

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Merhav (m.n.f.) LTD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP [AMPL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 33 HAVAZELET HASHARON STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/20/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46106

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Stock	09/20/2007		C(1)(2)		4,476,389	A	(1) (2)
					(1) (2)		4,476,389
						D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Convertible Promissory Note	\$ 4.65	09/20/2007		C <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	4,476,389 (1) (2)	02/07/2007 09/20/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	Class A Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Merhav (m.n.f.) LTD 33 HAVAZELET HASHARON STREET HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46106			X	

## Signatures

/s/ Merhav (m.n.f.) Limited By: Yosef A. Maiman, President & CEO

09/24/2007

\_\_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) On November 28, 2006, Merhav (M.N.F.) Ltd. ("Merhav") entered into an agreement with a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer for the sale of a portion of Merhav's interest in East Mediterranean Gas Co. S.A.E., an Egyptian company ("EMG"). The transaction closed on December 21, 2006. The purchase price for the shares of EMG was approximately \$128.3 million, of which, approximately \$68.3 million was paid to Merhav in cash, \$40 million was paid in 8,602,151 shares of the Company's Class A Stock and the balance was paid by a promissory note in the principal amount of \$20 million (the "Convertible Promissory Note"), which, at the option of Merhav, could be paid in cash, additional shares of the Company's Class A Stock (based on a price per share of \$4.65), or a combination thereof. The Convertible Promissory Note bears interest at 6 months LIBOR (5.375%) and matures in one or more partial payments on the earlier of September 20, 2007 or upon demand by Merhav.

(2) On September 20, 2007, Merhav exercised its option to convert the outstanding balance of \$20,815,208 on the Convertible Promissory Note into 4,476,389 shares of Class A Stock of the Company (based on a price per share of \$4.65). Upon exercising its right to conversion, Merhav surrendered to the Company the Convertible Promissory Note.

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