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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors;
Appointment of Principal Officers.

On July 13, 2006, The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company, Inc. received the resignations of Mrs. Helga Haub and Mr. Richard Nolan from the Company's Board of Directors.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

At the Company's Annual Board of Directors meeting, held on July 13, 2006, the Board approved a resolution reducing the number of Directors on the Board to seven, in accordance with Article III, Section 2 of the Company's By-Laws.

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.

Dated: July 17, 2006

THE GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC.

By: /s/ Christian W. E. Haub
Executive Chairman