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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORP [AMPL] Meltzer Erez (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O AMPAL-AMERICAN (Check all applicable) ISRAEL CORPORATION, 10 ABBA EVEN ST. 10% Owner _X_ Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) CEO of Gadot Chemical _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person HERZLIYA. L3Â 46733 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â None. 0 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Security Direct (D)

Exercisable Date Number of Shares (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
coporting of the remaining and the second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Meltzer Erez C/O AMPAL-AMERICAN ISRAEL CORPORATION 10 ABBA EVEN ST. HERZLIYA. L3 46733	ÂΧ	Â	CEO of Gadot Chemical	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Erez Meltzer 11/10/2008

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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