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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Friendly Ian R

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/22/2008

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

(Street)
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	07/22/2008		M		40,000	A	\$ 37.11
Common Stock	07/22/2008		S		40,000	D	\$ 64.003
Common Stock					376	I	
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					5,503	I	

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- (3) Held in Trust for which the reporting person's spouse is a trustee and the reporting person's spouse and children are beneficiaries.
- (4) Employee option (right to buy) granted by the Compensation Committee of Board of Directors of General Mills, Inc. under shareholder-approved stock option plans.

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