

Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

HEIDRICK & STRUGGLES INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 36-2681268
(State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. employer
incorporation or organization) identification no.)

233 South Wacker Drive
Suite 4200
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6303

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

2007 HEIDRICK & STRUGGLES GLOBALSHARE PROGRAM

(Full title of the plan)

K. Steven Blake
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
233 South Wacker Drive
Suite 4200
Chicago, Illinois 60606-6303

(Name and address of agent for service)

(312) 496-1200

(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Lauralyn G. Bengel
Schiff Hardin LLP
6600 Sears Tower
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 258-5670

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered -----	Amount to be registered -----	Proposed maximum offering price per share -----	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price -----	Amount of registration fee -----
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	4,403,386	\$ (1)	\$162,260,061 (1)	\$4,983 (1) (2)

(1) Computed on the basis of (i) the exercise prices of 720,966 outstanding stock options under the GlobalShare Program (with exercise prices ranging from \$11.90 - \$48.74) and (ii) \$38.135, the average of the high and low sales prices of the common stock reported on The Nasdaq Stock Market on November 13, 2007 with respect to the 3,682,420 shares issuable pursuant to future awards under the GlobalShare Program, in each case pursuant to Rule 457(h) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act") solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee.

(2) Pursuant to Rule 416 of the 1933 Act, this Registration Statement shall also cover any additional shares of Common Stock which become issuable under the GlobalShare Program pursuant to this

~~Registration Statement by reason of any stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or any other similar transaction effected without the receipt of consideration which results in an increase in the number of the Registrant's outstanding shares of Common Stock.~~

~~PART II~~

~~INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT~~

~~ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.~~

~~The following documents filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are hereby incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement:~~

- ~~(a) The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2006;~~
- ~~(b) The Registrant's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the periods ended March 31, 2007, June 30, 2007 and September 30, 2007;~~
- ~~(c) All other reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 since the end of 2006; and~~
- ~~(d) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in the Form 8-A filed with the Commission on April 21, 1999.~~

~~All documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(e), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing such documents.~~

~~ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.~~

~~Not applicable.~~

~~ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.~~

~~Not applicable.~~

~~ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.~~

~~Section 145 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "Delaware Law") authorizes the Registrant to indemnify its officers and directors, under certain circumstances and subject to certain conditions and limitations as stated therein, against all expenses and liabilities incurred or imposed upon them as a result of actions, suits and proceedings, civil or criminal, brought against them as such officers and directors if they acted in good faith and in a manner they reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interest of the Registrant and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe their conduct was unlawful.~~

~~The Registrant's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides for indemnification of officers and directors of the Registrant to the fullest extent authorized by Section 145 of the Delaware Law. The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation authorizes the Registrant to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee, trustee or agent of the Registrant or its subsidiaries against any liability asserted against or incurred by them in such capacity or arising out of their status as such, whether or not the Registrant would have the power to indemnify such officer, director, employee, trustee or agent against such liability under the provisions of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation.~~

~~The Registrant maintains a directors' and officers' insurance policy which insures the officers and directors of the Registrant from any claim arising out of an alleged wrongful act by such persons in their respective capacities as officers and directors of the Registrant. Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware Law permits corporations to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of a fiduciary duty of care as a director. The Registrant's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation limits a director's liability in accordance with Section 102(b)(7) of Delaware Law.~~

~~ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.~~

~~Not applicable.~~

~~ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.~~

~~The Exhibits filed herewith are set forth on the Exhibit Index filed as part of this Registration Statement.~~

~~The Registrant hereby undertakes:~~

- ~~1. To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
 - ~~(i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;~~
 - ~~(ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement;~~
 - ~~(iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;~~~~

~~PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that paragraphs (1)(i) and (1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement.~~

- ~~2. That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.~~
- ~~3. To remove from registration by means of a post effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.~~

~~The Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.~~

~~Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.~~

~~SIGNATURES~~

~~THE REGISTRANT. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on~~

~~its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, on November 7, 2007.~~

~~HEIDRICK & STRUGGLES
INTERNATIONAL, INC.
(Registrant)~~

~~By: /s/ L. Kevin Kelly~~

~~L. Kevin Kelly
President and Chief
Executive Officer~~

~~Each person whose signature appears below appoints L. Kevin Kelly, Eileen A. Kamerick and K. Steven Blake, or any one of them, as such person's true and lawful attorneys to execute in the name of each such person, and to file, any post-effective amendments to this Registration Statement that any of such attorneys shall deem necessary or advisable to enable the Registrant to comply with the Securities Act of 1933 and any rules, regulations and requirements of the Commission with respect thereto, in connection with this Registration Statement, which amendments may make such changes in such Registration Statement as any of the above named attorneys deems appropriate, and to comply with the undertakings of the Registrant made in connection with this Registration Statement, and each of the undersigned hereby ratifies all that any of said attorneys shall do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.~~

~~Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant in the capacities indicated.~~

~~Signature Title Date~~

~~/s/ L. Kevin Kelly President, Chief Executive Officer and
November 7, 2007
L. Kevin Kelly Director (Principal Executive Officer)~~

~~/s/ Eileen A. Kamerick Executive Vice President, Chief
November 7, 2007
Eileen A. Kamerick Financial Officer and
Chief Administrative
Officer (Principal
Financial and Accounting
Officer)~~

~~/s/ Richard J. Beattie Director November 7, 2007
Richard J. Beattie~~

~~/s/ Antonio Borges Director November 7, 2007
Antonio Borges~~

~~/s/ John A. Fazio Director November 7, 2007
John A. Fazio~~

~~/s/ Jill Kanin Lovers Director November 7, 2007
Jill Kanin Lovers~~

~~/s/ Gary E. Knell Director November 7, 2007
Gary E. Knell~~

~~/s/ Robert E. Knowling, Jr. Director November 7, 2007
Robert E. Knowling, Jr.~~

~~/s/ Gerald R. Roche Director November 7, 2007
Gerald R. Roche~~

~~V. Paul Unruh~~

~~EXHIBIT INDEX~~

~~Exhibit~~

~~Number~~ ~~Description of Exhibit~~

~~5~~ ~~Opinion of Schiff Hardin LLP~~

~~23.1~~ ~~Consent of Schiff Hardin LLP~~
~~(Contained in its Opinion filed as Exhibit 5)~~

~~23.2~~ ~~Consent of KPMG LLP~~

~~24~~ ~~Power of Attorney (contained on signature page)~~

November 16, 2007

~~Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, NE
Washington, DC 20549-1004~~

~~Re: Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.
Registration Statement on Form S-8
Covering the Registration of 4,403,386 Shares of Common Stock~~

~~Ladies and Gentlemen:~~

~~We have acted as counsel to Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Company's filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") with the Securities and Exchange Commission covering the registration of 4,403,386 shares of the Company's common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Stock"), issuable pursuant to the 2007 Heidrick & Struggles GlobalShare Program (the "Plan").~~

~~In that connection, we have examined such documents and have made such factual and legal investigations as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purpose of this opinion.~~

~~Based upon the foregoing, it is our opinion that those shares of Stock covered by the Registration Statement that are issued in accordance with the terms of the Plan will be legally issued, fully paid and non-assessable.~~

~~The foregoing opinion is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, which includes those statutory provisions and all applicable provisions of the Delaware Constitution and the reported judicial decisions interpreting such laws, and we express no opinions with respect to the laws of any other jurisdiction. The opinion expressed in this opinion letter is as of the date of this opinion letter only and as to laws covered hereby only as they are in effect on that date, and we assume no obligation to update or supplement such opinion to reflect any facts or circumstances that may come to our attention after that date or any changes in law that may occur or become effective after that date.~~

~~We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5 to the Registration Statement.~~

~~Very truly yours,~~

~~SCHIFF HARDIN LLP~~

~~By: /s/ Lauralyn G. Bengel~~

~~Lauralyn G. Bengel~~

~~CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM~~

~~The Board of Directors
Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.:~~

~~We consent to the use of our reports dated March 15, 2007, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc. and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the related consolidated statements of operations, stockholders' equity and comprehensive income (loss), and cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2006, and the related financial statement schedule, management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2006, incorporated herein by reference.~~

~~Our report on the financial statements refers to the Company's adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 150, Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans — an amendment of FASB No. 87, 88, 106, and 132(R), and SFAS No. 123 (R), Share Based Payment.~~

~~/s/ KPMG LLP~~

~~Chicago, Illinois
November 16, 2007~~