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Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-Q

# QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act File Number: 811-04058

Registrant Name: The Korea Fund, Inc.

Address of Principal Executive Offices: 4 Embarcadero Center, 30th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Agent for Service: Brian S. Shlissel 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 212-739-3369

Date of Fiscal Year End: June 30, 2008

Date of Reporting Period: September 30, 2007

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments
The Korea Fund, Inc. Schedule of Investments
September 30, 2007 (unaudited)
Shares
Value*
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COMMON STOCK 99.1%
Airlines 1.2%
All lifts 1,2/0
210,406

Korean Air Lines Co., Ltd. (b)
\$14,179,198
Auto Components 2.9%
Auto Components 2.5 %
588,193
Hankook Tire Co., Ltd.
12,016,676
216,756
TT 1'N(1'
Hyundai Mobis
22,941,836
34,958,512
2 1,700,012

358,649
Korea Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. (b)
23,454,587
Chemicals 1.1%
129,609
LG Chem Ltd. (b)
13,571,327

Capital Markets 2.0%

Commercial Banks 3.0%
429,770
Kookmin Bank
35,447,325
Commercial Services & Supplies 1.6%
310,109
S1 Corp.
18,589,434

**Construction & Engineering 7.0%** 

265,628

GS Engineering & Construction Corp.	
45,911,988	
239,800	
Hyundai Development Co.	
22,303,289	
155,077	
Hyundai Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd. (a)(b)	
14,740,762	
82,956,039	
Consumer Finance 6.0%	
336,716	

20,787,209
775,094
Shinhan Financial Group Co., Ltd.
50,197,388
70,984,597
Diversified Consumer Services 1.7%
66,807
MegaStudy Co., Ltd.
20,304,905

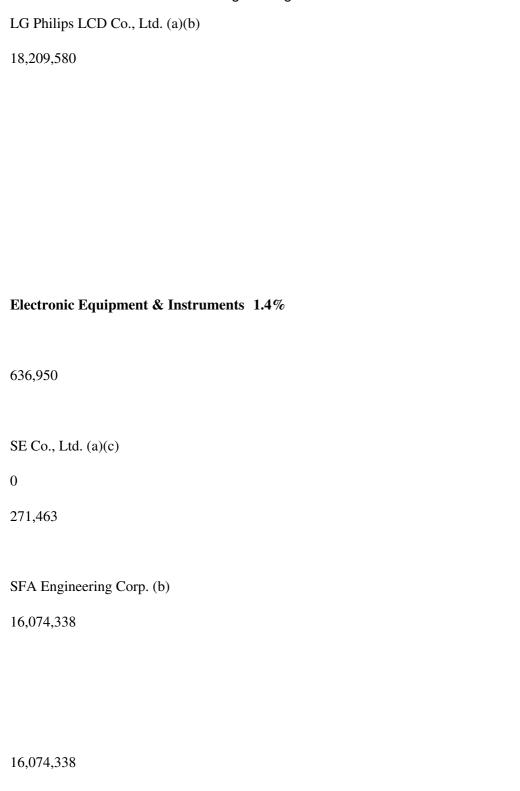
Samsung Card Co., Ltd. (a)

**Diversified Industrials 5.6%** 

**Electrical Equipment 1.5%** 

382,130

413,260		
LG Corp. (b)		
28,358,167		
516,264		
Samsung Corp. (b)		
37,787,374		
66,145,541		



Food	&	<b>Staples</b>	Retailing	3.2%
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54,749

Shinsegae Co., Ltd.

37,997,030

The Korea Fund, Inc. Schedule of Investments
September 30, 2007 (unaudited) (continued)
Shares
Value*
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 1.4%
Hous, restaurants & Leisure 1.7 //
166,306
Hana Tour Service, Inc.

\$16,670,763	

#### Insurance 5.4%

650,220

Korean Reinsurance Co. (b)

9,186,719

257,742

Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.

55,325,688

64,512,407

Internet Software & Services 5.2%
552,013
LG Dacom Corp. (b)
16,686,502
194,064
NHN Corp. (a)
44,685,638
(1.272.140
61,372,140
Machinery 1.0%
109,189

Doosan Heavy Industries and Construction Co., Ltd.

11,478,033
Media 2.1%
52,938
32,730
Cheil Communications, Inc.
15,669,020
1,171,880
1,171,000
ON*Media Corp. (a)
9,065,843

24,734,863

Metals & Mining 10.6%		
298,105		
Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd.		
15,654,216		
152,495		
POSCO		
110,351,663		
126,005,879		
Pharmaceuticals 1.1%		
63,255		
Yuhan Corp. (b)		

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13,426,992	
Retail 0.9%	
93,278	

Hyundai Department Store Co., Ltd.

11,178,101

**Road & Rail 1.8%** 

Korea Express Co., Ltd. (a)

164,755

21,698,780

Semi-conductors 10.9%
155,061
Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. (e)
97,027,634
434,770
Samsung Techwin Co., Ltd.
32,962,141

129,989,775

940,000

359,626

Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering Co., Ltd.		
59,126,844		
185,677		
Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.		
85,407,219		
788,000		
Samsung Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.		
41,632,978		
186,167,041		
Tobacco 2.4%		

28,058,414	
Wireless Telecommunications Services 2.4%	
122,458	
SK Telecom Co., Ltd. (b)	
28,202,209	
Total Common Stock (cost \$509,685,251)	
1,176,367,810	

The Korea Fund, Inc. Schedule of Investments		
September 30, 2007 (unaudited) (continued)		
Principal		
Amount		
(000)		
Value*		
CONVERTIBLE BONDS 0.0%		

Consumer Staples 0.0%	
	WON 2,16
Haitai Confectionery Loan Certificates, zero coupon, 11/28/09 (a)(d)	
(cost \$0)	
\$0	
Shares	
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT 5.7%	
Collateral Invested for Securities on Loan (g) 5.7%	
67,809,418	

BNY Institutional Cash Reserves Fund, 5.438% (cost \$67,809,418)

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67,809,418	

 $\textbf{Total Investments} \; (\text{cost} \;\; \$577,\!494,\!669) \; (\text{f}) \;\; \textbf{104.8\%}$ 

1,244,177,228

Liabilities in excess of other assets (4.8)%

(56,719,527)

Net Assets 100.0%

\$1,187,457,701

#### **Notes to Schedule of Investments:**

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Portfolio securities and other financial instruments for which market quotations are readily available are stated at market value. Portfolio securities and other financial instruments, for which market quotations are not readily available or if a development/event occurs that may significantly impact the value of a security, are fair-valued, in good faith, pursuant to guidelines established by the Board of Directors. The Fund s investments are valued daily using prices supplied by dealer quotations, or by using the last sale price on the exchange that is the primary market for such securities, or the last quoted mean price for those securities for which the over-the-counter market is the primary market or for listed securities in which there were no sales. Short-term securities maturing in 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, if their original term to maturity was 60 days or less, or by amortizing their value on the 61st day prior to maturity, if the original term to maturity exceeded 60 days. The prices used by the Fund to value securities may differ from the value that would be realized if the securities were sold. The Fund s net asset value is normally determined as of the close of regular trading (normally, 4:00 p.m. Eastern time) on the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ) on each day the NYSE is open for business.

The prices of certain equity securities or other financial instruments may be determined at a time prior to the close of regular trading on the NYSE. When fair valuing securities, the Fund may, among other things, consider significant events (which may be considered to include changes in the value of U.S. securities or securities indices) that occur after the close of the relevant market and before the time the Fund s net asset value is calculated. With respect to Korean equity securities, the Fund may fair value securities using modeling tools provided by third-party vendors. The Fund has retained a statistical research service to assist in determining the fair value of Korean equity securities. This service utilizes statistics and programs based on historical performance of markets and other economic data to assist in making fair value estimates. Fair value estimates used by the Fund for Korean equity securities may differ from the value realized from the sale of those securities.

(a)

Non-income producing.

(b)

All or portion of security on loan. Aggregate market value of loaned securities is \$64,776,419; cash collateral of \$67,809,418 was received with which the Fund purchased short-term investments.

(c)

The Fund may purchase securities that are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale (restricted securities). Restricted securities are securities which have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933. The Fund may be unable to sell a restricted security and it may be more difficult to determine a market value for a restricted security. Moreover, if adverse market conditions were to develop during the period between the Fund s decision to sell a restricted security and the point at which the Fund is permitted or able to sell such security, the Fund might obtain a price less favorable than the price that prevailed when it decided to sell. This investment practice, therefore, could have the effect of increasing the Fund s liquidity. The future value of these

securities is uncertain and there may be changes in the estimated value of these securities.

Restricted Security	
Acquisition Date	
Cost	
Value	
% of Net Assets	
SE Co., Ltd.	
12/22/00	
\$1,616,637	
\$0	
0%	
(d) Company in restructuring process, principal only subject to repayment.	

- (e) At September 30, 2007, 8.17% of the Fund s net assets were invested in Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.
- (f) Fair-valued security Securities with an aggregate value of 1,155,580,601, representing 97.32% of net assets, were fair-valued

utilizing modeling tools provided by a third-party vendor.

(g) Security purchased with the cash proceeds from securities on loan.

#### **Glossary:**

WON Korean Won

#### **Item 2. Controls and Procedures**

(a) The registrant s President and Chief Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-2(c) under the Act (17CFR270.30a-3(c)), as amended are effective based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this document.

(b) There were no significant changes in the registrant s internal controls over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3 (d)) under the Act (17 CFR270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant s last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant s internal control over financial reporting.

#### Item 3. Exhibits

(a) Exhibit 99.302 Cert. Certification pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Registrant: The Korea Fund, Inc.

By:

/s/ Robert Goldstein

Robert Goldstein President and Chief Executive Officer Edgar Filing: KOREA FUND INC - Form N-Q

Date: November 26, 2007

By:

/s/ Brian S. Shlissel

Brian S. Shlissel

Treasurer, Principal Financial & Accounting Officer

Date: November 26, 2007

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the date

By:

/s/ Robert Goldstein

Robert Goldstein President and Chief Executive Officer

indicated.

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Date: November 26, 2007		
	By:	
	/s/ Brian S. Shlissel	
	Brian S. Shlissel Treasurer, Principal Financial & Accounting Officer	
Date: November 26, 2007		