Charlesbank Capital Partners Invests $70 Million in Elbit Systems' Subsidiary, Cyberbit

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HAIFA, Israel, May 19, 2020 /PRNewswire/ -- Elbit Systems Ltd. (NASDAQ: ESLT) and (TASE: ESLT) ("Elbit Systems") announced today that Charlesbank Technology Opportunities Fund, a fund managed by Charlesbank Capital Partners ("Charlesbank"), invested approximately $70 million in Elbit Systems' Israeli subsidiary, Cyberbit Ltd. ("Cyberbit"), of which approximately $22 million was invested in Cyberbit and approximately $48 million was paid in consideration of a portion of Elbit Systems' shares in Cyberbit. As a result of the investment and sale of equity holdings, Elbit Systems became a minority shareholder in Cyberbit. Claridge Israel L.P., an existing shareholder of Cyberbit, which invested $30 million in Cyberbit in June 2018, also participated in this round of investment.

Cyberbit is engaged in commercial training systems for cybersecurity teams.

Bezhalel (Butzi) Machlis, President and CEO of Elbit Systems, commented: "Preparing the human element for cyber-attacks is one of the most acute cybersecurity challenges. The investment of Charlesbank in Cyberbit is a recognition of Cyberbit's market-leading position and the growth potential of Cyberbit's training platform – the Cyber Range. I am confident that this investment will allow Cyberbit to realize its full growth potential."

About Cyberbit Ltd.

Cyberbit is a market-leading provider of cyber range platforms for training cybersecurity professionals. Cyberbit Range addresses one of the most acute cybersecurity problems: preparing the human element for attacks. The product delivers a hyper-realistic experience, that replicates a real-world cyberattack by immersing trainees in a virtual SOC, where they use commercial security tools to respond to live, simulated attacks. As a result, it dramatically increases SOC team performance, improves teamwork, and improves evaluation, hiring, and certification processes. The Platform delivers over 100,000 training sessions annually across 5 continents. Customers include leading Fortune 500 companies, MSSPs, system integrators, academies and governments. Cyberbit is headquartered in Israel with offices in the US, Europe, and Asia. For more information visit www.cyberbit.com

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