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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: 811-04893

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

2 AVENUE DE LAFAYETTE,
P.O. Box 5049
BOSTON, MA 02206-5049
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(Name and Address of Agent for Service)
The Taiwan Fund, Inc.
c/o State Street Bank and Trust Company
Attention: Elizabeth A. Watson,
Assistant Secretary
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 636-9242

Date of fiscal year end: August 31

Date of reporting period: May 31, 2009

ITEM 1: SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.
Schedule of Investments/May 31, 2009 (Showing Percentage of Net Assets)
(unaudited)

	US\$ VALUE (NOTE a)
SHARES	-----
COMMON STOCKS - 86.1%	
BASIC INDUSTRIES -- 26.7%	
AUTOMOBILES, TIRES & ACCESSORIES -- 1.0%	

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Yulon Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.	1,370,000	\$ 2,399,779

CEMENT -- 1.6%		
Asia Cement Corp.	3,500,000	3,936,633

FOOD -- 3.9%		
Great Wall Enterprise Co., Ltd.	2,000,339	2,157,677
Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	3,500,000	3,877,476
Wei Chuan Food Corp. *	3,500,000	3,538,667

		9,573,820

GLASS -- 1.5%		
Taiwan Glass Industrial Corp.	5,500,000	3,794,502

IRON & STEEL -- 2.8%		
China Steel Corp.	7,000,000	5,958,728
Tung Ho Steel Enterprise Corp.	1,000,000	1,044,852

		7,003,580

PAPER -- 0.2%		
Kang Na Hsiung Enterprise Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	588,497

PETROLEUM SERVICES -- 2.0%		
Formosa Petrochemical Corp.	2,000,000	5,039,873

PLASTICS -- 2.7%		
Formosa Plastics Corp.	2,000,000	3,872,098
Nan Ya Plastics Corp.	2,000,000	2,857,977

		6,730,075

RETAIL -- 4.3%		
President Chain Store Corp.	2,500,000	6,453,496
Ruentex Industries, Ltd.	4,000,000	4,179,407

		10,632,903

RUBBER -- 3.7%		
Cheng Shin Rubber Industry Co., Ltd.	4,000,000	6,736,221
TSRC Corp.	2,000,000	2,519,937

		9,256,158

TEXTILE -- 1.4%		
Far Eastern Textile, Ltd.	3,000,000	3,397,305

TRANSPORTATION -- 1.6%		
U-Ming Marine Transport Corp.	800,000	1,659,471
Yang Ming Marine Transport	5,000,000	2,243,358

		3,902,829

TOTAL BASIC INDUSTRIES		66,255,954

FINANCE -- 8.5%		
FINANCIAL SERVICES -- 8.5%		
Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	4,000,622	6,479,089
First Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	8,000,500	5,372,103
Fubon Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	4,500,000	4,363,025
SinoPac Financial Holdings Co., Ltd.	10,000,000	3,134,555

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Taishin Financial Holdings Co., Ltd.	5,000,000	1,805,442

TOTAL FINANCE		21,154,214

	SHARES	US\$ VALUE (NOTE a)
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TECHNOLOGY -- 50.9%		
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS -- 2.3%		
Advanced Power Electronics Corp.	1,000,000	\$ 891,197
Kinsus Interconnect Technology Corp.	1,000,000	1,797,760
Silitech Technology Corp.	1,400,000	2,990,120

		5,679,077

ELECTRONICS DISTRIBUTION -- 3.0%		
Synnex Technology International Corp.	4,500,000	7,370,815

IC DESIGN -- 8.7%		
MediaTek, Inc.	1,175,000	14,443,540
Novatek Microelectronics Corp. Ltd.	1,000,878	2,429,875
Orise Technology Co., Ltd.	600,000	1,004,902
RichTek Technology Corp.	525,000	3,654,292

		21,532,609

OPTOELECTRONICS -- 4.5%		
Au Optronics Corp.	4,000,695	4,130,955
InnoLux Display Corp.	1,600,924	2,226,205
Largan Precision Co., Ltd.	300,000	3,272,845
Motech Industries, Inc.	400,000	1,585,716

		11,215,721

OTHER ELECTRONIC -- 6.1%		
Hon Hai Precision Industry Co., Ltd.	4,000,874	15,122,924

PC & PERIPHERALS -- 4.8%		
Catcher Technology Co. Ltd.	1,500,000	4,245,479
Quanta Computer, Inc.	3,000,000	4,794,026
Quanta Storage, Inc.	2,000,000	2,857,977

		11,897,482

SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING -- 8.5%		
Siliconware Precision Industries Co.	2,000,074	2,596,860
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000,426	18,562,276

		21,159,136

TELECOMMUNICATIONS -- 13.0%		
Chunghwa Telecom Co., Ltd.	5,000,094	9,526,770
Far EasTone Telecommunications Co., Ltd.	4,300,000	4,955,363
Gemtek Technology Corp.	1,500,000	2,678,201
HTC Corp.	550,000	8,856,655

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Taiwan Mobile Co., Ltd.	3,500,000	6,216,868

		32,233,857

TOTAL TECHNOLOGY		126,211,621

TOTAL COMMON STOCKS		
(Identified Cost -- \$164,440,495)		213,621,789

TOTAL INVESTMENTS -- 86.1%		
(Cost -- \$164,440,495) **		\$213,621,789

OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, NET--13.9%		34,524,373

NET ASSETS--100.0%		\$248,146,162
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See Notes to Schedule of Investments.

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NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

US\$ United States Dollar

* Non-income producing

(a) 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. Foreign securities may be valued at fair value according to procedures approved by the Board of Directors if the closing price is not reflective of current market values due to trading or events occurring in the valuation time of the Fund. In addition, substantial changes in values in the U.S. markets subsequent to the close of a foreign market may also affect the values of securities traded in the foreign market. The value of foreign securities may be adjusted if such movements in the U.S. market exceed a specified threshold. 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.

** At May 31, 2009, aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities for which there was an excess of value over financial reporting cost was \$56,281,353 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities for which there was an excess of financial reporting cost over value was \$7,100,059 and net appreciation for financial reporting purposes was \$49,181,294. At May 31, 2009, aggregate cost for financial reporting purposes was \$164,440,495.

The Fund adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, Fair Value Measurements ("FAS 157"), effective September 1, 2008. In accordance with FAS 157, fair value is defined as the

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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 inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

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

VALUATION INPUTS	INVESTMENTS IN SECURITIES
Level 1 - Quoted Prices	\$ 213,621,789
Level 2 - Other Significant Observable Inputs	--
Level 3 - Significant Unobservable Inputs	--
TOTAL	\$ 213,621,789
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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 fund derivative and hedging activities. There were no derivative instruments held by the Fund on May 31, 2009.

In April 2009, FASB issued FASB Staff Position No. 157-4, "Determining Fair Value When the Volume and Level of Activity for the Asset or Liability Have Significantly Decreased and Identifying Transactions That Are Not Orderly" ("FSP 157-4"). FSP 157-4 provides additional guidance for estimating fair value in accordance with SFAS 157, when the volume and level of activity for the asset or

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liability have significantly decreased as well as guidance on identifying circumstances that indicate a transaction is not orderly. FSP 157-4 is effective for fiscal years and interim periods ending after June 15, 2009. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of FSP 157-4 will have on the Fund's disclosures.

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 Rule 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 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), 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
Principal Executive Officer
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 28, 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/ Adelina Louie

Adelina Louie
Principal Financial Officer
Treasurer of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 28, 2009

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By: /s/ Andrew Chen

Andrew Chen
Principal Executive Officer
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: July 28, 2009