Floretta Dukes McKenzie

Steven S Reinemund

Lawrence M. Small

Compensation Discussion and Analysis

This section explains the Company s executive compensation program for the following Named Executive Officers:

J.W. Marriott, Jr. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William J. Shaw President and Chief Operating Officer

James M. Sullivan Executive Vice President, Lodging Development

Arne M. Sorenson Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and President Continental

European Lodging Operations

Robert J. McCarthy President, North American Lodging Operations and Global Brand

Management

Philosophy

The Company believes that the Named Executive Officers should be paid in a manner that contributes to shareholder value. Therefore, compensation is designed to motivate the Named Executive Officers to perform their duties in ways that will help the Company achieve its short-and long-term objectives. In addition, each element of compensation is designed to provide the Company with the ability to attract and

retain important talent both within and outside of our industry at costs consistent with market practice. In following this compensation philosophy, Named Executive Officer total compensation consists of the following elements:

Base Salary

Annual Bonuses

Annual and Supplemental Stock Awards

Other Benefits

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Compensation Consultant

The Compensation Policy Committee selected and retained a compensation consultant, Pearl Meyer & Partners, to assist the Committee in establishing and implementing executive and director compensation strategy. The consultant sprimary responsibilities for 2007 are described below. The consultant reports to and was instructed in its duties by the Committee. In carrying out its responsibilities, the consultant worked with the Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources. The consultant receives no other compensation from the Company outside its role as advisor to the Committee, other than fees paid by the Company for the CHiPS Executive & Senior Management Survey (see Market Data below).

Total Compensation

The Committee sets total compensation and each element of pay for the Named Executive Officers, subject to approval by the full Board of Directors for Mr. Marriott and Mr. Shaw. The Committee refers to the total compensation of executives between the 50th and 75th percentiles of a broad-based and select group of companies (as described below) as a guideline for setting Named Executive Officer compensation. In our experience, this range of total compensation typically is sufficient to attract and retain key executive talent. However, the Committee retains discretion to deviate from this range in the event of superior Company or individual performance or competitive recruiting pressures.

For 2007, total compensation for Messrs. Marriott, Shaw, Sorenson and McCarthy in all cases fell below the 75th percentile and was within or approximately within the 50th to 75th percentile range. The Committee set the total compensation level for Mr. Sullivan by reviewing publicly-disclosed compensation data for development and real estate executives at other hotel companies. It also considered his historical contributions to the Company and experience in the Marriott development organization. The Committee values continuity of leadership within the real estate markets and believes this gives Mr. Sullivan a unique perspective on our business and brands. In addition, Mr. Sullivan s compensation reflects his responsibilities for leading the Owner and Franchise Services and Mergers and Acquisitions departments.

Prior to each fiscal year, the Company s Human Resources Department collects and analyzes external market data for the Named Executive Officer positions and assesses how the Named Executive Officers compensation compares to the 50 to 75th percentile range. Based on this review, the Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources presents to the Committee a summary of the market data and recommends appropriate adjustments for total compensation and each element of compensation. For base salary, he recommends a percentage increase. For annual stock awards, he recommends a dollar value for the awards which is later converted into a number of shares based on the value of a share of Company stock on the grant date of the award. In addition, he recommends plan design threshold, target, and maximum payout targets for the next fiscal year annual bonus plans, stated as a percentage of base salary.

Prior to making his recommendations to the Committee, the Executive Vice President, Global Human Resources consults with the Chief Executive Officer about the analysis regarding all elements of executive pay due to Mr. Marriott s extensive knowledge and historical perspective of the business community, the Company and the hotel industry. For example, Mr. Marriott historically has provided valuable insight on issues such as pay equity among executives, share usage and industry practice. In 2007, Mr. Marriott reviewed the achievements of each Named Executive Officer for the fiscal year and presented these accomplishments to the Committee.

The Committee reviews the above recommendations, obtains further input and counsel from Pearl Meyer & Partners, considers any appropriate changes, and in its sole discretion, determines payouts and awards of compensation for each Named Executive Officer for the fiscal year. For Mr. Marriott s and

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Mr. Shaw s compensation, the Committee reports its recommendations for full Board approval. The Committee does not follow a specific formula for allocating the amount of compensation among each element of pay, but reviews the value delivered through each element and the mix of total compensation against the market data for the Named Executive Officers and makes adjustments in its discretion. For example, the Company does not offer a traditional pension plan. The Committee believes that this is an appropriate departure from market practice because the Company allocates a higher portion of compensation to equity pay, which provides long-term income potential that is linked to shareholder value.

In its final determination, the Committee is not constrained by rigid/categorical guidelines or formulae to determine the elements and levels of compensation for the executive officers. It relies upon its collective judgment as applied to the challenges confronting the Company as well as subjective factors such as leadership ability, individual performance, retention needs and future potential.

For 2007, the Committee determined that the prior-year allocation for the annual bonus component of total compensation of the Named Executive Officers was significantly lower than that which was reported in the market data for 2007. In addition, the equity component of total compensation was more heavily weighted than the equity component of total compensation observed in the market data. For these reasons, the Committee reallocated the mix of pay by increasing the annual bonus opportunity and decreasing the annual equity value range for all of the Named Executive Officers for 2007. As a result of these adjustments, for 2007 the annual stock awards represented approximately 70% of total compensation for the Named Executive Officers, and annual bonuses were approximately 15 20%. The balance of total compensation was comprised of base salary, retirement and other benefits.

Market Data

The external market data includes several revenue-based surveys as well as a custom survey of companies specifically selected by the Committee. In general, the revenue-based surveys used for establishing Named Executive Officer pay include companies with median annual revenue ranging from \$10 to \$20 billion. For 2007, the surveys were the CHiPS Executive & Senior Management Survey, the Hewitt Total Compensation Measurement: Executive Survey, the Towers Perrin CDB Executive Database, and the Fred Cook Survey of Long-Term Incentives. The Committee did not consider the individual companies in the revenue-based surveys when making compensation decisions. The custom survey consisted of the following hospitality, brand and service companies:

American Express	Darden Restaurants	J.C. Penney	Starwood Hotels & Resorts
AMR	FedEx	Kellogg	Walt Disney
Anheuser-Busch	General Mills	Kimberly-Clark	Yum! Brands
Cendant	H.J. Heinz	Limited Brands	
Colgate-Palmolive	Hilton Hotels	McDonalds	

The Committee believes, based on the recommendation of the compensation consultant, that the companies participating in the revenue-based and custom surveys represent the broad pool of executive talent for which the Company competes. In addition, each year the compensation consultant reviews a summary of the survey results and advises the Committee as to whether the survey results are credible based on its analysis of other surveys and its general analysis of current compensation practices. For 2007, the compensation consultant advised the Committee that the survey results were appropriate and supported the compensation recommendations for the Named Executive Officers.

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In reviewing the data, management may utilize discretion in determining the relevance of each survey. For example, the surveys do not reflect a relevant position match for the Executive Vice President, Lodging Development. In addition, when reviewing the survey results for Chief Financial Officers, the Committee considered adjustments for the fact that the survey data do not reflect Mr. Sorenson s additional responsibilities as President Continental European Lodging Operations. These adjustments are not formulaic, but are based on subjective evaluations of the relative pay and contributions to the Company of each Named Executive Officer.

Base Salary

The Committee approves individual base salary adjustments for the Named Executive Officers (subject to Board approval for Mr. Marriott s and Mr. Shaw s salary adjustments) each February for the current fiscal year, with retroactive adjustments to the first day of the fiscal year. For 2007, the Human Resources Department compiled and presented data to the Committee demonstrating that the average annual base salary increase for the overall market for senior executives in recent years has ranged from 3% to 5%. The Human Resources Department recommended the increases be approximately 5% for each of the Named Executive Officers because the Company had strong results for 2006 and because the Named Executive Officer leadership team was recognized to have contributed significantly to those results. The compensation consultant reviewed and supported the recommendations. Based on these recommendations and its subjective assessment of the executives individual contributions and internal pay equity among the executives, the Committee approved, for 2007, a 5.0% annual increase in base salary for Mr. Marriott and a 5.1% annual increase for Messrs. Shaw, Sullivan and Sorenson. Mr. McCarthy s base pay was increased by 10%, which includes a 5.1% annual increase plus an additional increase to reflect an expansion of his scope of responsibility from President, North American Lodging Operations to President, North American Lodging Operations and Global Brand Management.

Annual Bonuses

To promote growth and profitability, the Company maintains two annual cash bonus plans: the Marriott International, Inc. Executive Officer Incentive Plan (*Incentive Plan*) and the Marriott International, Inc. Executive Officer Individual Performance Plan (*Individual Plan*). The plans are designed to provide executives an incentive to achieve identified annual corporate objectives.

Each February, the Committee approves individual performance objectives for the current fiscal year under each bonus plan. In the following February or March after the release of the fiscal year financial results, the Committee reviews each individual s performance against the stated performance objectives to determine the actual bonus payments. The bonus payments are made as a percentage of salary within a range that corresponds to a threshold (if applicable), target (expressed as *norm*) or maximum level of performance determined to have been achieved for the year. The Committee maintains discretion to increase the actual payout under the bonus plans in the case of significant business disruption or unusual business events (e.g. the events of September 11, 2001), or to decrease payments under the plans. In 2007, discretion was exercised under the Incentive Plan as described below. All of the Committee decisions regarding annual bonuses for Mr. Marriott and Mr. Shaw were subject to Board approval.

Incentive Plan

The Incentive Plan rewards executives for the Company s achievement of pre-established Company financial objectives. The Incentive Plan payout represents 50-60% of the executive s total annual bonus opportunity under the combined Incentive Plan and Individual Plan. In recent years

including 2007, the Incentive Plan has focused entirely on earnings per share (EPS) performance, except that Mr. McCarthy s objectives include a combination of EPS and operating profit from the North American Lodging Operations division (NALO), his primary area of responsibility.

The Company puts heavy emphasis on EPS as a performance measure because EPS is an important indicator of Company profitability and aligns the interests of management with that of shareholders. For this purpose, the Company uses EPS as reported under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (*GAAP*), as may be modified during the goal setting process for items that are not expected to have a direct impact on the business going forward. For 2007, the company established the EPS and NALO Profit goals primarily through an extensive annual budgeting process whereby each hotel and individual corporate unit developed and submitted a budget. The Company consolidated the individual budgets and considered the external market factors such as global and domestic economic forecasts and lodging industry outlook, as well as internal factors such as current revenue from group bookings, expected unit growth for the year, and expected capital needs. The budget was reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors. Considering these factors, the Committee set the EPS goal for 2007 at a level that the Committee believed was achievable but not certain to be met. For 2007, the Incentive Plan s EPS performance goal was \$1.85 excluding synthetic fuel operations. Mr. McCarthy s NALO Operating Profit goal was \$915.7 million.

For 2007, each Named Executive Officer was entitled to receive a bonus based on his achieved level of performance and its corresponding bonus level for the relevant performance goal, as follows:

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	NALO Profit		
Achievement vs. Goal	Achievement vs. Goal	Bonus Award	Payout as % of Norm
Below 85%	Below 85%	No Bonus	0%
85%	85%	Threshold Bonus	25%
95%	97.5%	Norm Bonus	100%
102%	102%	Maximum Bonus	150 to 155%

If the achievement falls between two of the stated performance achievement levels, the bonus payment will be interpolated between the corresponding bonus levels.

For 2007, the Company s EPS as reported under GAAP was \$1.75. However, in determining the Incentive Plan payouts, the Committee adjusted this result to exclude the financial impact of the Company s settlement with the Internal Revenue Service regarding certain Employee Stock Ownership Plan tax deductions taken in earlier years. The Committee determined that this was an appropriate adjustment because the expense associated with the settlement was not planned for in the 2007 budgeting process and because all corresponding prior-year benefits to the Company from the Employee Stock Ownership Plan deductions did not increase the Named Executive Officers annual bonus payments in those years. As adjusted, the Company s EPS was \$1.89, which exceeded the maximum achievement level. Consequently for 2007, each Named Executive Officer received a maximum payout of the EPS portion of the Incentive Plan. The following table reconciles the Company s 2007 reported GAAP EPS to EPS as adjusted (amounts are reported in millions, except per share amounts).

					Exclu	ding ESOP	
	As l	Reported	ESOI	P Impact	Impact		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	\$	697	\$	(54)	\$	751	
Diluted shares		397.3		397.3		397.3	
Earnings per share diluted	\$	1.75	\$	(0.14)	\$	1.89	

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NALO operating profit was \$939.3 million. This amount is the sum of the segment results for North American Full-Service and North American Limited-Service reported in the Company s 2007 Form 10-K. Therefore, Mr. McCarthy received a maximum payout for the NALO profit portion of the Incentive Plan.

Individual Plan

The Individual Plan emphasizes individual executive performance as well as measures of business/operating unit financial performance such as revenue growth relating to newly developed rooms and customer, owner/franchisee and associate satisfaction. The Company believes that these factors are the key to our success within the hospitality and service industry. The Individual Plan payout is either 40% or 50% of the executives total annual bonus opportunity. The weighting of each performance factor varies slightly among the eligible executives by position due to differences in accountability and responsibility. These performance factors reflect subjective assessment by the Committee and, like the EPS goal, are intended to establish high standards consistent with the Company s quality goals which are achievable but not certain to be met. The Committee assesses each individual s achievement of Individual Plan components, and determines a corresponding payout at or in between the threshold, norm or maximum award levels. The Committee s recommendation regarding each Individual Plan component for Mr. Marriott and Mr. Shaw were approved by the Board. The performance components for each Named Executive Officer under the Individual Plan for 2007 were:

• Individual Achievement: Each year the Company sets specific management objectives for the Named Executive Officers. Each Named Executive Officer has a different set of objectives that is aligned to his unique responsibilities and role within the Company. The objectives are developed by Mr. Marriott and members of his executive team, and reviewed, modified as necessary and approved by the Committee (or Board in the cases of Mr. Marriott s and Mr. Shaw s management objectives). The management objectives in some cases are difficult to accomplish and in some cases are among the core duties of the positions. Examples of the types of management objectives are:

Implement a strategy to enter the boutique segment of the lodging industry

Achieve human capital goals

Promote lodging industry interests on public policy issues such as global tourism and immigration reform

The objectives may be modified during the year by the Committee if a change in business circumstances warrants. The objectives are not assigned specific weightings. A maximum payout occurs only if all of the objectives are achieved. A payout at or above norm occurs when a majority of the objectives are achieved; the actual payment is determined by the Committee based on its subjective assessment of the Named Executive Officer s job performance for the year. For each of the five years preceding 2007, the Named Executive Officers received varying award levels above norm but below maximum payout. For 2007, each of Messrs. Marriott, Shaw, Sorenson and McCarthy obtained an above norm but below maximum payout and Mr. Sullivan obtained a maximum payout for the individual achievement portion of the Individual Plan.

 Room Growth: Assessment of room growth was based on the number of rooms developed and the net present value associated with completed development projects. For 2007, the Company established the room growth goal primarily through an extensive annual budgeting process

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whereby a budget was developed and submitted for each geographic region that was identified for potential growth. The Company s Lodging Development Department consolidated the individual budgets and considered external market factors such as global and domestic economic forecasts and lodging industry outlook, as well as miscellaneous internal factors such as existing development resources. The room growth goal for 2007 was 50,000 rooms and \$558 million net present value. Achievement of the goal results in a maximum component bonus payout; achievement of 85% of the goal results in a threshold/norm component bonus payout; and achievement of less than 85% of the goal results in no component bonus payout. For 2007, the Company exceeded the above goals for the number and net present value of rooms developed. Consequently, for 2007 each Named Executive Officer received a maximum payout of the room growth portion of the Individual Plan.

- Owner/Franchisee Satisfaction: Assessment of owner and franchisee overall satisfaction is based on satisfaction survey results compared to the prior year. Each year, the Company retains a third party to survey the owners and franchisees of our North America hotels on various aspects of their relationship with the Company. Annual goals for certain key metrics are established at a level which generally exceeds the prior year s results. However the goals may be lower in some instances such as when prior year results are unusually high and are unlikely to be repeated, or when economic conditions make it highly unlikely to achieve. Public disclosure of the target and results would reveal confidential information about the Company s relationships with its owners and franchisees which would cause competitive or economic harm to the Company. Since Owner/Franchisee satisfaction was first introduced as a component of the Individual Plan in 2003, the Named Executive Officers received a norm payout in two years and a maximum payout in two years. For 2007, each of the Named Executive Officers received a maximum payout for the owner/franchisee satisfaction portion of the Individual Plan.
- Guest Satisfaction: Guest satisfaction is assessed based on Company survey results for the year compared to pre-established goals. The Company retains a third party to conduct the survey. Similar to the owner/franchisee satisfaction objective, the guest satisfaction objective typically is set at a level which exceeds the prior year s results. Disclosure of the target and results would reveal confidential information about the Company s guest satisfaction strategies which would cause competitive or economic harm to the Company. The annual goals are difficult to accomplish and not certain to be met. Over the five years preceding 2007, the Named Executive Officers received an above threshold but below norm payout in two years and an above norm but below maximum payout performance in three years. For 2007, each of the Named Executive Officers received an above threshold but below norm payout for the guest satisfaction portion of the Individual Plan. The target and results for Mr. McCarthy consisted solely of guest satisfaction results from NALO, his primary area of responsibility.
- Human Capital: Human capital is measured by the results of the Company s annual associate opinion survey (conducted by a third party) as compared against survey results for the consumer services industry. As the leader of the Company s largest operations division, Mr. McCarthy has a separately weighted human capital goal. For 2007, the target for a norm payout was to exceed the survey score of the consumer services industry, and the target for a maximum payout was to exceed the survey score of the consumer services industry by 10%. For 2007, Mr. McCarthy received a maximum payout for the human capital portion of the Individual Plan.

 Mr. Marriott and Mr. Shaw have a human capital objective under the Individual Achievement component described above.

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Under the combined Incentive Plan and Individual Plan, the respective weightings of the relevant performance measures and the aggregate target and actual payments for 2007 are displayed in the table below. As reflected in the table, target awards range from 125% of salary for Mr. Marriott to 60% of salary for Mr. McCarthy. The Committee determined the differences in the target award percentages by reviewing market data for each position. The threshold award for each component is equal to 25% of the target award. The maximum award for each component is between 150% and 155% of the target award.

		Incentive Plan			Ir				
N		Earnings	Operating	Individual	Room	Franchisee	Guest	Human	7 7. 4 1
Name	***************************************		Profit-NALO	Achievement			Satisfaction	_	Total
J.W. Marriott, Jr.	Weight of Total Award (%)	60	n/a	20	10	5	5	n/a	100
	Target Award as % of								
	Salary	75	n/a	25	12.5	6.25	6.25	n/a	125
	Actual Payout as % of								
	Salary	114	n/a	37	19	9.5	4.84	n/a	184.34
William J. Shaw	Weight of Total Award (%)	60	n/a	20	10	5	5	n/a	100
	Target Award as % of								
	Salary	54	n/a	18	9	4.5	4.5	n/a	90
	Actual Payout as % of								
	Salary	81	n/a	25	13.5	6.75	3.49	n/a	129.74
James M. Sullivan	Weight of Total Award (%)	50	n/a	15	25	5	5	n/a	100
	Target Award as % of								
	Salary	37.5	n/a	11.25	18.75	3.75	3.75	n/a	75
	Actual Payout as % of								
	Salary	57.5	n/a	17.25	28.75	5.75	2.91	n/a	112.16
Arne M. Sorenson	Weight of Total Award (%)	60	n/a	20	10	5	5	n/a	100
Time ivii gorengon	Target Award as % of	00	17.0			Ţ.		11/11	100
	Salary	45	n/a	15	7.5	3.75	3.75	n/a	75
	Actual Payout as % of	73	11/α	13	7.5	3.13	3.73	11/α	73
	Salary	69	n/a	20	11.5	5.75	2.91	n/a	109.16
Robert J. McCarthy	Weight of Total Award (%)	20	30	20	10	5.75	5	10	109.10
Robert J. McCartily	Target Award as % of	20	30	20	10	3	3	10	100
	•	12	18	12		2	3		(0
	Salary	12	18	12	6	3	3	6	60
	Actual Payout as % of	10	27	17	0	4.7	2.02	0	06.53
	Salary	18	27	17	9	4.5	2.03	9	86.53

The awards potential under the Incentive Plan and Individual Plan for 2007 are reported in dollars in the Grants of Plan-Based Awards for Fiscal 2007 table, below. The actual payments for 2007 (paid in 2008) are reported in the Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation column of the Summary Compensation Table.

Annual and Supplemental Stock Awards

Annual Stock Awards

The Company grants equity compensation awards to eligible executives under the Marriott International, Inc. Stock and Cash Incentive Plan (the *Stock Plan*). For 2007, the Named Executive Officers were permitted to choose to receive the value of their equity awards as all restricted stock units (*RSUs*), all stock settled stock appreciation rights (*SARs*) or an equal mix of both types of awards. RSUs are a promise to deliver shares of Company stock at stated future vesting dates. Similar to options, which the Company offered to Named Executive Officers prior to 2006, SARs deliver the appreciation in Company stock over a period of time from the grant date until they are exercised, but SARs do not require the payment of an exercise price. Both types of awards use fewer shares than options, which was a factor the Committee considered when approving these types of awards starting in 2006. In addition, vesting conditions on the awards and the opportunity for long-term capital appreciation help

the Company achieve its objectives of management retention and linking pay to Company performance. The Committee believes that giving the executives this choice of RSUs and/or SARs provides significant reward potential and flexibility to meet the executives individual financial planning profiles and needs. The Company is able to provide this alternative at no additional expense.

The target values (stated in dollars) for the annual equity awards for each Named Executive Officer for 2007 were:

Name	Target Value(\$)
J.W. Marriott, Jr.	\$ 5,741,900
William J. Shaw	\$ 2,369,500
James M. Sullivan	\$ 1,745,700
Arne M. Sorenson	\$ 1,745,700
Robert J. McCarthy	\$ 1,453,700

These targets were recommended by the Human Resources Department, validated by the compensation consultant and approved by the Committee (with Board approval for Mr. Marriott s and Mr. Shaw s targets). The target values were based in part on the prior year award values as well as the external market data for both long-term incentive and total compensation.

Supplemental Stock Awards

Supplemental stock awards (typically RSUs) tend to be infrequent and are presented for approval at quarterly Board meetings in recognition of special performance, to retain key talent or as a sign-on employment inducement. The Company considers a number of factors when determining supplemental stock grants such as individual performance, the size of competitive long-term awards, key contributions and retention needs. In order to maintain total compensation consistent with the above-described guidelines, the Committee may adjust the components of total compensation in future years to account for current year supplemental awards. Mr. McCarthy received a supplemental stock award of 25,000 RSUs (that vests pro rata over five years) in February 2007 to reflect an expansion of his scope of responsibility as President, North American Lodging Operations and Global Brand Management. None of the other Named Executive Officers received a supplemental stock award in 2007.

Grant Timing and Pricing

The Company grants annual stock awards in February each year on the second business day following the release of its prior fiscal year annual earnings. This timing is designed to avoid the possibility that the Company could grant stock awards prior to the release of material, non-public information which is likely to result in an increase in its stock price, or to delay the grant of stock awards until after the release of material, non-public information that is likely to result in a decrease in the Company stock price.

Executives derive value from their options and stock-settled SARs based on the appreciation in the value of the underlying shares of Company stock. For purposes of measuring this appreciation, the Company sets the exercise or base price as the average of the high and low prices of the Company stock on the NYSE on the date the awards are granted. This average price valuation is common practice and offers no inherent pricing advantage to the executive or the Company.

Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan

In addition to a qualified 401(k) plan, the Company offers senior management the opportunity to defer payment and income taxation of a portion of their salary/commissions, bonus and/or annual cash incentives under the Marriott International, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.

The plan also provides participants the opportunity for long-term capital appreciation by crediting their accounts with notional earnings (or losses) based on the performance of benchmark investment funds selected by participants. The

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Committee believes that offering this plan to executives is critical to achieve the objectives of attracting and retaining talent, particularly because the Company does not offer a defined benefit pension plan. The Company makes a discretionary matching contribution to the Named Executive Officers deferred compensation accounts in February following each fiscal year. The rate of match is determined as an estimate of the matching contributions that the Named Executive Officers would receive in the Company s 401(k) plan but for limitations imposed under the Internal Revenue Code. Throughout the year, the Company accrues for a matching contribution of 75% of deferrals up to 6% of cash compensation. The Committee has discretion to adjust the actual match allocation based on fiscal year financial results but no such adjustment was made for 2007. The Company also may make an additional discretionary contribution to the Named Executive Officers deferred compensation accounts based on subjective factors such as individual performance, key contributions and retention needs.

Other Compensation

The Company offers certain other perquisites and personal benefits to its executives. One benefit is complimentary rooms, food and beverages at Company-owned, operated or franchised hotels and the use of hotel related services such as Marriott-managed golf and spa facilities while on personal travel. These benefits are offered to encourage executive officers to visit and personally evaluate our properties. The value of these benefits is included in the executives wages for tax purposes.

In addition, the executives may participate in Company-wide plans and programs. Some of these benefits are paid for by the executives such as 401(k) plan elective deferrals, vision coverage, long- and short-term disability, group life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance, health care and dependent care spending accounts, retiree medical coverage and tuition reimbursement. Other benefits are paid for or subsidized by the Company such as the 401(k) Company match, certain group medical and dental benefits and business travel accident insurance.

The Company does not have employment agreements or severance plans for its Named Executive Officers. The Committee believes that the combination of the compensation and benefit programs discussed above currently is adequate to attract and retain executive talent, but the Committee continuously monitors the market for development in executive compensation practices to ensure that the Company remains competitive.

Tax Considerations

Internal Revenue Code Section 162(m) limits the Company s federal income tax deduction for compensation in excess of one million dollars paid to Named Executive Officers except for the Chief Financial Officer. However, performance-based compensation can be excluded from the limitation so long as it meets certain requirements. The Committee believes SARs and options satisfy the requirements for exemption under Section 162(m).

For 2007, the annual bonuses and RSUs did not meet the requirements for exemption as performance-based compensation under Section 162(m). However, the Committee believes that the value of preserving the ability to structure compensation programs to meet a variety of corporate objectives, such as workforce planning, customer satisfaction and other non-financial business requirements, justifies the cost of being unable to deduct a portion of the executives compensation.

For 2008, the Committee decided to limit the Named Executive Officers choice of equity awards to all SARs or an equal mix of RSUs and SARs. The Committee made this change for grants beginning in 2008 to lessen the potential tax implications under section 162(m) of the

Internal Revenue Code.

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Executive Compensation Tables and Discussion

Summary Compensation Table

The following Summary Compensation Table shows the compensation we paid in fiscal years 2007 and 2006 to our Chief Executive Officer, our Chief Financial Officer, and to our other three most highly compensated executive officers as of December 28, 2007.

							Change in		
Name and	Fiscal	Salary	Bonus	Stock Awards	Option/Stock Appreciation Right Awards	Non-Equity Incentive Plan Compensation	Pension Value and Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Earnings	All Other Compensation	Total
Principal Position	Year	(\$)(1)	(\$)	(\$)(2)	(\$)(2)	(\$)(1)	(\$)	(\$)(3)	(\$)
J.W. Marriott, Jr.	2007	1,175,500	1	6,161,719	2,279,108	2,166,916	, ,	364,897	12,148,140
Chairman and Chief	2006	1,119,506		6,000,429	3,770,912	1,376,096		329,865	12,596,808
Executive Officer									
William J. Shaw President and Chief	2007	955,000		3,851,855	1,024,156	1,239,018		115,925	7,185,955

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