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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 20-F
(Mark One)
REGISTRATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
OR
ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016
OR
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR $15(d)$ OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
OR
SHELL COMPANY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of event requiring this shell company report
For the transition period from to
Commission File Number 001-33129
ALLOT COMMUNICATIONS LTD. (Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)
ISRAEL (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)
22 Hanagar Street Neve Ne'eman Industrial Zone B Hod-Hasharon 4501317

Israel (Address of principal executive offices)
(Name, Telephone, E-mail and/or Facsimile number and Address of Company Contact Person)

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u> <u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>

Ordinary Shares, par value ILS 0.10 per share The NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC

Securities registered or to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Securities for which there is a reporting obligation pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Act: None

Indicate the number of outstanding shares of each of the issuer's classes of capital or common stock as of December 31, 2016: 33,057,719 ordinary shares, ILS 0.10 par value per share

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act

Yes No

If this report is an annual or transition report, indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

Note – Checking the box above will not relieve any registrant required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 from their obligations under those Sections.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer

Indicate by check mark basis of accounting the registrant has used to prepare the financial statements included in this filing:

U.S. GAAP International Financial Reporting Other Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board

If "Other" has been checked in response to the previous question, indicate by check mark which financial statement item the registrant has elected to follow.

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If this is an annual report, indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act):

Yes No

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PRELIMINARY NOTES

Terms

As used herein, and unless the context suggests otherwise, the terms "Allot," "Company," "we," "us" or "ours" refer to Allot Communications Ltd.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

In addition to historical facts, this annual report on Form 20-F contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), Section 21E of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. We have based these forward-looking statements on our current expectations and projections about future events. Forward-looking statements include information concerning our possible or assumed future results of operations, business strategies, financing plans, competitive position, industry environment, potential growth opportunities, potential market opportunities and the effects of competition. Forward-looking statements include all statements that are not historical facts and can be identified by terms such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "seeks," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "plans," "potential," "predictions of the control of the cont

- · statements regarding projections of capital expenditures;
- · statements regarding competitive pressures;
- · statements regarding expected revenue growth;
 - statements regarding the expected growth in demand of our products
- statements regarding trends in mobile networks, including the development of a digital lifestyle, over-the-top applications, the need to manage mobile network traffic and cloud computing, among others;
- statements regarding our ability to develop technologies to meet our customer demands and expand our product and service offerings;
 - statements regarding the acceptance and growth of our value-added services by our customers:
- statements regarding the expected growth in the use of particular broadband applications;
- ·statements as to our ability to meet anticipated cash needs based on our current business plan;
 - statements as to the impact of the rate of inflation and the political and security situation on our business;
 - statements regarding the price and market liquidity of our ordinary shares;
- ·statements as to our ability to retain our current suppliers and subcontractors; and

statements regarding our future performance, sales, gross margins, expenses (including stock-based compensation expenses) and cost of revenues.

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These statements may be found in the sections of this annual report on Form 20-F entitled "ITEM 3: Key Information—Risk Factors," "ITEM 4: Information on Allot," "ITEM 5: Operating and Financial Review and Prospects," "ITEM 10: Additional Information—Taxation—United States Federal Income Taxation—Passive Foreign Investment Company Considerations" and elsewhere in this annual report, including the section of this annual report entitled "ITEM 4: Information on Allot—Business Overview—Industry Background," which contain information obtained from independent industry sources. Actual results could differ materially from those anticipated in these forward-looking statements due to various factors, including all the risks discussed in "ITEM 3: Key Information—Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this annual report.

All forward-looking statements in this annual report reflect our current views about future events and are based on assumptions and are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Many of these factors are beyond our ability to control or predict. You should not put undue reliance on any forward-looking statements. Unless we are required to do so under U.S. federal securities laws or other applicable laws, we do not intend to update or revise any forward-looking statements.

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PART I

ITEM 1: Identity of Directors, Senior Management and Advisers

Not applicable.

ITEM 2: Offer Statistics and Expected Timetable

Not applicable.

ITEM 3: Key Information

A. Selected Financial Data

You should read the following selected consolidated financial data in conjunction with "ITEM 5: Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" and our consolidated financial statements and the related notes included elsewhere in this annual report on Form 20-F. The consolidated statements of operations data for the years ended December 31, 2014, 2015 and 2016 and the consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2015 and 2016 are derived from our audited consolidated financial statements included in "ITEM 18: Financial Statements," which have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. The consolidated statements of operations for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013 and the consolidated balance sheet data as of December 31, 2012, 2013 and 2014 have been derived from our audited consolidated financial statements which are not included in this annual report.

	Year ended December 31,					
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
	(in thousands, except per share and share data)					
Consolidated Statements of Operations:						
Revenues:						
Products	\$77,127	\$66,318	\$77,240	\$62,642	\$54,432	
Services	27,625	30,227	39,946	37,325	35,937	
Total revenues	104,752	96,545	117,186	99,967	90,369	
Cost of revenues(1):						
Products	26,857	20,572	27,389	26,707	20,401	
Services	4,180	6,246	7,350	6,720	7,494	
Expenses related to the settlement of the Israel Innovation						
Authority(2)	15,886	-	-	-	-	
Total cost of revenues	46,923	26,818	34,739	33,427	27,895	
Gross profit	57,829	69,727	82,447	66,540	62,474	
Operating expenses:						
Research and development, gross	24,915	28,073	29,998	27,674	24,827	
Less grant participation	2,855					