

Genius Brands International, Inc.  
Form 4  
February 04, 2016

**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HEYWARD ANDREW A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O GENIUS BRANDS  
INTERNATIONAL, INC., 301 N.  
CANON DRIVE, SUITE 305**

(Street)

**BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**Genius Brands International, Inc.  
[GNUS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**02/03/2016**

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below) CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (D)                                                                  | Price                                                             |

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code V                                  | (A) (D)                                                                                                | Date<br>Exercisable Expiration<br>Date                         | Title Amount<br>Number<br>Shares                                    |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 2 <u>(1)</u>                                                       | 02/03/2016                              |                                                             | A                                       | 1,500,000                                                                                              | <u>(2)</u> 02/03/2026                                          | Common<br>Stock 1,500,000                                           |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                                        | Relationships |           |         |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                                       | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HEYWARD ANDREW A<br>C/O GENIUS BRANDS INTERNATIONAL, INC.<br>301 N. CANON DRIVE, SUITE 305<br>BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 | X             | X         | CEO     |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Andrew A.  
Heyward 02/04/2016

  Signature of Reporting  
Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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).
- (1) The stock options have the following exercise prices: \$2.00 for options that vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, \$3.00 for options that vest on the second anniversary of the grant date and \$4.00 for options that vest on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- The stock options shall vest over a three-year period as follows: options to purchase 375,000 shares shall vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, options to purchase 750,000 shares shall vest on the second anniversary of the grant date and options to purchase 375,000 shares shall vest on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (2)

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