

GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP

Form 8-K

March 18, 2003

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D. C. 20549

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**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) March 18, 2003 (March 17, 2003)

**GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-3671

13-1673581

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation) File  
Number) Identification No.)

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(IRS Employer

3190 Fairview Park Drive, Falls Church, Virginia

22042-4523

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Zip Code)

(703) 876-3000

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code

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Item 5. Other Events

On March 18, 2003, General Dynamics Corporation issued a press release announcing that on March 17, 2003, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit vacated the U.S. Court of Federal Claims judgment in favor of the government in the A-12 case and remanded the case to the trial court for further proceedings. The press release is attached as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c ) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99 Press Release dated  
March 18, 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

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

Dated: March 18, 2003

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