CHECK POINT SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGIES LTD

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FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October, 2004

Commission File Number 0-28584

CHECK POINT SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGIES LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

3A Jabotinsky Street, Ramat-Gan 52520, Israel

(Address of principal executive offices)

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CHECK POINT SOFTWARE ANNOUNCES SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAM

Board of Directors Approves Plan to Acquire up to \$200 Million of Outstanding Common Stock

REDWOOD CITY, Calif.-October 28, 2004 - Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. (Nasdaq: CHKP), the worldwide leader in securing the Internet, today announced that its Board of Directors has authorized the repurchase of up to an additional \$200,000,000 of its outstanding common stock in the open market or through privately negotiated transactions.

Under the repurchase program, share purchases may be made from time to time depending on market conditions, share price, trading volume and other factors. The repurchase program has no time limit and may be suspended from time to time or discontinued. The share repurchases will be funded from available working capital. As of September 30, 2004, Check Point had approximately 258 million shares of common stock outstanding on a fully diluted basis.

Safe Harbor Statement

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking statements. Because such statements deal with future events, they are subject to various risks and uncertainties and actual results could differ materially from Check Point's current expectations. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to: Check Point's ability to integrate Zone Lab's operations effectively, the impact on revenues of economic and political uncertainties and weaknesses in various regions of the world, including the commencement or escalation of hostilities or acts of terrorism; the inclusion of network security functionality in third-party hardware or system software; any unforeseen developmental or technological difficulties with regard to Check Point's products; changes in the competitive landscape, including new competitors or the impact of competitive pricing and products; a shift in demand for products such as Check Point's;

unknown factors affecting third parties with which Check Point has formed business alliances; timely availability and customer acceptance of Check Point's new and existing products, and other factors and risks discussed in Check Point's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2003, which is on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Check Point assumes no obligation to update information concerning its expectations.

About Check Point

Software Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. (www.checkpoint.com) is the worldwide leader in securing the Internet. It is the confirmed market leader of both the worldwide VPN and firewall markets. Through its Next Generation product line, the company delivers a broad range of intelligent Perimeter, Internal and Web security solutions that protect business communications and resources for corporate networks and applications, remote employees, branch offices and partner extranets. The company's Zone Labs (www.zonelabs.com) division is one of the most trusted brands in Internet security, creating award-winning endpoint security solutions that protect millions of PCs from hackers, spyware and data theft. Extending the power of the Check Point solution is its Open Platform for Security (OPSEC), the industry's framework and alliance for integration and interoperability with "best-of-breed" solutions from over 350 leading companies. Check Point solutions are sold, integrated and serviced by a network of more than 2,300 Check Point partners in 92 countries.

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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.

CHECK POINT SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGIES LTD.

By: /s/ Eyal Desheh

Eyal Desheh Chief Financial Officer

November 1, 2004