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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

 BRINK JOSEPH

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2017

Statement

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC., Â 14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD

(Street)

10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below) VP, Chief Procurement Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

DALLAS. TXÂ 75254

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

SEC 1473 (7-02)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 17,091

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

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

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Conversion or Exercise

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Ownership Form of (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Performance Rights	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	2,410	\$ (1)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Ketationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BRINK JOSEPH C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC. 14800 LANDMARK BOULEVARD DALLAS, TX 75254	Â	Â	VP, Chief Procurement Officer	Â			

Deletionship

Signatures

/s/ Joseph W.
Brink

**Signature of Reporting Person

O8/17/2017

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The performance rights vest on March 6, 2020 upon (i) the Issuer's common stock achieving an average closing market price at or above \$25.00 for the last 20 trading days of the performance period with March 6, 2018 as the last day of the performance period and (ii) the employment of the Reporting Person by the Issuer on March 6, 2020.

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