

HIGH INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INC  
Form 8-K  
January 21, 2005

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 21, 2005

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**High Income Opportunity Fund Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**811-07920**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-3735236**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**300 First Stamford Place, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stamford, CT**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**06902**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (203) 890-7041

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**CURRENT REPORT ON FORM 8-K**

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On January 21, 2005, High Income Opportunity Fund Inc. (the Fund ) issued a press release in connection with a Securities and Exchange Commission investigation first disclosed in December 2003 involving Citigroup Asset Management, the Citigroup business unit which includes the Fund's Investment Manager and other investment advisory companies, and an employee and former employees.

Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of the press release. The press release is being furnished pursuant to Item 9.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, and the information contained in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under Section 18. Furthermore, the information contained in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of the Fund under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

**Exhibit  
Number**

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99.1 High Income Opportunity Fund Inc. press release, dated January 21, 2005.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

High Income Opportunity Fund Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: January 21, 2005

/s/ Thomas C. Mandia

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(Signature)

Name: Thomas C. Mandia

Title: Assistant Secretary

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99.1 Press release of the Fund, dated January 21, 2005.