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#### 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.

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

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

Date of Fiscal Year End: June 30, 2008

Date of Reporting Period: March 31, 2008

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#### Item 1. Schedule of Investments

#### The Korea Fund, Inc. Schedule of Investments

March 31, 2008 (unaudited)

Shares

Value\*

COMMON STOCK 95.5%

Capital Markets 1.5%

225,692

Korea Investment Holdings Co., Ltd. (a)

\$10,648,058

Chemicals 2.4%

35,918

KCC Corp. (a)

16,659,756

Commercial Banks 10.9%

263,990

Hana Financial Group, Inc.

	10,820,162
205,061	
Kookmin Bank	
	11,509,561
1,470,340	
1,470,540	
Korea Exchange Bank	
	10 655 200
	19,655,300
674,181	
Shinhan Financial Group Co., Ltd.	

35,616,268

77,601,291

Commercial Services & Supplies 1.7%

224,668

S1 Corp.

11,681,914

Construction & Engineering 10.1%

146,829

GS Engineering & Construction Corp.

21,667,769

351,076

Hyundai Development Co.

24,138,999

299,020

Hyundai Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd. (a)

26,056,943

71,863,711

Consumer Finance 2.3%

342,426

Samsung Card Co., Ltd.

16,229,361

Diversified Consumer Services 1.1%

22,292

MegaStudy Co., Ltd.

7,435,067

**Diversified Industrials 2.0%** 

191,635

LG Corp.

14,476,882

Electrical Equipment 1.8%

284,371

LG.Philips LCD Co., Ltd. (a)

12,697,905

Electronic Equipment & Instruments 1.9%

202,404

SFA Engineering Corp.

13,408,637

Food & Staples Retailing 3.1%

34,680

Shinsegae Co., Ltd.

21,902,578

Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 1.1%

157,313

Hana Tour Service, Inc. (a)

7,990,880

Insurance 2.0%

69,805

Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance Co., Ltd.

14,471,761

Internet Software & Services 4.2%

523,783

LG Dacom Corp.

85,496

9,923,789

NHN Corp. (b)

20,076,738

30,000,527

Doosan Heavy Industries and Construction Co., Ltd. (a)

**Media 2.2%** 

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Machinery 1.7%

87,704

Shares

Value\*

\$11,832,966

Cheil Communications, Inc.

12,103,027

1,024,140

ON\*Media Corp. (a)(b)

3,837,810

15,940,837

Metals & Mining 7.7%

263,105

Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd.

93,282

POSCO

44,653,890

10,329,530

54,983,420

Oil & Gas 1.6%

110,190

SK Energy Co., Ltd.

11,407,310

#### Pharmaceuticals 2.2%

84,414

Yuhan Corp. (a)

15,877,126

Road & Rail 2.0%

127,604

Korea Express Co., Ltd. (b)

14,322,805

#### Semi-conductors 12.5%

513,930

Hynix Semiconductor, Inc. (a)(b)

14,491,900

66,207,295

104,700

Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.

150,240

Samsung Techwin Co., Ltd. (a)

8,215,590

### Shipbuilding 7.8%

438,453

Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering Co., Ltd.

102,531

Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., Ltd. (a)

38,579,291

16,838,945

55,418,236

**Tobacco 3.8%** 

343,794

KT&G Corp.

27,002,160

Wholesale 6.0%

525,230

Daewoo International Corp.

338,869

Samsung Corp.

19,027,293

23,830,134

42,857,427

Wireless Telecommunications Services 1.9%

70,612

SK Telecom Co., Ltd.

13,366,499

Total Common Stock (cost \$424,137,832)

678,991,899

#### SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT 11.5%

Collateral Invested for Securities on Loan (c) 11.5%

82,160,747

BNY Institutional Cash Reserves Fund, 2.90% (cost \$82,160,747)

82,160,747

Total Investments (cost \$506,298,579) (d) 107.0%

761,152,646

Liabilities in excess of other assets (7.0)%

(49,974,351)

Net Assets 100.0%

\$711,178,295

#### Notes to Schedule of Investments:

\*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 or persons acting at their discretion pursuant to guidelines established by the Board of Directors. The Fund s investments are valued daily and the net asset value ( NAV ) is calculated 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 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. With respect to Korean equity securities, the Fund fair values its securities daily using modeling tools provided by a statistical research service. This service utilizes statistics and programs based on historical performance of markets and other economic data (which may include changes in the value of U.S. securities or security indices). Fair value estimates used by the Fund for Korean equity securities may differ from the value realized from the sale of those securities. 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.

(a) All or portion of security on loan with an aggregate market value of \$77,789,153; cash collateral of \$82,160,747 was received with which the Fund purchased short-term investments.

- (b) Non-income producing.
- (c) Security purchased with the cash proceeds from securities on loan.

(d) Securities with an aggregate value of \$678,991,899, representing 95.5% of net assets, were valued utilizing modeling tools provided by a third-party vendor.

#### **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

Date: May 27, 2008

By:/s/ Brian S. Shlissel Brian S. Shlissel Treasurer, Principal Financial & Accounting Officer

Date: May 27, 2008

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 dated indicated.

By:/s/ Robert Goldstein Robert Goldstein President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 27, 2008

By:/s/ Brian S. Shlissel Brian S. Shlissel Treasurer, Principal Financial & Accounting Officer

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