GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP Form 8-K August 08, 2011

# 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 8, 2011 (August 3, 2011)

### GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

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of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2941 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 100, Falls Church, Virginia (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (703) 876-3000

22042-4513 (Zip Code)

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

#### Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, If Changed Since Last Report.)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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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

- (b) On August 8, 2011, General Dynamics Corporation issued a press release announcing that Jason W. Aiken, who has been a vice president of the company and the company s controller since April 1, 2010, will become the chief financial officer of the company s Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation subsidiary, effective September 1, 2011.
- (c) The company also announced that on August 3, 2011, the board of directors elected Kimberly A. Kuryea to succeed Mr. Aiken as vice president and controller of the company, effective September 1, 2011. Ms. Kuryea, age 44, has served as chief financial officer of the company s General Dynamics Advanced Information Systems subsidiary since November 2007, and prior to that time served as staff vice president of internal audit for the company from March 2004 to October 2007.

A copy of a press release issued by the company regarding these matters is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and incorporated herein.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 General Dynamics press release dated August 8, 2011.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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.

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION

by /s/ Jason W. Aiken Jason W. Aiken Vice President and Controller

(Authorized Officer and Chief Accounting Officer)

Dated: August 8, 2011