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ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN GLOBAL HIGH INCOME FUND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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Date of fiscal year end: March 31, 2008

Date of reporting period: March 31, 2008

ITEM 1. REPORTS TO STOCKHOLDERS.

ANNUAL REPORT

AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund

March 31, 2008

Annual Report

Investment Products Offered

Are Not FDIC Insured May Lose Value Are Not Bank Guaranteed

You may obtain a description of the Fund s proxy voting policies and procedures, and information regarding how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30, without charge. Simply visit AllianceBernstein s web site at www.alliancebernstein.com, or go to the Securities and Exchange Commission s (the Commission) web site at www.sec.gov, or call AllianceBernstein® at (800) 227-4618.

The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Commission for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The Fund s Forms N-Q are available on the Commission s web site at www.sec.gov. The Fund s Forms N-Q may also be reviewed and copied at the Commission s Public Reference Room in Washington, DC; information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling (800) SEC-0330.

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May 27, 2008

Annual Report

This report provides management s discussion of fund performance for AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund (the Fund) for the annual reporting period ended March 31, 2008. The Fund is a closed-end fund that trades under the New York Stock exchange symbol AWF. On April 13, 2007, the Fund acquired all of the assets and assumed all of the liabilities of Alliance World Dollar Government Fund, Inc. in exchange for shares of the Fund.

Investment Objective and Policies

This closed-end fund seeks high current income and, secondarily, capital appreciation. The Fund invests, without limit, in securities denominated in non-U.S. currencies as well as those denominated in the U.S. dollar. The Fund may also invest, without limit, in sovereign debt securities issued by emerging and developed nations and in debt securities of U.S. and non-U.S. corporate issuers. For more information regarding the Fund s risks, please see A Word About Risk on page 3 and Note E Risks Involved in Investing in the Fund of the Notes to Financial Statements on page 39.

Investment Results

The table on page 4 shows the Fund s performance compared to its benchmark, the J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global (JPM EMBI Global).

The Fund underperformed its benchmark for the six- and 12-month periods ended March 31, 2008. All of the Fund s underperformance for the year

was generated in the global flight to quality in the last six months of the annual period. The Fund s U.S. dollar emerging market country allocation, particularly an overweight in Argentina which underperformed detracted from performance for both periods. The Fund s allocation to corporate debt, particularly high yield, also detracted for both periods as a global flight from risk emerged. Contributing positively for both the six- and 12-month periods was the Fund s currency and local debt exposure, particularly in Brazil, Turkey and Peru. Within the Fund s credit allocation, an underweight within the lowest credit quality tier, as well as an underweight in the beleaguered housing industry contributed to performance. The Fund s use of leverage contributed positively as well.

Market Review and Investment Strategy

Fear of the spreading financial crisis and its potential impact on the global economy drove fixed-income yield spreads sharply wider during the annual period ended March 31, 2008. Investor risk aversion significantly increased, leading to a wholesale flight from risk with little regard for geography. In an effort to stem the financial turmoil, the U.S. Federal Reserve (the Fed) moved aggressively during the period to inject liquidity into the financial system and lowered official rates from 5.25% to 2.25% between September 2007 and March 2008.

Central banks in Europe, Canada and Australia have also acted to inject

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liquidity into the market, though they have not matched the Fed s interest-rate cuts, as inflation is a greater concern in many of those regions. The Fed s larger interest-rate cuts also put more pressure on the U.S. dollar, which has fallen significantly against other major currencies in the 12-month period. Despite aggressive central bank action, investor sentiment remained fragile at the end of the period.

During the annual period, government securities fared best in the flight to quality. Global developed government bonds returned 7.69% (hedged to the U.S. dollar), with U.S. Treasuries far outperforming at 12.48%, according to J.P. Morgan. Within the global corporate arena, overall credit metrics remained robust and corporate profitability remained well above average. For the year, global investment-grade corporates returned a weak 1.20%, according to the Merrill Lynch Global Broad Market Corporate Index, as returns were dampened by the credit and financial crisis. In an environment of heightened risk aversion, global high yield corporate debt fared worse, returning -4.40% for the review period, also according to Merrill Lynch.

Overall growth in emerging market countries remained quite strong throughout much of the period, aided by solid commodity prices. Despite the global financial turmoil, emerging market debt prices demonstrated a reasonable level of stability. According to the JPM EMBI Global, U.S. dollar emerging market debt posted a positive return of 4.45% for the year. U.S. dollar emerging market debt spreads

widened 154 basis points during the period to end at 324 basis points over duration-neutral Treasuries. Local emerging market debt (unhedged to the U.S. dollar) performed strongly for the year, returning 16.01% as the U.S. dollar continued to weaken against most foreign currencies. Local debt held within the Fund included Brazil, which returned 25.71%; Turkey, which returned 22.17%; and Peru, which returned 19.64%, all providing very strong returns.

Both the management team s quantitative and fundamental analysis signaled that security-specific opportunities within high-yield debt improved. Consequently, risk was selectively added within the Fund s high-yield allocation, especially where supported by the team s fundamental views. The risk/return profile for high yield looked more attractive after the recent bout of spread widening in the latter half of the annual period. Additionally, the Fund remained highly diversified within its high-yield holdings. The team did, however, remain concerned about the lower-quality segment of the high-yield debt market, where spreads have not widened as much on a risk-adjusted basis.

The team s fundamental and quantitative research led them to maintain Fund holdings in select emerging-market debt. Among the Fund s U.S.-dollar-denominated holdings were Russia, Brazil, Peru, Panama and the Philippines. The team also continued to hold unhedged positions in local-currency-denominated Brazilian, Turkish and Peruvian debt.

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HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

An Important Note About the Value of Historical Performance

The performance shown on the following page represents past performance and does not guarantee future results. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance information shown. All fees and expenses related to the operation of the Fund have been deducted. Performance assumes reinvestment of distributions and does not account for taxes.

AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund Shareholder Information

The Fund s NYSE trading symbol is AWF. Weekly comparative and market price information about the Fund is published each Monday in *The Wall Street Journal*, each Sunday in *The New York Times*, each Saturday in *Barron s* and other newspapers in a table called Closed-End Funds. For additional shareholder information regarding this Fund, please see page 60.

Benchmark Disclosure

The unmanaged J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global (JPM EMBI Global) does not reflect fees and expenses associated with the active management of a fund portfolio. In addition, such index does not reflect the impact of leverage. The JPM EMBI Global tracks total returns for U.S. dollar-denominated debt instruments issued by emerging market sovereign and quasi-sovereign entities, Brady bonds, loans and Eurobonds. An investor cannot invest directly in an index, and its results are not indicative of the performance of any specific investment, including the Fund.

A Word About Risk

The Fund invests primarily in foreign securities which may result in significant fluctuations due to changes in foreign exchange rates and the possibility of substantial volatility due to political and economic uncertainty in foreign countries. The Fund may invest in securities of emerging market nations, which may present market, credit, currency, liquidity, legal, political and other risks different from, or greater than, the risks of investing in developed foreign countries. Fluctuations in the exchange rates between the U.S. dollar and foreign currencies may negatively affect the value of the Fund s investments or reduce the returns of the Fund. Price fluctuation in the Fund s portfolio securities may be caused by changes in the general level of interest rates or changes in bond credit quality ratings. Please note, as interest rates rise, existing bond prices fall and can cause the value of an investment in the Fund to decline. Changes in interest rates have a greater effect on bonds with longer maturities than on those with shorter maturities. At the discretion of the Fund s Adviser, the Fund may invest substantially all of its net assets in bonds that are rated below investment grade (i.e., junk bonds) and up to 50% in securities that are not readily marketable. These high-yield bonds involve a greater risk of default and price volatility than other bonds. Investing in non-investment grade securities presents special risks, including credit risk. Investments in the Fund are not guaranteed because of fluctuation in the net asset value of the underlying fixed-income related investments. Similar to direct bond ownership, bond funds have the same interest rate, inflation and credit risks that are associated with the underlying bonds owned by the Fund. The Fund utilizes leverage, which increases volatility since leverage magnifies both positive and negative performance. The Fund maintains asset coverage of at least 300%. While the Fund invests principally in bonds and other fixed-income securities, in order to

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Historical Performance

HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE

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THE FUND VS. ITS BENCHMARK	Retu	Returns	
PERIODS ENDED MARCH 31, 2008 AllianceBernstein Global High Income Fund (NAV)	6 Months -0.16%	12 Months 2.94%	
J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Index Global	3.29%	4.45%	
The Fund s Market Price per share on March 31, 2008, was \$13.10. The Fund additional Financial Highlights, please see page 44.	l s Net Asset Value price per share on March 31,	2008, was \$13.81. For	

See Historical Performance and Benchmark disclosures on previous page.

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Historical Performance

PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

March 31, 2008

PORTFOLIO STATISTICS

Net Assets (\$bil): \$1.1

* All data are as of March 31, 2008. The Fund s security type and country breakdowns are expressed as a percentage of total investments and may vary over time. Other country weightings represent 1.7% or less in the following countries: Australia, Belgium, Bermuda, Canada, Cayman Islands, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Hungary, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Pakistan, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Supranational, Ukraine, United Kingdom and Uruguay.

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

March 31, 2008

		Principal Amount (000)	U.S. \$ Value
CORPORATE BONDS 44.3%			
Australia 1.2%			
HBOs Treasury			
Series 2006			
8.84%, 4/13/09 ^{(a)(b)}	NZD	15,800	\$ 12,320,234
Belgium 0.1%			
WDAC Subsidiary Corp. 8.375%, 12/01/14 ^{(a)(c)}	US\$	1,550	1 005 000
6.373%, 12/01/14 ^(c) / ^(c)	USĄ	1,550	1,085,000
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Bermuda 0.2% Intelsat Bermuda Ltd.			
11.25%, 6/15/16 ^(a)		1,920	1,946,400
Intelsat Subsidiary Holding Co. Ltd.		1,020	1,040,400
8.625%, 1/15/15 ^(a)		650	654,875
			2,601,275
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Brazil 1.0%			
Banco BMG SA			
9.15%, 1/15/16 ^{(a)(c)}		3,300	3,308,250
Usiminas Commercial Ltd			
7.25%, 1/18/18 ^{(a)(c)}		2,219	2,302,212
Vale Overseas Ltd.		E EE0	E 417 170
6.875%, 11/21/36 ^(a)		5,552	5,417,170
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			11,027,632
Oamada 4.40/			
Canada 1.1% Bombardier, Inc.			
6.30%, 5/01/14(a)(c)		1,655	1,572,250
8.00%, 11/15/14 ^{(a)(c)}		1,050	1,081,500
Cascades, Inc.		,	, ,
7.25%, 2/15/13 ^(a)		1,300	1,147,250
Celestica, Inc.		4 000	4 077 050
7.875%, 7/01/11(a)		1,300	1,277,250
Fairfax Financial Holdings Ltd. 7.75%, 6/15/17 ^(a)		1,250	1,206,250
Nortel Networks Corp.		1,200	1,200,200
6.875%, 9/01/23 ^(a)		1,000	615,000
Nortel Networks Ltd.			
10.75%, 7/15/16 ^(a)		600	548,250
Novelis, Inc.		1 160	1,026,600
7.25%, 2/15/15 ^(a) OPTI Canada, Inc.		1,160	1,020,000
8.25%, 12/15/14 ^(a)		1,200	1,188,000
Quebecor Media, Inc.		,	.,,
7.75%, 3/15/16 ^(a)		1,740	1,587,750
Shaw Communications, Inc.			
7.20%, 12/15/11 ^(a)		200	206,000

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Portfolio of Investments

		Principal Amount (000)	U.S. \$ Value
Cayman Islands 0.2%			
Seagate Technology HDD Holding 6.375%, 10/01/11 ^(a)	US\$	1,600	\$ 1,580,000
El Salvador 0.3% MMG Fiduc (AES El Salv) 6.75%, 2/01/16 ^{(a)(c)}		3,100	3,151,201
France 0.1%			
CIE Generale De Geophysique 7.50%, 5/15/15 ^(a)		580	588,700
Germany 0.2%			
Citigroup (JSC Severstal) 9.25%, 4/19/14 ^{(a)(c)}		2,256	2,401,963
Hong Kong 0.7%			
Chaoda Modern Agriculture 7.75%, 2/08/10 ^{(a)(c)}		3,976	3,777,200
Noble Group Ltd. 6.625%, 3/17/15 ^{(a)(c)}		4,731	4,064,809
			7,842,009
Indonesia 0.1%			
Majapahit Holding BV 7.875%, 6/29/37 ^{(a)(c)}		699	639,585
Ireland 0.2%			
Elan Finance PLC/Elan Finance Corp. 7.75%, 11/15/11 ^(a)		1,500	1,395,000
Red Arrow Intl Leasing PLC 8.375%, 6/30/12 ^(a)	RUB	18,658	803,622
			2,198,622
Jamaica 0.3%			
Digicel Ltd.			
9.25%, 9/01/12 ^{(a)(c)}	US\$	3,416	3,390,380
Japan 0.0%			
Aiful Corp. 6.00%, 12/12/11 ^{(a)(c)}		552	511,953
Kazakhstan 0.5%			
ALB Finance BV 9.25%, 9/25/13 ^{(a)(c)}		2,985	2,417,850
Kazkommerts International BV 8.50%, 4/16/13(a)(c)		3,000	2,639,100
		5,000	
			5,056,950
Luxembourg 0.5%			
Nell AF SARL 8.375%, 8/15/15 ^{(a)(c)}		1,500	1,095,000

Gallery Capital SA		
10.125%, 5/15/13 ^{(a)(c)}	900	729,000
RS Finance (RSB)		
7.50%, 10/07/10 ^{(a)(c)}	3,412	3,078,477
		4,902,477

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Portfolio of Investments

		Principal Amount (000)	U.S. \$ Value
Multinational 0.1%			
MagnaChip Semiconductor SA 8.00%, 12/15/14 ^(a)	US\$	1,300	\$ 741,000
Netherlands 0.2%			
NXP BV/NXP Funding LLC 7.008%, 10/15/13(a)(b)		500	412,500
9.50%, 10/15/15 ^(a)		750	616,875
Sensata Technologies BV			
8.00%, 5/01/14 ^(a)		800	704,000
			1,733,375
Peru 0.6%			
IIRSA Norte Finance Ltd.			
8.75%, 5/30/24 ^{(a)(c)}		2,382	2,717,780
Southern Copper Corp. 7.50%, 7/27/35 ^(a)		3,000	3,076,254
1.30%, 1/21/35%		3,000	3,070,234
			5,794,034
Russia 4.5%			
Alfa Bond Issuance PLC			
8.625%, 12/09/15 ^{(a)(d)} Evraz Group SA		2,360	2,247,758
8.25%, 11/10/15 ^{(a)(c)}		3,933	3,854,340
Gallery Capital SA			
10.125%, 5/15/13 ^{(a)(c)} Gaz Capital SA		1,667	1,360,855
6.212%, 11/22/16 ^{(a)(c)}		814	752,950
6.51%, 3/07/22 ^{(a)(c)}		29,966	26,801,983
Gazstream SA 5.625%, 7/22/13 ^{(a)(c)}		1,382	1,377,198
GPB Eurobond (Gazprombk)		1,002	1,077,100
6.50%, 9/23/15(a)		1,950	1,828,125
RS Finance (RSB) 7.50%, 10/07/10 ^{(a)(c)}		1,933	1,763,089
TNK-BP Finance SA		1,555	1,700,000
7.50%, 7/18/16 ^{(a)(c)}		5,777	5,420,876
VTB Capital SA 6.609%, 10/31/12 ^{(a)(c)}		2,300	2,235,025
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			47,642,199
Singapore 0.2%			
Avago Technologies Finance		050	1 000 050
10.125%, 12/01/13 ^(a) Flextronics International Ltd.		950	1,002,250
6.50%, 5/15/13 ^(a)		1,350	1,289,250
			2,291,500
			.,,,
South Africa 0.1%			
Foodcorp Ltd. 8.875%, 6/15/12 ^{(a)(c)}	EUR	1,000	974,093
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		Principal Amount (000)	U.S. \$ Value
South Korea 0.1%			
C&M Finance Ltd.			
8.10%, 2/01/16 ^{(a)(c)}	US\$	1,405	\$ 1,415,537
United Kingdom 0.3%			
Cadbury Schweppes US Finance LLC			
5.125%, 10/01/13 ^{(a)(c)}		530	509,752
Ineos Group Holdings PLC		550	309,732
8.50%, 2/15/16(a)(c)		2,100	1,632,750
		2,100	1,032,730
Inmarsat Finance PLC		1 000	007 500
7.625%, 6/30/12(a)		1,000	997,500
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC		200	005.070
7.648%, 9/30/31 ^{(a)(d)}		299	285,373
			3,425,375
United States 31.5%			
ACCO Brands Corp.		050	001.050
7.625%, 8/15/15 ^(a)		250	221,250
The AES Corp.		0.000	0.040.750
7.75%, 3/01/14 ^(a)		2,200	2,213,750
8.00%, 10/15/17 ^(a)		800	810,000
Affinia Group, Inc.		4.075	4 407 050
9.00%, 11/30/14 ^(a)		1,375	1,187,656
AK Steel Corp.		4 000	4 044 075
7.75%, 6/15/12 ^(a)		1,300	1,311,375
Algoma Acquisition Corp.		4.400	054 500
9.875%, 6/15/15 ^{(a)(c)}		1,100	951,500
Alion Science and Technology Corp.			
10.25%, 2/01/15 ^(a)		1,300	734,500
Allbritton Communications Co.			
7.75%, 12/15/12 ^(a)		1,450	1,421,000
Allegheny Energy Supply			
8.25%, 4/15/12 ^{(a)(c)}		1,650	1,782,000
Allied Waste North America, Inc.			
6.875%, 6/01/17 ^(a)		1,230	1,205,400
Series B			
7.125%, 5/15/16 ^(a)		350	349,125
7.375%, 4/15/14 ^(a)		1,250	1,229,688
Allison Transmission			
11.00%, 11/01/15 ^{(a)(c)}		2,585	2,248,950
Alltel Corp.			
7.875%, 7/01/32 ^(a)		1,950	1,287,000
AMC Entertainment, Inc.			
11.00%, 2/01/16 ^(a)		1,745	1,633,756
American Media Operations, Inc.			
8.875%, 1/15/11 ^(a)		1,250	825,000
American Real Estate Partners LP			
7.125%, 2/15/13 ^(a)		2,185	1,982,888
American Tower Corp.			
7.00%, 10/15/17 ^{(a)(c)}		685	686,713
7.125%, 10/15/12 ^(a)		1,350	1,380,375

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		Principal Amount (000)	U.S. \$ Value
Amkor Technology, Inc. 9.25%, 6/01/16 ^(a)	US\$	1,995	\$ 1,920,188
AMR Corp. 9.00%, 8/01/12		830	614,200
Aquila, Inc. 14.875%, 7/01/12 ^(a)		1,350	1,663,875
Aramark Corp. 8.50%, 2/01/15 ^(a)		1,625	1,629,063
Arch Western Finance LLC 6.75%, 7/01/13 ^(a)		700	698,250
Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. 8.00%, 3/15/14 ^(a)		1,375	1,196,250
Associated Materials, Inc. 11.25%, 3/01/14 ^{(a)(e)}		1,650	1,126,125
Avis Budget Car Rental 7.75%, 5/15/16 ^(a)		2,000	1,630,000
Bausch & Lomb, Inc. 9.875%, 11/01/15 ^{(a)(c)}		925	941,188
The Bear Stearns Co., Inc. 5.55%, 1/22/17 ^(a)		1,955	1,745,496
Beazer Homes USA, Inc. 6.875%, 7/15/15 ^(a)		1,000	715,000
Berry Plastics Holding Corp. 8.875%, 9/15/14 ^(a)		700	610,750
10.25%, 3/01/16 ^(a) The Bon-Ton Dept Stores, Inc. 10.25%, 3/15/14 ^(a)		800 1,650	616,000 1,101,375
Boston Scientific Corp. 6.00%, 6/15/11 ^(a)		500	487,500
Boyd Gaming Corp. 7.75%, 12/15/12 ^(a)		1,300	1,202,500
Broder Brothers Co. Series B 11.25%, 10/15/10 ^(a)		700	