ELBIT SYSTEMS LTD Form 6-K May 23, 2012 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 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For the Month of May 2012

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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If "Yes" is marked, indicate 82	below the file I	number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference is the Registrant's press release dated May 22, 2012.

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/ Ronit Zmiri Name: Ronit Zmiri

Title: Corporate Secretary

Dated: May 23, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

1. Press Release dated May 22, 2012

Exhibit 1

Elbit Systems Awarded Approximately \$160 Million Contract to Supply Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) to a European Country

Haifa, Israel, May 22, 2012 – Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ and TASE: ESLT) ("Elbit Systems") announced today that it was awarded an approximately \$160 million contract by a European customer, to supply Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS). The systems will be supplied over the next two years.

Joseph Ackerman, President and CEO of Elbit Systems, noted: "More and more customers worldwide have come to the conclusion that Elbit Systems' UAS are the ultimate solution for their operational needs, following years of extensive operational experience accumulated in service with the Israeli Defense Forces (IDF), as well as additional world leading armed forces for their Air, Land and Special Forces. Technological advancement, a deep understanding of the customer's needs, ongoing development processes that adapt our UAS to the changing requirements of the modern battlefield as well as logistic support, all strengthen Elbit Systems' position as a world leader in this field. We are very proud of this new award, which marks a significant milestone in the chain of our UAS contract awards and we hope that additional customers will follow in selecting our UAS."

About Elbit Systems

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

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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 its subsidiaries (collectively the Company), 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 Company 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. The Company does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements.