HELM ROBERT W

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## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. See Instruction Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **HELM ROBERT W** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

[GD]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2010

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify Senior Vice President

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW

(Street)

(First)

PARK DRIVE

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Price

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Code (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Amount

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Common

Stock, \$1.00 par value

05/05/2010

23,870 \$0 A Α 23,870

(D)

D

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 74.97	05/05/2010		A	40,450	<u>(1)</u>	05/04/2015	Common Stock	40,450

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HELM ROBERT W C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Senior Vice President

## **Signatures**

L. Neal Wheeler, by power of attorney 05/07/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Fifty percent become exercisable on 5/5/11 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 5/5/12.

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