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### QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

**Investment Company Act file number: 811-05749** 

### THE CHINA FUND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) c/o STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 2 AVENUE DE LAFAYETTE P.O. BOX 5049 BOSTON, MA 02206-5049

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Date of fiscal year end: October 31

Date of reporting period: January 31, 2009

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### **Item 1. Schedule of Investments.**

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## THE CHINA FUND, INC. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS January 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

Name of Issuer and Title of Issue COMMON STOCK AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS	Shares	Value (Note A)
HONG KONG		
Consumer Discretionary (7.7%)		
Anta Sports Products, Ltd.	11,072,000	\$ 5,125,794
China Travel International Investment Hong Kong, Ltd.	6,024,000	932,195
FU JI Food & Catering Services	8,689,000	4,011,377
Huabao International Holdings, Ltd.	5,500,000	3,546,282
Intime Department Store Group Co., Ltd. #	12,568,629	3,484,713
Ports Design, Ltd.	3,933,500	4,012,326
Shangri-La Asia, Ltd.	4,755,555	5,611,292
Yorkey Optical International Cayman, Ltd. #	16,424,000	1,821,453
		28,545,432
Consumer Staples (8.6%)		
Chaoda Modern Agriculture (Holdings), Ltd.	21,459,357	13,725,842
China Huiyuan Juice Group, Ltd.	14,059,500	18,420,617
		32,146,459
Energy (1.6%)	0.444.000	007.010
China Rare Earth Holdings, Ltd.	9,144,000	837,212
Fushan International Energy Group, Ltd. *	10,740,000	2,465,272
Honghua Group, Ltd.	21,902,000	2,626,681
		5,929,165
Financials (0.3%)		
SPG Land (Holdings), Ltd.	11,037,000	1,266,723
Health Care (3.8%)		
China Shineway Pharmaceutical Group, Ltd. #	11,184,000	6,317,014
Golden Meditech Co., Ltd. * #	35,040,000	3,208,212
Natural Beauty Bio-Technology, Ltd. #	32,780,000	4,818,972
		14,344,198
Industrials (0.8%)		
TPV Technology, Ltd.	12,728,000	2,888,773
Information Technology (1.2%)		
Chinasoft International, Ltd. #	19,230,000	1,140,717
Sina Corp. *	162,700	3,328,842

4,469,559

Materials (1.1%)

Sinofert Hong Kong Holdings, Ltd. 7,216,000 4,150,228

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THE CHINA FUND, INC. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (continued) January 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

Name of Issuer and Title of Issue COMMON STOCK AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (continued) HONG KONG (continued)	Shares	Value (Note A)
Utilities (1.4%) Xinao Gas Holdings, Ltd. #	5,680,000	\$ 5,127,279
<b>TOTAL HONG KONG</b> (Cost \$114,144,012)	26.5%	98,867,816
HONG KONG H SHARES Consumer Staples (2.9%) Wumart Stores, Inc. #	15,126,000	10,689,201
Energy (1.4%) China Oilfield Services, Ltd.	6,388,000	5,132,082
Health Care (4.1%) Shandong Weigao Group Medical Polymer Co., Ltd. #	9,004,000	15,442,860
Industrials (%) Sichuan Expressway Co., Ltd. *	742,000	124,391
Materials (1.5%) Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.	10,408,000	5,596,853
<b>Telecommunications</b> (0.9%) ZTE Corp.	1,124,559	3,255,661
TOTAL HONG KONG H SHARES (Cost \$40,136,551)	10.8%	40,241,048
TOTAL HONG KONG (INCLUDING H SHARES) (Cost \$154,280,563)	37.3%	139,108,864
SINGAPORE Consumer Staples (3.3%)		
China Fishery Group, Ltd. #	12,050,000	4,506,537
China Milk Products Group, Ltd. # Hsu Fu Chi International, Ltd. #	11,607,000 9,484,000	2,919,517 4,943,670
2.50. 2 W C.M. 2.100.1.111.	2,101,000	12,369,724
Financials (0.6%)		
Financial One Corp. #	12,030,000	2,229,621
Information Technology (0.4%)		

CDW Holding, Ltd. # (1)		59,708,000	1,679,689
Materials (0.4%) China Energy, Ltd. *		12,199,000	1,332,341
	See Notes to Schedule of Investments		

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Name of Issuer and Title of Issue COMMON STOCK AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (continued)	Shares	Value (Note A)
TOTAL SINGAPORE (Cost \$31,295,091)	4.7%	17,611,375
TAIWAN		
Consumer Discretionary (6.1%)	2 777 (52	Ф 5.477.205
FamilyMart Co., Ltd. #	3,777,652	\$ 5,477,385
Far Eastern Department Stores, Ltd.	18,511,584	8,322,290
Merry Electronics Co., Ltd. Synnex Technology International Corp.	3,584,340 5,937,855	2,486,494 6,620,697
Symmex Technology International Corp.	3,937,633	0,020,097
		22,906,866
Consumer Staples (3.3%)		
Lien Hwa Industrial Corp. #	15,919,692	5,355,936
Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	8,728,581	6,769,767
		12,125,703
Financials (5.8%)		
Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	5,993,788	5,737,262
Ruentex Development Co., Ltd.	12,694,000	6,311,568
Yuanta Financial Holdings Co., Ltd.	26,635,545	9,674,839
		21,723,669
Industrials (0.7%)		
Wah Lee Industrial Corp. #	4,118,821	2,434,197
Information Technology (2.6%)		
Cyberlink Corp. #	1,183,000	3,909,579
Taiwan Secom Co., Ltd. #	4,738,000	5,945,864
		9,855,443
Materials (1.1%)		
China Metal Products Co., Ltd. #	9,019,881	4,202,788
<b>TOTAL TAIWAN</b> (Cost \$96,660,863)	19.6%	73,248,666
	27.070	. 2,2 10,000
UNITED KINGDOM Health Care (1.7%)		
China Medical System Holdings, Ltd. #	3,623,188	6,398,624

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**TOTAL UNITED KINGDOM** (Cost \$9,940,990)

1.7%

6,398,624

**UNITED STATES** 

**Consumer Discretionary** (1.5%)

The9, Ltd., ADR #

356,200

5,385,744

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## THE CHINA FUND, INC. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (continued) January 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

Name of Issuer and Title of Issue COMMON STOCK AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (continued) UNITED STATES (continued) Energy (0.5%)	Shares	Value (Note A)
Far East Energy Corp. * #	10,478,634	\$ 2,011,898
Health Care (1.5%) Mindray Medical International, Ltd., ADR WuXi PharmaTech Cayman Inc., ADR *	191,700 310,190	3,960,522 1,681,230
		5,641,752
TOTAL UNITED STATES (Cost \$28,523,814)	3.5%	13,039,394
TOTAL COMMON STOCK AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (Cost \$320,701,321)	66.8%	249,406,923
EQUITY LINKED SECURITIES Consumer Staples (4.5%) Dalian Zhangzidao Fishery Group Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 01/17/12) 144A * (1) (2) Shenzhen Agricultural Products Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 01/17/12) * (1) (2) Wuliangye Yibin Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 01/20/10) 144A * (1) (2)	2,270,000 4,000,000 1,546,007	5,470,700 8,002,340 3,194,050 16,667,090
Energy (1.2%) China Yangtze Power Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 10/26/10) 144A (1) (3)	4,169,077	4,651,952
Financials (1.1%) Zhejiang Guyuelongshan Access Product (expiration 10/07/13) (1) (3)	3,582,000	4,237,843
Industrials (6.2%) Daqin Railway Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 11/02/11) 144A (1) (3) Shanghai International Airport Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 01/20/10) 144A * (1) (2) Shanghai Zhenhua Port Machinery Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 10/26/10) 144A (1) (3)  See Notes to Schedule of Investments	8,307,000 1,816,700 4,462,752	10,289,598 3,359,078 5,867,234

## THE CHINA FUND, INC. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (continued) January 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

Name of Issuer and Title of Issue EQUITY LINKED SECURITIES (continued)	Shares	Value (Note A)
INDUSTRIALS (continued) Suning Appliance Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 01/20/10) 144A * (2)	1,599,909	\$ 3,676,591
		23,192,501
Materials (1.4%) Qinghai Salt Lake Potash Co., Ltd. Access Product (expiration 10/26/10)		
144A (1) (3)	887,909	5,113,463
TOTAL EQUITY LINKED SECURITIES (Cost \$46,821,599)	14.4%	53,862,849
DIRECT INVESTMENTS		
Consumer Discretionary (10.3%) Queenbury Investments, Ltd., (Huiyan) (acquired 05/06/08) # (1) (4) Industrials (4.5%)	450	38,459,700
Highlight Tech Corp., (acquired 09/11/07) # (1) (4) (5) Qingdao Bright Moon, (acquired 02/28/08) # (1) (4) (5) Wuxi PAIHO, (acquired 09/17/07) # (1) (4) (5)	3,366,893 31,827,172 11,734,701	5,993,070 7,001,978 3,679,990
		16,675,038
Information Technology (2.7%) China Silicon Corp. Common Stock (acquired 09/23/08) # (1) (4) China Silicon Corp. Warrants (expiration 11/30/10) * # (1) (4)	238,232 685,450	566,992
China Silicon Corp., Series A Preferred (acquired 11/30/07) # (1) (4) HAND Enterprise Solutions, Ltd., (acquired 05/02/07) # (1) (4) teco Optronics Corp., (acquired 04/26/04) # (1) (4)	27,418 500,000 1,861,710	6,525,484 3,050,000
		10,142,476
TOTAL DIRECT INVESTMENTS (Cost \$66,253,893)	17.5%	65,277,214
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Cost \$433,776,813)**	98.7%	368,546,986
OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES	1.3%	4,920,442
NET ASSETS	100.0%	\$ 373,467,428

#### Notes to Schedule of Investments

(A) Portfolio securities listed on recognized United States or foreign securities exchanges are valued at the last quoted sales price in the principal market where they are traded. Listed securities with no such sales price and unlisted securities are valued at the mean between the current bid and asked prices, if any, of two brokers. Short-term investments having maturities of sixty days or less are valued at amortized cost (original purchase cost as adjusted for amortization of premium or accretion of discount) which when combined with accrued interest approximates market value. Open-end investment companies are valued at net asset value per share. Securities for which market quotations are readily available are valued at current market value. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value using methods determined in good faith by or at the direction of the Board of Directors considering relevant factors, data and information including, if relevant, the market value of freely tradable securities of the same class in the principal market on which such securities are normally traded. Direct Investments not traded on an exchange are valued at fair value as determined by the Board of Directors based on financial and other information supplied by the Direct Investment Manager regarding each Direct Investment. The Fund s investments in China companies involve certain risks not typically associated with investments in securities of U.S. companies or the U.S. Government, including risks relating to (1) social, economic and political uncertainty; (2) price volatility, lesser liquidity and smaller market capitalization of securities markets in which securities of China companies trade; (3) currency exchange fluctuations, currency blockage and higher rates of inflation; (4) controls on foreign investment and limitations on repatriation of invested capital and on the Fund s ability to exchange local currencies for U.S. dollars; (5) governmental involvement in and control over the economy; (6) risk of nationalization or expropriation of assets; (7) the nature of the smaller, less seasoned and newly organized China companies, particularly in China; and (8) the absence of uniform accounting, auditing and financial reporting standards, practices and disclosure requirements and less government supervision and regulation.

- \* Denotes non-income producing security.
- # Illiquid security.

Affiliated issuer. (See Note B)

(1) Security valued at fair value using methods determined in good faith by or at the direction of the Board of Directors.

### THE CHINA FUND, INC. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS (continued) January 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

- (2) Equity linked securities issued by Citigroup Global Markets Holdings.
- (3) Equity linked securities issued by Credit Lyonnais
- (4) Direct investments are generally restricted as to resale and do not have a readily available resale market. On the date of acquisition of each direct investment, there were no market quotations on similar securities, and such investments were therefore valued in good faith by the Board of Directors at fair
- (5) The Fund holds
  a put option
  which allow the
  Fund to sell the
  investment for a
  value at least
  equal to the
  purchase price

market value.

under certain circumstances.

144A Securities

restricted for resale to Qualified Institutional Buyers.

ADR American Depositary Receipt.

At January 31, 2009, the cost of investment securities for tax purposes was \$433,776,813. Net unrealized depreciation of investment securities for tax purposes was \$65,229,827, consisting of unrealized gains of \$46,731,064 on securities that had risen in value since their purchase and \$111,960,891 in unrealized losses on securities that had fallen in value since their purchase.

### **Forward Foreign Currency Contracts:**

As of January 31, 2009, The China Fund had the following open forward foreign currency contracts:

	Settlement				Appreciation/
Currency	Date	<b>Local Amount</b>	<b>Base Amount</b>	Market Value	Depreciation
CNY (Sell)	11/30/2009	122,079,803	\$17,540,202	\$17,366,354	\$(173,848)
CNY (Buy)	11/30/2009	9,756,820	\$ 1,374,200	\$ 1,387,948	\$ (13,748)
CNY (Buy)	11/30/2009	112,322,983	\$16,007,950	\$15,978,406	\$ 29,544
TWD (Sell)	11/30/2009	572,709,241	\$18,055,146	\$17,084,601	\$(970,545)
TWD (Buy)	11/30/2009	44,895,114	\$ 1,374,200	\$ 1,339,275	\$ 34,925
TWD (Buy)	11/30/2009	527,814,127	\$16,007,950	\$15,745,326	\$ 262,624

CNY - Chinese Yen TWD - Taiwan Dollar

#### **Fair Value Measurement**

The Fund adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements (FAS 157), effective November 1, 2008. In accordance with FAS 157, fair value is defined as the price that the Fund would receive upon selling an investment in a timely transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market of the investment. FAS 157 established a three-tier hierarchy to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Inputs refer broadly to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk, for example, the risk inherent in a particular valuation technique used to measure fair value including such a pricing model and/or the risk inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. Inputs may be observable or unobservable. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity s own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances.

The three-tier hierarchy of inputs is summarized in the three broad Levels listed below.

Level 1 quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund s own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The valuation techniques used by the Fund to measure fair value during the three months ended January 31, 2009 maximized the use of observable inputs and minimized the use of unobservable inputs. The Fund utilized the following fair value techniques: a multi-dimensional relational pricing model, option adjusted spread pricing and estimations of the price that would have prevailed in a liquid market for an international equity given information available at the time of evaluation.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of January 31, 2009 in valuing the Fund s investments carried at value:

			Otner
		Investments in	Financial
Valuatio	on Inputs	Securities	Instruments*
Level 1	Quoted Prices	\$ 251,403,825	\$ (831,048)
Level 2	Other Significant Observable Inputs	47,213,995	
Level 3	Significant Unobservable Inputs	69,929,166	
Total		\$ 368,546,986	\$ (831,048)

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\* Other financial instruments include futures, forwards and swap contracts.

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The following is a reconciliation of the fair valuations using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) for the fund during the period ending January 31, 2009:

	Market Value Beginning	Purchases at Cost /	Amortizatio	n Realized	Unrealized	Market Value
Fund	Balance 10/31/2008	Sales (Proceeds)	Disc / (Prem)	Gain / (Loss)	Gain / (Loss)	Ending Balance 1/31/2009
	Investments					
The China Fund,	in					
Inc.	Securities \$69,190,949	\$ (25,987)	\$	\$ (31,412)	\$ 795,616	\$ 69,929,166

In addition, in March 2008, FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 161, Disclosures about Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities (SFAS 161). SFAS 161 is effective for fiscal years and interim periods beginning after November 15, 2008. SFAS 161 requires enhanced disclosures about funds derivative and hedging activities. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of SFAS 161 will have on the Funds financial statement disclosures.

**Direct investments:** The Fund may invest up to 25% of the net proceeds from its offering of its outstanding common stock in direct investments. Direct investments are generally restricted and do not have a readily available resale market. The value of these securities at January 31, 2009 was \$65,277,214 or 17.5% of the Fund s net asset value. The table below details the acquisition date, cost, and value of the Fund s direct investments as determined by the Board of Director s of the Fund. The Fund does not have the right to demand that such securities be registered.

	Acquisition		
Security	Date	Cost	Market
China Silicon Corp., Series A Preferred*	11/30/2007	\$ 6,552,874	\$ 6,525,484
China Silicon Corp. Common Stock	9/23/2008	566,992	566,992
Highlight Tech. Corp.	9/11/2007	6,025,894	5,993,070
Queenbury Investments, Ltd., (Huiyan)	5/6/2008	38,515,190	38,459,700
Qingdao Bright Moon	2/28/2008	7,116,942	7,001,978
HAND Enterprise Solutions, Ltd.	5/2/2007	3,164,274	3,050,000
teco Optronics Corp.	4/26/2004	567,320	
Wuxi PAIHO	9/17/2007	3,744,407	3,679,990
		\$ 66,253,893	\$65,277,214

\* The purchase of China Silicon Corp., Series A Preferred resulted in the Fund receiving 682,450 shares of China Silicon Corp. common stock warrants. Each warrant

entitles the Fund to purchase twenty five shares of common stock at an exercise price of USD\$2.98 per share, subject to adjustment.

### NOTE B INVESTMENTS IN NON-CONTROLLED AFFILIATES\*:

	Balance of Shares	Gross	Gross	Balance of Shares	
	Held	Purchases	Sales	Held	Value
Name of Issuer	October 31, 2008	and Additions	and Reductions	January 31, 2009	January 31, 2009
CDW Holdings, Ltd.	60,000,000		292,000	59,708,000	\$ 1,679,689
China Medical System Holdings,	, ,		,,,,,,	, ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Ltd.	3,623,188			3,623,188	\$ 6,398,624
China Silicon Corp. Common					
Stock	183,396	54,836		238,232	\$ 566,992
China Silicon Corp. Series A					
Preferred	27,418			27,418	\$ 6,525,484
China Silicon Corp. Warrants	685,450			685,450	\$
Far East Energy Corp.	10,478,634			10,478,634	\$ 2,011,898
HAND Enterprise Solutions, Ltd.	500,000			500,000	\$ 3,050,000
Highlight Tech Corp.	3,366,893			3,366,893	\$ 5,993,070
Qingdao Bright Moon	31,827,172			31,827,172	\$ 7,001,978
Queenbury Investments, Ltd.					
(Huiyan)	450			450	\$ 38,459,700
teco Optronics Corp.	1,861,710			1,861,710	\$
Wuxi PAIHO	11,734,701			11,734,701	\$ 3,679,990

\* Affiliated issuers, as defined in the Investment Act of 1940, as amended, include issuers in which the Fund held 5% or more of the outstanding voting securities.

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

- (a) The registrant s principal executive and principal financial officers have concluded that the registrant s disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act) (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this Form N-Q that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant s internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-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.

The certification required by Rule 30a-2 of the 1940 Act is attached as an exhibit to this filing.

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### **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. THE CHINA FUND, INC.

By: /s/ Gary L. French Gary L. French

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 27, 2009

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 dates indicated.

By: /s/ Gary L. French Gary L. French

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 27, 2009

By: /s/ Laura F. Healy Laura F. Healy Treasurer

Date: March 27, 2009