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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the Month of April 2006

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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Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference is the Registrant s press release dated April 26, 2006.

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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/ Ilan Pacholder

Name: Ilan Pacholder Title: Corporate Secretary

Dated: April 27, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

Press release dated April 26, 2006.

EXHIBIT 1

Elbit Systems of America, a US subsidiary of Elbit Systems, Recruits Goff for Government Relations

Haifa, Israel, April 26, 2006 Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: ESLT) announce that its American subsidiary, Elbit Systems of America, a leading provider of high performance defense and commercial aviation products and sub-system solutions, appointed Donald G. Goff as vice president of government relations. Under Goff, the Elbit Systems of America s Washington office will further develop its legislative, regulatory, and end user community activities relating to commercial aviation, homeland security and the Department of Defense.

Today, military and homeland security agents as well as operators of commercial aircraft have technological systems in place that give them better capabilities than ever before. However, they still require tailoring, upgrades, and support to stay aligned with the evolving defense, homeland security, and commercial aviation national interests, said Tim Taylor, president & CEO of Elbit Systems of America. Our nation s decision makers and policy makers will benefit from Don s expertise because he has a solid understanding of the technologies that provide the flexibility, speed, responsiveness, and pre-emption needed to save lives and enhance safety.

Goff comes to Elbit Systems of America from Boeing where he directed legislative affairs in support of aerospace programs for the United States and allied countries. Prior to Boeing, Goff was vice president for government relations for the General Aviation Manufacturers Association (GAMA) where his leadership helped change the small aircraft tort statutes. During his tenure at GAMA, Goff was appointed to the Industry Sector Advisory Committee and counseled the Secretary of Commerce and the United States Trade Representative on a wide range of international and aerospace issues.

An instrument-rated helicopter and airplane pilot, Goff is a West Point graduate with a bachelor of science degree in engineering and a master s degree in education from Duke University.

About Elbit Systems of America

Elbit Systems of America companies are leading providers of high performance products and sub-system solutions focusing on the defense, homeland security, and commercial aviation markets. With facilities in Texas, New Hampshire, Kansas, Alabama, Georgia, Virginia, and California, Elbit of Systems of America is dedicated to supporting those who contribute daily to the defense, safety, and

enrichment of the United States. The Elbit Systems of America group is wholly owned by Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ:ESLT), a global electronics company engaged in a wide range of programs for innovative defense and homeland security applications.

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