AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Merhav (m.n.f.) LTD

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CORP [AMPL]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

09/20/2007

Symbol

Other (specify Officer (give title below)

33 HAVAZELET HASHARON **STREET**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

(First)

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HERZLIYA, ISRAEL, L3 46106

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 7. Nature of

1. Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Class A

Stock

3. Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Transaction or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

Reported

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code 09/20/2007 C(1)(2)

(D) Amount 4,476,389 (1)(2)

Price 4,476,389 (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)

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

Reporting Owners

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

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).

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.
- On September 20, 2007, Merhav exercised its option to convert the outstanding balance of \$20,815,208 on the Convertible Promissory (2) 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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