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OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BIGIO JACK** Issuer Symbol AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL (Check all applicable) CORP [AMPL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL 10/28/2004 President & CEO CORP, 111 ARLOZOROV STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting **TEL AVIV, L3 62098** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Ownership

Following(A)Reported(A)Transaction(s)or(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount |
|-------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transact | iorDerivative | Expiration Date | 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) | | | 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 | | А | 280,000 | 01/28/2005 <u>(1)</u> | 10/27/2014 | Class A Stock | 280,000 |

Reporting Owners

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|
| I B | FB - 0 | | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| BIGIO JACK AMPAL AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP 111 ARLOZOROV STREET TEL AVIV, L3 62098 | | Х | | President & CEO | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Jack Bigio | 11/01/2004 | | | | | | |
| <u>**</u> Signature of | 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) 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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