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GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP Form 8-K January 21, 2004

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) January 21, 2004 (January 21, 2004)

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u> State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-3671 (Commission File Number) 13-1673581 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3190 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, Virginia (Address of principal executive offices)

22042-4523 (Zip Code)

(703) 876-3000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Items 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 21, 2004, General Dynamics announced its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. A copy of the press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Exhibits

99.1 General Dynamics press release dated January 21, 2004, with respect to the company s financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2003.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

by /s/ John W. Schwartz

John W. Schwartz Vice President and Controller (Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting Officer)

Dated: January 21, 2004