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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number: 811-4893

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THE TAIWAN FUND, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

2 AVENUE DE LAFAYETTE
BOSTON, MA 02111
(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip code)

(Name and Address of Agent for Service)

Copy to:

The Taiwan Fund, Inc.
c/o State Street Bank and Trust Company
Attention: Mary Moran Zeven,
Assistant Secretary
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 636-9242

Date of fiscal year end: August 31, 2008

Date of reporting period: May 31, 2008

ITEM 1: SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.

Investments/May 31, 2008 (Showing Percentage of Net Assets) (unaudited)

VALUE
SHARES (NOTE b)

US\$

COMMON STOCKS - 93.0%
BASIC INDUSTRIES -- 24.8%
AUTOMOBILES, TIRES & ACCESSORIES -- 4.1%
Cheng Shin Rubber Industry Co., Ltd.
China Motor Corp.

3,000,000 \$ 5,129,470 6,000,000 4,705,302

Yulon Motor Co., Ltd.	4,000,000	4,794,081
		14,628,853
CHEMICALS 0.9% Sesoda Corp.	1,500,000	3,329,223
CONSTRUCTION 0.9% Taiwan Cement Corp.	2,000,000	3,353,884
FOOD 1.6% Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	4,000,000	5,648,993
GLASS 2.2% Taiwan Glass Industrial Corp.	6,500,000	8,078,915
IRON & STEEL 2.4% China Steel Corp.	5,000,000	8,549,116
PAPER 1.5% Chung Hwa Pulp Corp.	7,000,000	5,501,028
PETROLEUM SERVICES 1.6% Formosa Petrochemical Corp.	2,000,000	5,721,332
PLASTICS 1.0% Formosa Plastics Corp.	1,300,000	3,667,571
REAL ESTATE 1.6% Prince Housing Development Corp.	7,000,000	5,823,264
RETAIL 2.7%  Far Eastern Department Stores Co., Ltd.  President Chain Store Corp.		2,254,007 7,562,680
		9,816,687
TEXTILE 4.3% Far Eastern Textile Co., Ltd. Ruentex Industries, Ltd.		6,999,545 8,664,200
		15,663,745
TOTAL BASIC INDUSTRIES		89,782,611
FINANCE 13.9% BANKS 1.9%		
Far Eastern International Bank *	18,000,000	6,776,819
FINANCIAL SERVICES 12.0% Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. First Financial Holding Co., Ltd. Fubon Financial Holding Co., Ltd. Hua Nan Financial Holdings Co., Ltd. Mega Financial Holding Co., Ltd. Shin Kong Financial Holding Co., Ltd. Taishin Financial Holdings Co., Ltd. * Yuanta Financial Holding Co., Ltd. *	2,800,593 6,300,000 7,500,000 1,000,000 5,000,000 2,005,279 15,000,000 6,500,000	7,155,153 7,467,817 8,927,250 920,674 3,912,865 1,737,414 7,003,699 6,048,500
	0,000,000	5,010,000

	SHARES	US\$ VALUE (NOTE b)
		\$ 43,173,372
TOTAL FINANCE		49,950,191
MISCELLANEOUS 2.2% ATHLETIC FOOTWARE 2.2%		
Pou Chen Corp.	8,000,531	7 <b>,</b> 799 <b>,</b> 942
TECHNOLOGY 52.1% ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS 6.9%		
Everlight Electronics Co., Ltd.	1,500,920	5,305,348
Kinsus Interconnect Technology Corp.	1,800,029	4,705,378
Nan Ya Printed Circuit Board Corp.	1,330,401	7,414,812
Pixart Imaging, Inc.	250,000	1,833,128
Unimicron Technology Corp.	4,000,000	5,491,163
		24,749,829
ELECTRONICS 2.2%		
Synnex Technology International Corp.	3,000,000	7,842,170
IC DESIGN 6.5%	000 000	0 005 000
MediaTek, Inc.		9,995,890 6,598,700
Novatek Microelectronics Corp., Ltd. Orise Technology Co., Ltd. *	1,700,703 1,600,000	4,471,845
RichTek Technology Corp.		2,342,787
		23,409,222
MEMORY IC 1.5% Inotera Memories, Inc.	8 000 000	5,445,129
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PC & PERIPHERALS 11.0%	2 700 262	10 670 670
Asustek Computer, Inc. Clevo Co. *		10,670,673 2,677,705
Foxconn Technology Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	5,803,535
GeoVision, Inc.	450,000	3,166,461
Hon Hai Precision Industry Co., Ltd.	2,300,760	
Inventec Co., Ltd.	3,000,000	1,854,501
Quanta Computer, Inc.	1,500,000	2,367,447
		39,552,429
SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING 7.7%		
Siliconware Precision Industries Co.	3,000,074	5,030,950
Sino-American Silicon Products, Inc.	250,000	1,368,681
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	9,200,009	19,844,491
Wafer Works Corp.	340,000	1,565,146
		27,809,268
TELECOMMUNICATIONS 8.3%		
Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	6,500,454	16,116,210
High Tech Computer Corp.	300,000	7,980,271
Merry Electronics Co., Ltd.	2,500,866	5,928,892
		30,025,373

TFT-LCD 8.0%		
Au Optronics Corp.	6,500,674	12,483,004

See Notes to Schedule of Investments.

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INVESTMENTS/ MAY 31, 2008 (unaudited) (continued)

	SHARES	US\$ VALUE (NOTE b)
Chi Mei Optoelectronics Corp. InnoLux Display Corp. Wintek Corp. *	3,000,000 3,000,840 4,500,000	\$ 4,088,779 8,387,058 3,684,341
		28,643,182
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY		187,476,602
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Identified Cost \$270,523,880)		335,009,346
	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NT\$	US\$ VALUE (NOTE b)
COMMERCIAL PAPER - 6.8% C S Aluminium Corp.(a) First Taisec Securities (a) Formica Taiwan Corp. (a) Hong Ching Investments (a) Mercuries & Associates (a) Sampo (a) Sinopac Card Services (a)	299,771,842 113,822,332 29,954,593 54,916,557 49,842,522 99,677,911 99,848,604	3,742,617 984,943 1,805,723 1,638,883
TOTAL COMMERCIAL PAPER (Identified Cost \$24,543,346)		24,589,704
	MATURITY AMOUNT US\$	US\$ VALUE (NOTE b)

REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - 0.1% State Street Bank and Trust Co. 0.35% dated 5/27/08 due 6/2/08 (collateralized by U.S. Treasury Bill 1.92%, 11/6/08, market value \$426,302) (c)

415,000 415,000

TOTAL INVESTMENTS -- 99.9% (Cost -- \$295,482,226) \*\*

\$360,014,050

OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, NET - 0.1%

\$ 415,556

NET ASSETS -- 100.0%

\$360,429,606

See Notes to Schedule of Investments.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

NT\$ New Taiwan Dollar

US\$ United States Dollar

- \* Non-income producing
- (a) Certificates of Deposit and Commercial Paper that are traded through Bills Finance Corporations must be guaranteed by either a bank, a trust company or a Bills Finance Corporation. Since there is no recognized credit rating system in the Republic of China, the guarantee may not be comparable to a guarantee issued by a U.S. institution.
- (b) All securities, including those traded over-the-counter for which market quotations are readily available, are valued at the last sales price prior to the time of determination of the Fund's net asset value per share or, if there were no sales on such date, at the closing price quoted for such securities (but if bid and asked quotations are available, at the mean between the last current bid and asked prices, rather than such quoted closing price). In certain instances where the price determined above may not represent fair market value, the value is determined in such manner as the Board of Directors may prescribe. Short-term investments, having a maturity of 60 days or less, are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value, with accrued interest or discount earned included in interest receivable.
- (c) In connection with transactions in repurchase agreements, it is the Fund's policy that its custodian take possession of the underlying collateral securities, the fair value of which exceeds the principal amount of the repurchase transaction, including accrued interest, at all times. If the seller defaults, and the fair value of the collateral declines, realization of the collateral by the Fund may be delayed or limited by legal proceedings.
- \*\* At May 31, 2008, aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities for which there was an excess of value over financial reporting cost was \$85,121,883 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities for which there was an excess of financial reporting cost over value was

\$20,590,059 and net appreciation for financial reporting purposes was \$64,531,824. At May 31, 2008, aggregate cost for financial reporting purposes was \$295,482,226.

#### 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 have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

#### ITEM 3. EXHIBITS

The certifications required by Rule 30a-2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), as amended, are attached as exhibits to this filing.

#### 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 TAIWAN FUND, INC.

By: /s/ Andrew Chen
Andrew Chen
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 23, 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 dates indicated.

By: /s/ Adelina Louie Adelina Louie Treasurer of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 18, 2008

By: /s/ Andrew Chen
Andrew Chen
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 23, 2008