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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 6, 2009

MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

10400 Fernwood Road, Bethesda, Maryland (Address of principal executive offices)

1-13881 (Commission File Number) 52-2055918 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

20817 (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (301) 380-3000

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ITEM 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(e) Compensatory arrangements of certain officers.

On August 6, 2009, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Marriott International, Inc. (the Company) approved an amendment to the Marriott International, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the EDC) that affects executives of the Company who are eligible to participate in the EDC, including its named executive officers. The amendment included the following changes.

For 2009 and subsequent years, the Company may make a new annual discretionary matching contribution on each participant s elective contributions equal to a percentage of the first two percent (2%) of the participant s compensation up to the limit on compensation defined under section 401(a)(17) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code) (\$245,000 for 2009). This new matching contribution is designed to coordinate with a projected reduction of matching contributions beginning with the 2010 plan year under the Marriott International, Inc. Employees Profit Sharing, Retirement and Savings Plan and Trust (the Profit Sharing Plan).

Annual discretionary Company matching contributions for 2009 and subsequent years shall be immediately one-hundred percent (100%) vested upon allocation to the EDC. Prior to amendment, the EDC provided that such contributions vested over a four-year service period.

Annual discretionary Company matching contributions for 2010 and subsequent years may be paid to participants in the form of either post-termination or in-service distribution. Prior to amendment, the EDC provided that such contributions could only be paid to participants following termination of employment.

Beginning December 29, 2009, all existing account balances and future contributions to the EDC shall be credited with hypothetical earnings at an annual rate of interest designated by the Company before the beginning of each year (5.5% in 2010). Previously, hypothetical earnings and losses were credited either with the Company-designated rate of interest if elected by the participant (in 2009), or by reference to certain benchmark investment funds selected by participants under the plan.

These amendments are not intended to, nor under current law expected to, significantly increase the combined total annual company contributions to the EDC and Profit Sharing Plan.

Prior to and after amendment, for any participants whose annual compensation equals or exceeds the section 401(a)(17) compensation limit, the Company also may make an annual discretionary matching contribution equal to a percentage of the first three percent (3%) of the participant s compensation, or, for any participants whose annual compensation exceeds a higher dollar compensation threshold established by the EDC administrator, the Company may make an annual discretionary matching contribution equal to a percentage of the first six percent (6%) of the participant s compensation.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed with this report:

Exhibit 99 - Marriott International, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2009.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: August 6, 2009

By: /s/ Ward R. Cooper Ward R. Cooper Assistant Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. 99 **Description** Marriott International, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan Amended and Restated as of January 1, 2009.

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