

AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP
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FORM 4

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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 *
BIGIO JACK

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)

AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP, 111 ARLOZOROV STREET

(Street)

TEL AVIV, L3 62098

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/28/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 3.5 | 10/28/2004 | A | | 280,000 | | 01/28/2005 ⁽¹⁾ | 10/27/2014 | Class A Stock | 280,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BIGIO JACK AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP 111 ARLOZOROV STREET TEL AVIV, L3 62098 | X | | President & CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Jack Bigio 11/01/2004
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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 options vest in equal installments of 17,500 shares beginning on January 28, 2005 and each three month anniversary thereafter.
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