AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

CORP [AMPL]

(Check all applicable)

33 HAVAZELET HASHARON

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2008

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

STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46105

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| 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) | , , , | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 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 | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | | P(1) | 28 | A | \$ 5.16 | 5,051,172 (2) | D | | |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.17 | 5,051,272 (2) | D | | |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.19 | 5,051,372 (2) | D | | |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | | P(1) | 272 | A | \$ 5.22 | 5,051,644 (2) | D | | |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.24 | 5,051,744 (2) | D | | |

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| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.25 | 5,051,844 (2) | D |
|------------------|------------|------|-------|---|------------|---------------|---|
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 1,300 | A | \$ 5.28 | 5,053,144 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 920 | A | \$ 5.29 | 5,054,064 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 600 | A | \$ 5.3 | 5,054,664 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 780 | A | \$ 5.31 | 5,055,444 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 500 | A | \$ 5.32 | 5,055,944 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 120 | A | \$ 5.33 | 5,056,064 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 500 | A | \$ 5.34 | 5,056,564 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 500 | A | \$ 5.35 | 5,057,064 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.38 | 5,057,164 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 810 | A | \$ 5.39 | 5,057,974 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 500 | A | \$ 5.4 | 5,058,474 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.42 | 5,058,574 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 320 | A | \$ 5.47 | 5,058,894 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 600 | A | \$ 5.48 | 5,059,494 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 500 | A | \$ 5.49 | 5,059,994 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 2,280 | A | \$ 5.5 | 5,062,274 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 400 | A | \$ 5.51 | 5,062,674 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 100 | A | \$ 5.52 | 5,062,774 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 300 | A | \$ 5.53 | 5,063,074 (2) | D |
| | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 120 | A | | 5,063,194 (2) | D |

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| Class A Stock | | | | | \$ 5.55 | | |
|------------------|------------|------|-----|---|------------|---------------|---|
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 604 | A | \$ 5.56 | 5,063,798 (2) | D |
| Class A Stock | 08/06/2008 | P(1) | 400 | A | \$ 5.57 | 5,064,198 (2) | 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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------|---|---|
| | | | | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title I | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiauonsinps | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|
| , G | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Merhav (m.n.f.) LTD 33 HAVAZELET HASHARON STREET HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46105 | | X | | | | | |
| MAIMAN YOSEF A 33 HAVAZELET HASHARON STREET HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46105 | X | X | President & CEO | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Merhav (M.N.F.) Limited By: Yosef A. Maiman, President & CEO 08/07/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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/s/ Yosef A. Maiman 08/07/2008

**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) These purchases were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 13, 2008.
 - The reporting person, an Israeli corporation, is 100% owned by Yosef A. Maiman. Mr. Maiman is a director, the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Issuer. In addition to the shares reported herein, Mr. Maiman indirectly owns (i) 18,850,153 shares through De Majorca Holdings Ltd. ("De Majorca"), an Israeli corporation of which 100% of the economic shares and one-fourth of
- (2) the voting shares are owned by Mr. Maiman, and (ii) 9,650,132 shares through Di-Rapallo Holdings Ltd. ("Di-Rapallo"), an Israeli corporation of which 100% of the economic shares and one-fourth of the voting shares are owned by Mr. Maiman. In addition, Mr. Maiman holds an option to acquire the remaining three-fourths of the voting shares of both Di-Rapallo and De Majorca (which are currently owned by Ohad Maiman, Yoav Maiman and Noa Maiman, the son, son and daughter, respectively, of Mr. Maiman).

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 99 - Joint Filer Information.

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