

# **ALLOT COMMUNICATIONS LTD.**

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## Form 6-K

# REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of April 2017 Commission File Number: 001-33129

# ALLOT COMMUNICATIONS LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

22 Hanagar Street Neve Ne'eman Industrial Zone B Hod-Hasharon 45240 Israel

(Address of principal executive offices)

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

On or about March 29, 2017, Allot Communications Ltd. (the "Company") first distributed a proxy statement (the "Proxy Statement") and a proxy card relating to its Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on April 27, 2017 (the "Meeting") to all shareholders of record, as of the record date for the Meeting. On April 12, 2017, the Company furnished a supplement (the "Supplement") to the Proxy Statement as Exhibit 99.1 to a Form 6-K furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as of the same date. The Supplement contained an additional agenda item relating to the Meeting proposed by certain shareholders ("Proposing Shareholders"), and the response of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") relating thereto.

Furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 is a joint position statement (the "Position Statement") received by the Company on April 18, 2017 from the Proposing Shareholders, IBIM2 Limited, who holds 467,980 ordinary shares (or approximately 1.4%) of the Company, and Mr. Jose Sancho Garcia and Ms. Maria del Pilar Thomas Rios, who jointly hold 314,382 ordinary shares (or approximately 0.9%) of the Company, relating to the Meeting.

The foregoing shareholders are solely responsible for the content of their Position Statement. The Board rejects any and all assertions in this Position Statement and stands by its recommendations as set forth in the Proxy Statement, and in the Supplement (which includes the Board's statement in opposition to the original Proposing Shareholders' proposal and the Board's recommendation to vote AGAINST such proposal), both of which are available at the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1365767/000117891317000949/0001178913-17-000949-index.htm">https://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1365767/000117891317001114/0001178913-17-001114-index.htm</a>, respectively.

A copy of the Position Statement is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

## **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.

Allot Communications Ltd.

By: /s/ Rael Kolevsohn

Rael Kolevsohn

VP Legal Affairs and General Counsel

April 19, 2017

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Shareholder Position Statement, dated April 18, 2017

### Exhibit 99.1

April 18, 2017

Allot Communications LTD. ("Allot") Hanagar Street 22 Neve Ne'eman Industrial Zone B, Hold Hasharon 4501317 Israel

- By E-Mail and Fax -

Re: Position Paper - Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on April 27, 2017

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is hereby made to the specific 6-K filed by Allot on April 12, 2017 and the documents attached thereto (including a proxy statement supplement) with respect to Allot's Annual Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on April 27, 2017 (the " **General Meeting**").

**Proposals 2, 3, 4, 5, 7** and **8** on the General Meeting's agenda all relate, in whole or in part, to the election and/or remuneration of Mr. Yigal Jacoby (Chairman of Allot) and/or Mr. Erez Antebi (CEO of Allot) and/or other Board Members, which include the proposed granting of restricted stock units and the ability to grant bonuses. **Proposal 10** on the General Meeting's agenda, as appears on the proxy card (which has been added to the agenda following the undersigned's request), relates to the election of Mr. Pedro Vázquez as a Class I Director.

We, the undersigned (beneficial owners of **782,362 ordinary shares of Allot**, as detailed in Annex A attached hereto), hereby propose to vote "AGAINST" Proposals **2**, **3**, **4**, **5**, **7** and **8**, and to vote "FOR" Proposal **10**, all due to the following reasons, which are to the best of our knowledge and belief:

### Our Position to vote "AGAINST" Proposals 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8:

1 - Allot's share is sharply undervalued, in part after posting 2016FY results that were down 9.6% in revenues, accompanied with another profit warning in its 2017 guidance (expecting another 9.3% decline in sales at the midpoint). After the 2016 AGM there were quite a few changes amongst its top level, but we think they have had no effect and everything continues as usual. As such, Allot's shares have been underperforming in relation to its main competitors for years:

Name	Reporting currency	Actual sales per employee	Actual Net Income Per employee	R&D Expenditure to Net Sales	YTD	1Y	2Y	<b>3</b> Y	5Y
ALLOT COMMUNICATIONS	USD	193.360 \$	-38.379 \$	27 %	-2%	-11%	-50%	-69%	-78%
SANDVINE CORP RADWARE LTD	USD	159.700 \$	17.356 \$	19 %	8%	7%	-12%	-4%	95%
	USD	236.943 \$	20.316 \$	26 %	10%	32%	-25%	-12%	-8%

Source: Bloomberg on March 22, 2017

It should be emphasised that Procera, in the same niche as Allot, was sold in June 2015 because their board, foreseeing the negative future of the market, decided that this was the best option.

2 - Board & Management are going nowhere: Allot's core niche, Deep Packet Inspection (DPI), is experiencing a commoditisation due to three main reasons: (a) large telecommunications providers (e.g., Ericsson, Nokia, Huawei and Cisco) are already including DPI's functionalities in their traditional equipment (routers/switches); (b) new regulation limiting service providers' ability to prioritise applications in their networks and (c) today, over 18% of global communications traffic and more than 50% of total internet traffic is encrypted (this percentage is constantly increasing), which renders DPI technology less useful (traffic management systems accounted for 50% of Allot's revenues in 2016). Up to now, in our opinion Allot's Board has not established a valid product strategy. We neither believe the Board has explicitly defined an appropriate GtM strategy and this can be verified through its two-year revenue declines plus a profit warning for 2017. Despite its lack of transparency in some respects, we can intuit important failures in its market approach strategy. Just two examples: their scarce presence in the US (3% of 2016 revenues) and their almost exclusive focus on telco providers, forgetting other verticals (governments, banks...)

Furthermore, the Board barely holds 1.31% of Allot's capital.

- 3 Cash Hoard, Inefficient Capital Allocation: the main goal for the Board has been to sit on Allot's cash pile ( close to 70% of its market cap). Allot should hold an amount of cash necessary to develop a Product & GtM Strategy. Surplus capital not needed in the business, should be distributed as special dividends among its shareholders.
- **4**—The company has historically been unable, disinterested and has shown a lack of knowledge on transmitting to the market the basic elements of management and strategy, a responsibility that relies on the Board and which must be communicated by top executives, through earnings calls and other events. This poor communication between management and the stakeholders provoke mistrust, uncertainty and induce to think of agency issues. It has been causing a value deterioration for shareholders and shows a clear lack of acumen and preparation. This behaviour, evident and uncorrected, has been continuously reflected on the earnings conference calls performed by the previous CEO (Mr. Andrei Elephant), and more recently, by the current CEO (Mr. Erez Antebi).

## Our Position to vote "FOR" Proposal 10:

- 1 The current Board configuration, and the one that could result from the approval of Proposals 4, 7 and 8, will apparently constitute a Board with no dissenting voices, completely aligned with the strategy followed in recent years, and where new options are probably not only rejected, but also not even brought before the Board for assessment.
- 2 Mr. Pedro Vázquez is a member of IPW's Steering Committee (please see below regarding IPW). As such, he acts, *inter-alia*, as a board member in some of IPW's partly owned-companies (e.g., Altitude), and as part of the management in other such companies (e.g., Panda).
- Mr. Vázquez is an economist, and has worked as an external audit manager and earned the CPA designation, in addition to holding positions bearing financial responsibilities in the past.

During the last 18 years, Mr. Vázquez has been CIO (among other functions) in two large Spanish banks and from this position, he has developed the required perception from a user's perspective to provide Allot's Board with a complementary vision.

- 3 IPW is the owner of IBIM2 Limited, a Spanish-based fund specialised in tech investments and is run by ample experienced professionals from the tech management environment. As such, it combines a deep sector knowledge with the financial acumen necessary to operate in equity markets. It has three main business lines:
  - <u>Private equity</u>: non-listed tech investments, with an active presence in Boards of Directors, and depending on the circumstances, in the executive management of the companies. Within these investments, the following are worth mentioning:
    - / Panda Security: has developed and sells an endpoint detection and response (EDR) cyber security solution. It is directly managed by IPW, has a similar size to Allot, its revenue is growing by double digits and it is highly profitable.
    - ./ Altitude Software: has developed and sells a customer engagement software platform based on telecom infrastructure, it is half the size of Allot but with revenue growth and profitability well over its main competitors. Altitude Software is also directly managed by IPW.
  - Active role in listed companies: usually on a friendly approach with the Board of Directors. For example: eFront (146% total return as a result of its takeover) and Readsoft (232% total return as a result of its takeover).
  - <u>Passive role in listed companies</u>: IPW holds a large portfolio (currently 26 companies) in listed tech companies. This business line allows us to keep an updated view of the tech markets and the relative value of the investments depending on the sectors and companies.

Sincerely, IBIM2 LIMITED José Sancho García María del Pilar Thomas Ríos

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