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Subject to Completion
Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated October 9, 2007

PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT (To prospectus dated May 23, 2006)

40,000,000 Shares

Annaly Capital Management, Inc.

Common Stock

We are offering 40,000,000 shares of our common stock to be sold in this offering. We expect to receive approximately \$628.8 million in aggregate gross proceeds plus up to approximately \$94.3 million in additional aggregate gross proceeds if the underwriters' overallotment is exercised in full. The last reported sales price of our common stock on October 5, 2007 was \$15.72 per share.

Our common stock is subject to certain restrictions on ownership designed to preserve our qualification as a real estate investment trust for federal income tax purposes. See "Description of Common Stock and Preferred Stock" on page 4 of the accompanying prospectus.

Our common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "NLY."

Investing in our common stock involves risks that are described under the caption "Risk Factors" beginning on page S-9 in the accompanying prospectus, and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2007, and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2007, which are incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus.

	Per Share	Total
Public offering price	\$	\$
Underwriting discount	\$	\$
Proceeds, before expenses, to us	\$	\$

We have granted the underwriters the option to purchase within 30 days from the date of this prospectus supplement up to an additional 6,000,000 shares of common stock at the public offering price per share, less discounts and commissions, to cover overallotments.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities, or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Keefe, Bruyette & Woods

The shares will be ready for delivery on or about	, 2007.		
Merrill Lynch & Co.			
Citi			
Morgan Stanley			
UBS Investment Bank			
Deutsche Bank Se	ecurities		

RBC Capital Markets

The date of this prospectus supplement is , 2007

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized anyone to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are offering to sell, and seeking offers to buy, shares of our common stock only in jurisdictions where offers and sales are permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as information we previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and incorporated by reference, is only accurate as of their respective dates. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

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A WARNING ABOUT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements contained in this prospectus supplement, and certain statements contained in our future filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (or the SEC or the Commission), in our press releases or in our other public or stockholder communications may not be based on historical facts and are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements, which are based on various assumptions (some of which are beyond our control), may be identified by reference to a future period or periods or by the use of forward-looking terminology, such as may, will, believe, expect, anticipate, continue, similar terms or variations on those terms or the negative of those terms. Actual results could differ materially from those set forth in forward-looking statements due to a variety of factors, including, but not limited to:

changes in interest rates;
changes in the yield curve;
changes in prepayment rates;
the availability of mortgage-backed securities for purchase;
the availability of financing;
changes in the market value of our assets;
changes in business conditions and the general economy;
our ability to consummate any contemplated investment opportunities;
risks associated with the investment advisory business of our wholly owned subsidiary, Fixed Income
Discount Advisory Company (or FIDAC), including:

- the removal by FIDAC s clients of assets FIDAC manages;
- the consummation of any transaction contemplated by FIDAC;
- FIDAC s regulatory requirements; and
- competition in the investment advisory business;

changes in government regulations affecting our business; and

our ability to maintain our qualification as a REIT for federal income tax purposes.

For a discussion of the risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ from those contained in the forward-looking statements, please see the risks set forth under the caption Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement, in the accompanying prospectus, and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2007, and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2007, which are incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus. We do not undertake, and specifically disclaim any obligation, to publicly release the result of any revisions which may be made to any forward-looking statements to reflect the occurrence of anticipated or unanticipated events or circumstances after the date of such statements

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PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT SUMMARY

The following summary highlights information contained elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. It may not contain all of the information that is important to you. Before making a decision to invest in our common stock, you should read carefully this entire prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, including the risks set forth under the caption Risk Factors in this prospectus supplement, in the accompanying prospectus, and in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended

December 31, 2006, our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2007, and our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2007, which are incorporated by reference in the accompanying prospectus, and the information set forth under the caption. Where You Can Find More Information on page 31 of the accompanying prospectus, as well as the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. This summary is qualified in its entirety by the more detailed information and financial statements, including the notes thereto, appearing elsewhere or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. All references to we, our and us in this prospectus supplement mean Annaly Capital Management, Inc. and all entities owned or controlled by us except where it is made clear that the term means only the parent company. The term—you refers to a prospective investor. Unless otherwise indicated, the information in this prospectus supplement assumes that the underwriters overallotment option is not exercised.

The Company

We own, manage, and finance a portfolio of investment securities, including mortgage pass-through certificates, collateralized mortgage obligations (or CMOs), agency callable debentures, and other securities representing interests in or obligations backed by pools of mortgage loans. Our principal business objective is to generate net income for distribution to our stockholders from the spread between the interest income on our investment securities and the cost of borrowings to finance our acquisition of investment securities, and from dividends we receive from FIDAC. We are a Maryland corporation that commenced operations on February 18, 1997. We are self-advised and self-managed. FIDAC is a registered investment advisor.

We have financed our purchases of investment securities with the net proceeds of equity offerings and borrowings under repurchase agreements whose interest rates adjust based on changes in short-term market interest rates. We have elected and believe that we are organized and have operated in a manner that qualifies us to be taxed as a real estate investment trust (or REIT) under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (or the Code). If we qualify for taxation as a REIT, we generally will not be subject to federal income tax on our taxable income that is distributed to our stockholders. Therefore, substantially all of our assets, other than FIDAC, our taxable REIT subsidiary, consist of qualified REIT real estate assets (of the type described in Section 856(c)(5)(B) of the Code).

Assets

Under our capital investment policy, at least 75% of our total assets must be comprised of high-quality mortgage-backed securities and short-term investments. High quality securities means securities that (1) are rated within one of the two highest rating categories by at least one of the nationally recognized rating agencies, (2) are unrated but are guaranteed by the United States government or an agency of the United States government, or (3) are unrated but we determine them to be of comparable quality to rated high-quality mortgage-backed securities.

The remainder of our assets, comprising not more than 25% of our total assets, may consist of other qualified REIT real estate assets that are unrated or rated less than high quality, but which are at least investment grade (rated BBB or better by Standard & Poor's Rating Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc. (or S&P) or the equivalent by another nationally recognized rating agency) or, if not rated, we determine them to be of comparable credit quality to an investment which is rated BBB or better. In addition, we may directly or indirectly invest part of this remaining 25% of our assets in other types of securities, including without limitation, unrated debt, equity or derivative securities, to the extent consistent with our REIT qualification requirements.

We may acquire mortgage-backed securities backed by single-family residential mortgage loans as well as securities backed by loans on multi-family, commercial or other real estate-related properties. To date, all of the mortgage-backed securities that we have acquired have been backed by single-family residential mortgage loans.

To date, substantially all of the mortgage-backed securities that we have acquired have been agency mortgage-backed securities that, although not rated, carry an implied AAA rating. Agency mortgage-backed securities are mortgage-backed securities for which a government agency or federally chartered corporation, such as the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (or FHLMC or Freddie Mac), the Federal National Mortgage Association (or FNMA or Fannie Mae), or the Government National Mortgage Association (or GNMA or Ginnie Mae), guarantees payments of principal or interest on the securities. Agency mortgage-backed securities consist of agency pass-through certificates and CMOs issued or guaranteed by an agency. Pass-through certificates provide for a pass-through of the monthly interest and principal payments made by the borrowers on the underlying mortgage loans. CMOs divide a pool of mortgage loans into multiple tranches with different principal and interest payment characteristics.

At June 30, 2007, approximately 19% of our investment securities were adjustable-rate pass-through certificates, approximately 76% of our investment securities were fixed-rate pass-through certificates or CMOs, and approximately 5% of our investment securities were adjustable rate CMOs (or CMO floaters). Our adjustable-rate pass-through certificates are backed by adjustable-rate mortgage loans and have coupon rates which adjust over time, subject to interest rate caps and lag periods, in conjunction with changes in short-term interest rates. Our fixed-rate pass-through certificates are backed by fixed-rate mortgage loans and have coupon rates which do not adjust over time. CMO floaters are tranches of mortgage-backed securities where the interest rate adjusts in conjunction with changes in short-term interest rates. CMO floaters may be backed by fixed-rate mortgage loans or, less often, by adjustable-rate mortgage loans. In this prospectus supplement, except where the context indicates otherwise, we use the term adjustable-rate securities or adjustable-rate investment securities to refer to adjustable-rate pass-through certificates, CMO floaters, and agency debentures. At June 30, 2007, the weighted average yield on our portfolio of earning assets was 5.71% and the weighted average term to next rate adjustment on adjustable rate securities was 32 months.

We may also invest in Federal Home Loan Bank (or FHLB), FHLMC, and FNMA debentures. We intend to continue to invest in adjustable-rate pass-through certificates, fixed-rate mortgage-backed securities, CMO floaters, and agency debentures. Although we have not done so to date, we may also invest on a limited basis in mortgage derivative securities representing the right to receive interest only or a disproportionately large amount of interest. We have not and will not invest in real estate mortgage investment conduit (or REMIC) residuals, other CMO residuals or any mortgage-backed securities, such as fixed income instruments with an interest rate that varies with a short term interest rate index in such a way that the yield is inversely related to the market rate of interest opposite of the floater, that have embedded leverage as part of their structural characteristics.

Borrowings

We attempt to structure our borrowings to have interest rate adjustment indices and interest rate adjustment periods that, on an aggregate basis, correspond generally to the interest rate adjustment indices and periods of our adjustable-rate investment securities. However, periodic rate adjustments on our borrowings are generally more frequent than rate adjustments on our investment securities. At June 30, 2007, the weighted average cost of funds for all of our borrowings was 5.10%, the weighted average original term to maturity was 249 days, and the weighted average term to next rate adjustment of these borrowings was 209 days.

We generally expect to maintain a ratio of debt-to-equity of between 8:1 and 12:1, although the ratio may vary from time to time depending upon market conditions and other factors that our management deems relevant. For purposes of calculating this ratio, our equity is equal to the value of our investment portfolio on a mark-to-market basis, less the book value of our obligations under repurchase agreements and other collateralized borrowings. At June 30, 2007, our ratio of debt-to-equity was 11.2:1.

Hedging

To the extent consistent with our election to qualify as a REIT, we enter into hedging transactions to attempt to protect our investment securities and related borrowings against the effects of major interest rate changes. This hedging would be used to mitigate declines in the market value of our investment securities during periods of increasing or decreasing interest rates and to limit or cap the interest rates on our borrowings. These transactions would be entered into solely for the purpose of hedging interest rate or prepayment risk and not for speculative purposes.

Compliance with REIT and Investment Company Requirements

We constantly monitor our investment securities and the income from these securities and, to the extent we enter into hedging transactions, we monitor income from our hedging transactions as well, so as to ensure at all times that we maintain our qualification as a REIT and our exempt status under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Fixed Income Discount Advisory Company

FIDAC is a registered investment advisor which specializes in managing fixed income securities. FIDAC expanded its line of business in 2006 to include the management of equity securities, initially for us and an affiliated person, and collateralized debt obligations. FIDAC generally receives annual net investment advisory fees of approximately 10 to 20 basis points of the gross assets it manages, assists in managing or supervises. At June 30, 2007, FIDAC had under management approximately \$2.6 billion in net assets and \$15.7 billion in gross assets, compared to \$2.6 billion in net assets and \$14.1 billion in gross assets at June 30, 2006. Net investment advisory and service fees for the quarters ended June 30, 2007 and 2006 totaled \$4.5 million and \$4.4 million, respectively, net of fees paid to third parties pursuant to distribution service agreements for facilitating and promoting distribution of shares or units to FIDAC s clients. Gross assets under management will vary from time to time because of changes in the amount of net assets FIDAC manages as well as changes in the amount of leverage used by the various funds and accounts FIDAC manages. Although net assets under management were approximately equal in June 30, 2006 and June 30, 2007, gross assets under management increased during the same time period, as leverage increased on the assets under management.

Our Business Strategy

Our principal business objective is to generate income for distribution to our stockholders, primarily from the net cash flows on our investment securities. Our net cash flows result primarily from the difference between the interest income on our investment securities and borrowing costs of our repurchase agreements, and from dividends we receive from FIDAC. To achieve our business objective and generate dividend yields, our strategy is:

to purchase mortgage-backed securities, the majority of which we expect to have adjustable interest rates based on changes in short-term market interest rates;

to acquire mortgage-backed securities that we believe:

- we have the necessary expertise to evaluate and manage;
- we can readily finance;
- are consistent with our balance sheet guidelines and risk management objectives; and
- provide attractive investment returns in a range of scenarios;

to finance purchases of mortgage-backed securities with the proceeds of equity offerings and, to the extent permitted by our capital investment policy, to utilize leverage to increase potential returns to stockholders through borrowings;

to attempt to structure our borrowings to have interest rate adjustment indices and interest rate adjustment periods that, on an aggregate basis, generally correspond to the interest rate adjustment indices and interest rate adjustment periods of our adjustable-rate mortgage-backed securities; to seek to minimize prepayment risk by structuring a diversified portfolio with a variety of prepayment characteristics and through other means; and

to issue new equity or debt and increase the size of our balance sheet when opportunities in the market for mortgage-backed securities are likely to allow growth in earnings per share.

We believe we are able to obtain cost efficiencies through our facilities-sharing arrangement with FIDAC and by virtue of our management s experience in managing portfolios of mortgage-backed securities and arranging collateralized borrowings. We will strive to become even more cost-efficient over time by:

seeking to raise additional capital from time to time in order to increase our ability to invest in mortgage-backed securities;

striving to lower our effective borrowing costs over time by seeking direct funding with collateralized lenders, rather than using financial intermediaries, and investigating the possibility of using commercial paper and medium term note programs;

improving the efficiency of our balance sheet structure by investigating the issuance of uncollateralized subordinated debt, preferred stock and other forms of capital; and utilizing information technology in our business, including improving our ability to monitor the performance of our investment securities and to lower our operating costs.

Recent Developments

Public Offering

On July 18, 2007, we sold 54,050,000 shares of common stock in an underwritten public offering. We received net proceeds, after expenses, of approximately \$720.5 million, which were used to purchase mortgage-backed securities and for general corporate purposes, including additional investments.

Dividend Declarations

On September 19, 2007, we declared our third quarter 2007 common stock dividend of \$0.26 per share for distribution to stockholders of record on October 1, 2007. This dividend will be paid on October 29, 2007.

On August 14, 2007, we declared our third quarter 2007 7.875% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock (or Series A Preferred Stock) dividend of \$0.492188 per share for distribution to stockholders of record on September 3, 2007. This dividend was paid on October 1, 2007.

On August 14, 2007, we declared our second quarter 2007 6% Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (or Series B Preferred Stock) dividend of \$0.375 per share for distribution to stockholders of record on September 3, 2007. This dividend was paid on October 1, 2007.

Chimera Investment Corporation

Chimera Investment Corporation, or Chimera, has filed a registration statement on Form S-11 with the Securities and Exchange Commission for an initial public offering of the common stock of Chimera. Chimera is a newly-formed specialty finance company that will invest in residential mortgage loans, residential mortgage-backed securities, real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. Chimera will be externally managed by FIDAC. Concurrent with the public offering pursuant to Chimera s registration statement, Annaly expects to

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acquire 9.8% of Chimera s outstanding shares of common stock at the initial public offering price after giving effect to the shares issued in the offering, excluding shares sold pursuant to the underwriters exercise of their overallotment option. Chimera intends to elect and qualify to be taxed as a REIT for federal income tax purposes. We can offer no assurances that the Chimera transaction will take place or if it will take place in the manner described.

Corporate Information

Our principal executive offices are located at 1211 Avenue of Americas, Suite 2902, New York, New York 10036. Our telephone number is (212) 696-0100. Our website is http://www.annaly.com. The contents of our website are not a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Our shares of common stock are traded on the New York Stock Exchange (or NYSE) under the symbol NLY.

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Summary Financial Information

The summary financial information set forth below is derived from our audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003 and 2002 and our unaudited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal quarters ended June 30, 2007 and 2006. Our consolidated financial statements include, for the periods following June 4, 2004, the investment advisory business that we acquired from the stockholders of FIDAC on June 4, 2004. The following selected financial information should be read in conjunction with our more detailed information contained in the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006, in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2007, and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2007, which are incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus and Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006 and in our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2007, which are incorporated by reference into the accompanying prospectus.

In addition to our Series A Preferred Stock, which is equity, for the purpose of computing ratios relating to equity measures presented in the summary financial information below, equity includes our Series B Preferred Stock, which under GAAP has been treated as temporary equity.

	For the six months ended June 30, For the years ended December 31,							
	2007	2006	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	
	(dollars in thousands, except per share amounts)							
Statement of Operations								
Data								
Interest income	\$1,005,826	\$475,053	\$1,221,882	\$705,046	\$532,328	\$337,433	\$404,165	
Interest expense	848,912	409,985	1,055,013	568,560	270,116	182,004	191,758	
Net interest income	156,914	65,068	166,869	136,486	262,212	155,429	212,407	
Other income (loss):								
Investment advisory and								
service fees	10,928							