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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

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

225 FRANKLIN STREET
BOSTON, MA 02110

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(Name and Address of Agent for Service)

Copy to:

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c/o State Street Bank and Trust Company
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Boston, MA 02110

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31 West 52nd Street
New York, New York 10019

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 636-9242

Date of fiscal year end: August 31, 2004

Date of reporting period: November 30, 2004

ITEM 1: SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.
INVESTMENTS/NOVEMBER 30, 2004
(SHOWING PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL VALUE OF INVESTMENT IN SECURITIES) (UNAUDITED)

	SHARES	US \$ VALUE
COMMON STOCKS - 95.2%		
BASIC INDUSTRIES - 17.6%		
CHEMICALS - 0.8%		
Oriental Union Chemical Corp.	1,600,000	\$ 1,683,165

IRON & STEEL - 5.4%		
China Steel Corp.	10,862,000	11,965,896

PETROLEUM SERVICES - 2.3%		

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Formosa Petrochemical Corp.	2,774,000	4,949,729

PLASTICS - 9.1%		
Formosa Chemicals & Fibre Corp. ..	4,200,000	7,820,016
Formosa Plastic Corp.	4,218,000	6,740,946

Nan Ya Plastics Corp.	3,776,000	5,425,254
		19,986,216

TOTAL BASIC INDUSTRIES		38,585,006

DURABLES - 2.0%		
AUTOMOBILES, TIRES & ACCESSORIES - 2.0%		
Cheng Shin Rubber Industry Co.		
Ltd.	3,600,000	4,468,580

FINANCE - 18.8%		
BANKS - 2.0%		
International Bank of Taipei	6,400,000	4,468,580

FINANCIAL SERVICES - 16.8%		
Cathay Financial Holding Co.		
Ltd.	5,000,000	9,619,860
Chinatrust Financial Holding Co.		
Ltd.	8,476,812	9,680,270
E. Sun Financial Holding Co.		
Ltd.	8,000,000	5,908,456
Mega Financial Holding Co.	15,000,000	9,775,019
Taishin Financial Holdings Co.		
Ltd.	2,000,000	1,812,258

		36,795,863

TOTAL FINANCE		41,264,443

RETAIL & WHOLESALE - 3.7%		
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES - 3.7%		
President Chain Store Corp.	5,384,800	8,020,804

TECHNOLOGY - 51.6%		
ELECTRONICS - 10.5%		
Asia Vital Components Co. Ltd.	1,510,000	1,185,508
Au Optronics Corp.	4,605,000	6,044,732
Career Technology (MFG.) Co.		
Ltd.	3,000,000	3,900,698
Merry Electronics Co. Ltd.	1,400,000	3,171,451
Tripod Technology Corp.	2,800,000	3,788,363
Unimicron Technology Corp.	3,604,000	2,259,140
Wus Printed Circuit Co. Ltd.	6,121,000	2,649,743

		22,999,635

PC & PERIPHERALS - 13.4%		
Asustek Computer, Inc.	5,780,000	13,362,607
Beng Corp.	2,000,000	2,079,131
Hon Hai Precision Industry Co.		
Ltd.	2,596,247	10,473,611
Quanta Computer, Inc.	2,200,000	3,584,174

		29,499,523

SEMI-CONDUCTOR - 14.0%		

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Advanced Semiconductor Engineering, Inc. (a)	3,316,907	2,460,018
Novatek Microelectronics Corp. Ltd.	1,800,000	5,306,439
Sunplus Technology Co. Ltd.	3,850,000	5,376,261
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co.	7,200,000	10,568,192
United Microelectronics Corp. Ltd. (a)	11,238,000	7,044,456

		30,755,366

TELECOMMUNICATIONS - 13.7%		
Chunghwa Telecom Co. Ltd.	9,500,000	18,867,339
Taiwan Cellular Corp.	4,000,000	4,282,389
Zyxel Communications Corp.	3,000,000	6,842,514

		29,992,242

TOTAL TECHNOLOGY		113,246,766

TRANSPORTATION - 1.5%		
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Yang Ming Marine Transport	3,720,000	3,347,711

TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Identified Cost -- \$161,965,584)		208,933,310

	PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NT\$ -----	
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT - 2.1%		
China Airlines 1.05%, 3/18/05 (b)	9,961,063	309,110
Far Eastern International Bank 1.10%, 12/08/04 (b)	30,033,175	931,984
Siliconware Precision Industry 1.05%, 1/18/05 (b)	49,894,190	1,548,307
Taishin International Bank 1.10%, 12/30/04 (b)	50,173,294	1,556,968
Walton Advanced Engineering In 1.05%, 1/18/05 (b)	7,983,691	247,748

TOTAL CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT (Identified Cost -- \$4,460,976)		4,594,117

COMMERCIAL PAPER - 2.5%		
Ial Ban Co. 1.00%, 4/04/05 (b)	79,593,349	2,469,925
Shinkong Synthetic Fibers Corp. 1.00%, 12/31/04 (b)	99,764,271	3,095,866

TOTAL COMMERCIAL PAPER (Identified Cost -- \$5,302,017)		5,565,791

See Notes to Schedule of Investments

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INVESTMENTS/NOVEMBER 30, 2004 (CONTINUED)

	MATURITY AMOUNT US\$	US \$ VALUE
REPURCHASE AGREEMENT - 0.2%		
State Street Bank & Trust Co. at 0.4% dated 11/29/04, due 12/06/04 (collateralized by U.S. Treasury Note 0%, 5/12/05, market value \$376,200)	\$ 367,029	\$ 367,000

TOTAL INVESTMENTS -- 100%		
(COST -- \$172,095,577)		\$219,460,218
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LEGEND:

US\$ - United States dollar

NT\$ - New Taiwan Dollar

(a) Non-income producing

(b) 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.

INCOME TAX INFORMATION:

At November 30, 2004, the aggregate cost basis of the Fund's investment securities for income tax purposes was \$172,095,577.

Net unrealized appreciation of the Fund's investment securities was \$47,364,641 of which \$52,490,332 related to appreciated investment securities and \$5,125,691 related to depreciated investment securities for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2004.

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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

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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 certification required by Rule 30a-2(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), as amended, is attached as an exhibit 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/ Benny T. Hu

Benny T. Hu
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: January 31, 2005

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: January 31, 2005

By: /s/ Benny T. Hu

Benny T. Hu
President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: January 31, 2005