

ELBIT SYSTEMS LTD
Form 6-K
October 18, 2007

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

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the Month of October 2007

Commission File Number: 000-28998

ELBIT SYSTEMS LTD.

(Translation of Registrant's Name into English)
Advanced Technology Center, P.O.B. 539, Haifa 31053, Israel
(Address of Principal Corporate Offices)

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Form 20-F

Form 40-F

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Yes

No

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Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference is the Registrant's press release dated October 17, 2007.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ELBIT SYSTEMS LTD.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Yaniv Baram
Name: Yaniv Baram
Title: Corporate Secretary

Dated: October 17, 2007

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.	Press Release dated October 17, 2007.

Exhibit 1

**Raanan I. Horowitz Appointed as President and CEO
of Elbit Systems of America**

Haifa, Israel, October 17 - 2007 - Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: ESLT) announced that, effective October 15, 2007, its U.S. subsidiary, Elbit Systems of America, LLC (ESA), a leading provider of high performance defense, homeland security and commercial aviation products and systems, has appointed Raanan I. Horowitz as ESA's President and CEO, as well as a member of ESA's Board of Directors. Mr. Horowitz replaces Joseph A. Parini, who was serving as ESA's interim President and CEO. Mr. Parini will continue in his role as Chairman of the Board of Directors of ESA.

Mr. Horowitz joined the Elbit Group in 1989, and since 1991 he has held senior positions in the Group's U.S. companies. In 2001, Mr. Horowitz was appointed to serve as the Executive Vice President and General Manager of EFW Inc. (EFW), an Elbit Systems of America company. In that position, he has been involved in managing the provision of mission critical systems to various defense platforms and programs for the U.S. armed forces. Prior to that appointment, Mr. Horowitz served in a number of senior management positions in EFW, including Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Vice President of Operations and Vice President of the Ground Systems Business Unit.

Mr. Horowitz is active in a range of industry-wide activities, including serving on the U.S. Army Science Board. He also serves on the Boards of Directors of the Lone Star Chapter of the National Defense Industry Association (NDIA) and the Texas-Israel Chamber of Commerce, and he is a member of the Business Executives for National Defense (BENS) organization.

Mr. Horowitz holds a MBA, a master of science degree in electrical engineering and a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering.

About Elbit Systems of America, LLC

Elbit Systems of America, LLC and its subsidiaries (“ESA”) are leading providers of high performance products and sub-system solutions focusing on the defense, homeland security and commercial aviation markets. With facilities in New Hampshire, Texas, Alabama, Georgia, Virginia and California, ESA is dedicated to supporting those who contribute daily to the protection and safety of the United States. ESA is wholly owned by Elbit Systems Ltd. Additional news and information about ESA is available at www.elbitsystemsofamerica.com.

About Elbit Systems Ltd.

Elbit Systems Ltd. is an international defense electronics company engaged in a wide range of defense-related programs throughout the world. The Elbit Systems Group, which includes the company and its subsidiaries, operates in the areas of aerospace, land and naval systems, command, control, communications, computers, intelligence surveillance and reconnaissance ("C4ISR"), unmanned air vehicle (UAV) systems, advanced electro-optics, electro-optic space systems, EW suites, airborne warning systems, ELINT systems, data links and military communications systems and radios. The Group also focuses on the upgrading of existing military platforms and developing new technologies for defense, homeland security and commercial aviation applications.

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This press release contains forward-looking statements (within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) regarding Elbit Systems Ltd. and/or companies in the Elbit Systems Group, to the extent such statements do not relate to historical or current fact. Forward Looking Statements are based on management’s expectations, estimates, projections and assumptions. Forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. These statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve certain risks and uncertainties, which are difficult to predict. Therefore, actual future results, performance and trends may differ materially from these forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, without limitation: scope and length of customer contracts; governmental regulations and approvals; changes in governmental budgeting priorities; general market, political and economic conditions in the countries in which the Elbit Systems Group operates or sells, including Israel and the United States among others; differences in anticipated and actual program performance, including the ability to perform under long-term fixed-price contracts; and the outcome of legal and/or regulatory proceedings. The factors listed above are not all-inclusive, and further information is contained in Elbit Systems Ltd.’s latest annual report on Form 20-F, which is on file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this release. Elbit Systems does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements.