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Form 8-K October 02, 2006

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 2, 2006

HEIDRICK & STRUGGLES INTERNATIONAL, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 0-25837 36-2681268 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File (IRS Employer of Incorporation) Number) Identification No.)

233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 4200 Chicago, Illinois 60606-6303 (Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(312) 496-1200 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

On October 2, 2006, Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc. (the "Company") completed its previously announced acquisition of the Highland Partners executive search business (the "Business") from Hudson Highland Group, Inc. and certain of its subsidiaries for \$36.6 million in cash paid at closing and up to \$15 million of additional cash consideration contingent upon the performance of the Business in 2007 and 2008. The acquisition was completed pursuant to a Purchase Agreement dated September 18, 2006 by and among Hudson Highland Group, Inc., Highland Partners Co (Canada), Highland Partners (Aust) Pty Ltd and Highland Partners Limited, and the Company, Heidrick & Struggles Canada, Inc. and Heidrick & Struggles Australia Ltd.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company on October 2, 2006 announcing the completion of the acquisition is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

- 2.1 Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 18, 2006, by and among Hudson Highland Group, Inc., Highland Partners Co (Canada), Highland Partners (Aust) Pty Ltd and Highland Partners Limited, and the Company, Heidrick & Struggles Canada, Inc. and Heidrick & Struggles Australia, Ltd. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 of the Company's Form 8-K dated September 18, 2006).
- 99.1 Press release dated October 2, 2006.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

HEIDRICK & STRUGGLES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Date: October 2, 2006 By: /s/ K. Steven Blake

Name: K. Steven Blake Title: Secretary and General

Counsel