NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N

(First) (Middle)

(Last)

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW

PARK DR., SUITE 100

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP

[GD] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount

(1)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Common

(City)

Stock, \$1.00 par value

03/07/2012

A

8,390

(A)

(D)

\$0 89,927

Price

D

Common

Stock. \$1.00 par value

03/07/2012

8,390 Α

\$0

98.317

D

4,348.6705 (3) I

401(k) Plan

Common Stock,

\$1.00 par value

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 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	\$ 71.01	03/07/2012		A	89,720	<u>(4)</u>	03/06/2019	Common Stock	89,720

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DR., SUITE 100 FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Neal Wheeler, by power of attorney 03/09/2012

**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) Represents shares of restricted stock subject to service-based vesting that will be released approximately four years after the grant date.
- Represents a target number of restricted stock units ("RSUs") each of which entitles the Reporting Person to receive one share of General Dynamics common stock. The number of RSUs ultimately earned by the Reporting Person will be determined based on a performance metric tied to return on invested capital during the year of grant, and may range from 0% to 200% of the target amount. Following the performance period, the earned RSUs are subject to an additional three year time-vesting period.

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- (3) Includes share activity under General Dynamics 401(k) plan since date of reporting person's last ownership report.
- (4) Fifty percent become exercisable on 3/7/2013 and the remaining fifty percent become exercisable on 3/7/2014.

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