

MAGAL SECURITY SYSTEMS LTD

Form 6-K

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR
15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of February 2004

MAGAL SECURITY SYSTEMS LTD.
(Name of Registrant)

P.O. Box 70, Industrial Zone, Yahud 56100 Israel
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

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Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Yes No

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This Report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference into the Registrant's Form F-3 Registration Statement File No. 333-9050.

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6-K Items

1. Press Release re Magal Security Systems Ltd. Announces 2003 Fourth Quarter and Year-End Results dated February 10, 2004.

Press Release

Source: Magal Security Systems Ltd.

Magal Security Systems Ltd. Announces 2003 Fourth Quarter and Year-End Results
Tuesday February 10, 12:01 am ET

- 2003 Revenues Increases 38% to a Record of \$59.4 Million -
- Operating Income up 85% from the year 2002 -

YAHUD, Israel, Feb. 10 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Magal Security Systems Ltd. (Nasdaq; TASE: MAGS) today announced its consolidated financial results for the three- and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2003.

The year 2003 was a record year for Magal both in revenues and operating income.

Total revenues for the fourth quarter of 2003 reached US\$17.7 million, operating income reached US\$1.1 million and net income reached US\$529,000, an increase of 32 percent, 142 percent and 47 percent respectively, compared to the fourth quarter of 2002.

The increase in revenues, operating income and net income, in the fourth quarter, compared with the third quarter of 2003, was 15 percent, 37 percent and 5 percent respectively.

Total revenues for the year 2003 reached US\$59.4 million, operating income was US\$4.3 million and net income reached US\$2.4 million, an increase of 38 percent, 85 percent and 27 percent respectively, compared to the year 2002.

Excluding the impact of Smart Interactive Systems, Inc (SIS), the revenues for the year 2003 were US\$58.9 million, operating income was US\$6.2 million and net income was US\$4.3 million.

Research & Development expenses for the year 2003 increased by 53 percent, an increase that was caused mainly due to expediting the R&D of three new products Magal has developed, out of which two were already announced at the beginning of 2004. These were the Fortis Integrated Command and Control System and PipeGuard Pipeline Security System. The third one will be announced shortly.

Selling and G&A expenses for the year 2003 reached US\$16.9 million, an increase of 24% compared to the year 2002.

A major increase of US\$1.2 million was in the financial expenses, compared to the year 2002. This was due to the devaluation of the US dollar against the Canadian Dollar and the Israeli New Shekel, as in both Canada and Israel we have our major operations.

Earnings per share for the fourth quarter reached US\$0.07 per fully diluted share, an increase of 40 percent compared with the same period of last year. For the total year 2003, earnings per share reached US\$0.30 per fully diluted share, an increase of 30 percent compared with the year 2002.

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Commenting on the results, Mr. Jacob Even-Ezra, Chairman of Magal, said: "Based on the backlog of orders we have in hand, as well as the advanced negotiations for new contracts and the new products we have launched, we believe that the growth in revenues and operating income will continue in 2004 as well".

Mr. Even-Ezra added: "Management has decided to cut the expenses of Smart Interactive Systems in order to reach the breakeven point as soon as possible, and not later than the end of 2004".

About Magal Security Systems, Ltd.:

Magal Security Systems Ltd. (Magal) is engaged in the development, manufacturing and marketing of computerized security systems, which automatically detect, locate and identify the nature of unauthorized intrusions. Magal also supplies video monitoring services through Smart Interactive Systems, Inc., a subsidiary established in the U.S. in June 2001. The Company's products are currently used in more than 70 countries worldwide to protect national borders, airports, correctional facilities, nuclear power stations and other sensitive facilities from terrorism, theft and other threats. Israeli-based Magal has subsidiaries in the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Germany, Romania, Mexico and an office in China.

Magal trades under the symbol MAGS in the U.S. on the Nasdaq National Market since 1993 and in Israel on the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange (TASE) since July 2001.

This press release contains forward-looking statements, which are subject to risks and uncertainties. Such statements are based on assumptions and expectations which may not be realized and are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties, many of which cannot be predicted with accuracy and some of which might not even be anticipated. Future events and actual results, financial and otherwise, may differ from the results discussed in the forward-looking statements. A number of these risks and other factors that might cause differences, some of which could be material, along with additional discussion of forward-looking statements, are set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (All numbers except EPS expressed in thousands of US\$)

	Year Ended Dec. 31, Audited			Quarter Ended Dec. 31, Unaudited		
	2003	2002	% growth	2003	2002	% growth
Revenues	59,361	42,966	38 %	17,686	13,362	32 %
Cost of revenues	33,378	23,924	40 %	9,815	7,788	26 %
Gross profit	25,983	19,042	36 %	7,871	5,574	41 %

Operating expenses:

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Research and development, net	4,773	3,128	53 %	1,303	852	53 %
Selling and marketing	11,585	8,642	34 %	4,223	2,619	61 %
General and administrative	5,305	4,938	7 %	1,259	1,655	-24 %
Total operating expenses	21,663	16,708	30 %	6,785	5,126	32 %
Operating income	4,320	2,334	85 %	1,086	448	142 %
Financial income (expenses), net	(1,003)	199		(281)	(81)	
Income before taxes	3,317	2,533	31 %	805	367	119 %
Taxes on income	913	645		276	8	
Net income	2,404	1,888	27 %	529	359	47 %
Basic net earnings per share	0.30	0.24	25 %	0.07	0.05	40 %
Weighted average number of shares outstanding used in Computing basic net earnings per share (in thousands)	7,948	7,866		8,004	7,889	
Diluted net earnings per share	0.30	0.23	30 %	0.07	0.05	40 %
Weighted average number of shares outstanding used in Computing diluted net earnings per share (in thousands)	8,029	8,069		8,079	7,996	

FINANCIAL RATIOS

	Year Ended December 31,		Quarter Ended December 31,	
	2003	2002	2003	2002
Gross Margin	43.8 %	44.3 %	44.5 %	41.7 %

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Research and development, net as a % of Revenues	8.0 %	7.3 %	7.4 %	6.4 %
Selling and Marketing as a % of Revenues	19.5 %	20.1 %	23.9 %	19.6 %
General and administrative as a % of Revenues	8.9 %	11.5 %	7.1 %	12.4 %
Operating Margin	7.3 %	5.4 %	6.1 %	3.4 %
Net income Margin	4.1 %	4.4 %	3.0 %	2.7 %
Total Bank Debt to Total Capitalization	0.47	0.43	0.47	0.43
Current Ratio	1.76	1.86	1.76	1.86

MAGAL SECURITY SYSTEMS LTD.
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(All numbers expressed in thousands of US\$)

	December 31, 2003	December 31, 2002
	Audited	Audited
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,389	2,519
Short-term bank deposits	9,000	3,708
Trade receivables:		
Related parties	29	57
Other	14,856	9,076
Unbilled accounts receivable	5,072	7,691
Other accounts receivable	3,332	2,256
Inventories	11,777	8,251
Deferred income taxes	979	602
Total current assets	49,434	34,160
LONG TERM INVESTMENTS AND TRADE RECEIVABLES:		
Long-term trade receivables	300	1,510
Long-term bank deposits	3,051	8,649
Severance pay fund	1,960	1,724
Total long term investments and trade receivables	5,311	11,883
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	11,505	8,989
OTHER ASSETS, NET	5,193	4,709
Total assets	71,443	59,741
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Short-term bank credit	12,597	9,266
Current maturities of long-term bank loans	3,841	1,091
Trade payables	5,077	4,192
Other payables and accrued expenses	6,518	3,784
Total current liabilities	28,033	18,333
LONG-TERM LOANS	1,873	4,698
ACCRUED SEVERANCE PAY	1,992	1,679
UNREALIZED LOSSES ON FORWARD CONTRACTS	561	--

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SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Share capital	2,683	2,600
Additional paid-in capital	24,098	21,791
Unrealized losses on forward contracts, net	(807)	--
Deferred stock compensation	--	(3)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	1,286	(1,006)
Retained earnings	11,724	11,649
Total shareholders' equity	38,984	35,031
TOTAL LIABILITIES & SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	71,443	59,741

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SIGNATURES

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.

MAGAL SECURITY SYSTEMS LTD.
(Registrant)

By: /s/Jacob Even-Ezra

Jacob Even-Ezra
Chairman of the Board and
Chief Executive Officer

Date: February 10, 2004