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FORM 6-K

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For the Month of December 2017

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ELBIT SYSTEMS LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Advanced Technology Center, P.O.B. 539, Haifa 31053, Israel (Address of principal executive office)

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Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference is the registrant's press release dated December 19, 2017.

This Form 6-K, including all exhibits hereto, is hereby incorporated by reference into all effective registration statements filed by the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933.

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

Date: December 19, 2017

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

1. Press Release dated December 19, 2017

Elbit Systems Awarded Follow-on \$46 Million Contract to Provide DIRCM Systems to NATO

Haifa, Israel, December 19, 2017 – Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ:ESLT and TASE: ESLT) ("Elbit Systems" or the "Company") announced today that it was awarded a follow-on \$46 million contract to supply additional J-MusicTM DIRCM (Direct Infrared Countermeasures) self-protection systems to NATO, for its Airbus A330 Multinational Multi-Role Tanker Transport Fleet ("MMF") Program. The contract will be performed over a four-year period.

Similar to several previous awards from global air forces and other customers, Elbit Systems will equip NATO's Airbus A330 tankers with the J-Music DIRCM systems along with the Company's Infra-Red-based Passive Airborne Warning Systems (PAWS IR).

Colonel Jan der Kinderen, Chairman of the MMF Steering Group, highlighted: "The MMF users are very pleased that the Multi Role Tanker Transport aircraft (MRTTs) are going to be equipped with Elbit Systems' J-Music DIRCM system. This will greatly add to the safety and operational flexibility of the total fleet. It is also great to see how Airbus and Elbit Systems work closely together to integrate the systems."

Peter DOHMEN, General Manager, NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA), said: "NSPA is pleased to award this contract to Elbit Systems and provide important capability for NATO"s A330 tanker fleet, which will allow the aircraft, crew and passengers to operate more safely in hostile environments."

Elad Aharonson, General Manager of Elbit Systems ISTAR Division, commented: "This follow-on contract that extends the supply of J-Music DIRCM and PAWS IR missile warning systems to NATO's MMF program, attests to Elbit Systems' technological and operational competitive advantage in addressing the intensifying threat of shoulder-launched surface-to-air missiles."

About Elbit Systems

Elbit Systems Ltd. is an international high technology company engaged in a wide range of defense, homeland security and commercial 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, advanced electro-optics, electro-optic space systems, EW suites, signal intelligence systems, data links and communications systems, radios and cyber-based systems. The Company also focuses on the upgrading of existing platforms, developing new technologies for defense, homeland security and commercial applications and providing a range of support services, including training and simulation systems.

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