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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)

c/o STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY ONE LINCOLN STREET, P.O. BOX 5049 BOSTON, MA 02111-5049

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Date of fiscal year end: August 31

Date of reporting period: November 30, 2016

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.

Schedule of Investments/November 30, 2016 (Showing Percentage of Net Assets) (unaudited)

	SHARES	US \$ VALUE (NOTE 2)
COMMON STOCKS – 97.6% CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY — 12.8% Auto Components Industry — 0.9% Macauto Industrial Co., Ltd.	263,000	1,423,384
Auto Parts & Equipment Industry — 0.6% Tung Thih Electronic Co., Ltd.	105,000	905,939
Healthcare Industry — 0.9% Nan Liu Enterprise Co., Ltd.	303,000	1,354,673
Household Appliances Industry — 1.3% Basso Industry Corp.	896,000	2,080,256
Leisure Time Industry — 1.5% Giant Manufacturing Co., Ltd. KMC Kuei Meng International, Inc. Merida Industry Co., Ltd.	140,000 248,298 147,000	834,562 802,394 643,381 2,280,337
Multiline Retail Industry — 1.4% Poya International Co., Ltd. Taiwan FamilyMart Co., Ltd.	154,352 41,000	1,932,245 277,853 2,210,098
Textile Industry — 6.2% Eclat Textile Co., Ltd. Taiwan Paiho Ltd. Toung Loong Textile Manufacturing Co., Ltd. TOTAL CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY	244,356 1,711,000 819,000	2,529,962 5,201,766 1,976,002 9,707,730 19,962,417
ELECTRONICS — 23.0% Communications and Internet Industry — 3.4% Wistron NeWeb Corp.	1,786,090	5,284,356
Computer and Peripheral Equipment Industry — Advantech Co., Ltd. Inventec Corp. Mitac Holdings Corp.	- 3.2% 253,000 1,582,000 1,886,000	2,036,034 1,069,623 1,920,142 5,025,799

Electronic Parts/Components Industry — King Slide Works Co., Ltd.	1.4%	189.	,000	2,161,406
Optoelectronics Industry — 5.3% Largan Precision Co., Ltd.		71,0	000	8,219,810
Semiconductor Industry — 9.7% Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co TOTAL ELECTRONICS	o., Ltd.	2,61	5,000	15,014,119 35,705,490
	SHAR	ES	US \$ VALUE (NOTE	
FINANCE — 14.4% Diversified Finance Services Industry — E. Sun Financial Holding Co., Ltd.	0.7% 1,897,1	100	1,101,	131
Financial and Insurance Industry — 13.76 Cathay Financial Holding Co., Ltd. China Life Insurance Co., Ltd. Fubon Financial Holding Co., Ltd. Yuanta Financial Holding Co., Ltd. TOTAL FINANCE	% 4,674,6 4,626,0 4,330,0 7,736,0	000		709 865 338 4,422
FOODS — 2.5% Food Industry — 1.4% Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	1,307,9	995	2,236,	555
Food Products Industry — 1.1% Grape King Bio Ltd. TOTAL FOODS	217,00	0	1,627, 3,863,	
INDUSTRIALS — 9.0% Airlines Industry — 0.4% Aerospace Industrial Development Corp.	434,00	0	551,47	70
Building Material and Construction Indus Nien Made Enterprise Co., Ltd.	stry — 2 348,00		3,897,	844
Electrical Components & Equipment Indo Bizlink Holding, Inc. Voltronic Power Technology Corp.	ustry — 52,000 97,818		% 250,43 1,281, 1,531,	305
Electrical Components Industry — 2.4% Delta Electronics, Inc.	755,15	5	3,790,	820

Machinery Industry — 2.7%

Airtac International Group 371,000 2,811,047
Iron Force Industrial Co., Ltd. 263,976 1,441,089
4,252,136
TOTAL INDUSTRIALS 14,024,006

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY — 29.4%

Computer and Peripheral Equipment Industry — 1.0%

 Chunghwa Precision Test Tech Co., Ltd. 20,000
 740,439

 Innolux Corp. 2,057,000
 709,911

 1,450,25

1,450,350

Electrical Components Industry — 1.8%

Au Optronics Corp. 3,537,000 1,270,626 Sinbon Electronics Co., Ltd. 702,815 1,470,767 2,741,393

Electronic Parts/Components Industry — 6.4%

Hon Hai Precision Industry Co., Ltd. 3,885,259 9,995,646

THE TAIWAN FUND, INC.

Schedule of Investments/November 30, 2016 (Showing Percentage of Net Assets) (unaudited) (continued)

	SHARES	US \$ VALUE (NOTE 2)
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY —(continued) Semiconductor Equipment Industry — 2.5% Silergy Corp.	252,000	3,846,453
Semiconductor Industry — 11.6% Advanced Semiconductor Engineering, Inc. ASPEED Technology, Inc. Epistar Corp. * Himax Technologies, Inc. ADR MediaTek, Inc. Parade Technologies Ltd. Powertech Technology, Inc. Realtek Semiconductor Corp. Silicon Motion Technology Corp. ADR	2,003,000 230,164 1,341,000 295,000 416,000 114,000 611,000 802,000 27,000	2,152,378 3,368,729 986,617 2,174,150 2,890,974 1,203,558 1,570,009 2,491,074 1,241,730 18,079,219
Technology Hardware Industry — 6.1% Ennoconn Corp. Micro-Star International Co., Ltd. Primax Electronics Ltd. TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	311,490 1,074,000 1,580,000	4,397,782 2,864,180 2,270,385 9,532,347 45,645,408
MATERIALS — 2.9% Building Material and Construction Industry — 0.9% Taiwan Cement Corp.	1,242,000	1,435,940
Plastic Industry — 2.0% Formosa Chemicals & Fibre Corp. Formosa Plastics Corp. Nan Ya Plastics Corp. TOTAL MATERIALS	323,000 101,000 870,000	1,012,384 287,729 1,831,550 3,131,663 4,567,603
TEXTILES — 0.5% Textile Industry — 0.5% Far Eastern New Century Corp. TOTAL TEXTILES WHOLESALE AND RETAIL — 3.1%	1,073,000	791,124 791,124
Oil Gas and Electricity Industry General Industry — 1.99 Formosa Petrochemical Corp.	% 863,000	2,910,693

Trading and Consumers' Goods Industry — 1.2%

President Chain Store Corp.	244,000	1,833,464
TOTAL WHOLESALE AND RETAIL		4,744,157
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost — \$128,138,864)		151,739,490
TOTAL INVESTMENTS — 97.6% (Cost — \$128,138	,864)	151,739,490
OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, NET—2.4%		3,790,853
NET ASSETS—100.0%		155,530,343

Legend:

US \$ – United States dollar *Non-income producing

ADR – American Depositary Receipt

Notes to Schedule of Investments (unaudited) November 30, 2016

1. Organization. The Taiwan Fund, Inc. (the "Fund"), a Delaware corporation, is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a diversified closed-end management investment fund.

The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Codification Topic 946 "Financial Services - Investment Companies."

The Fund concentrates its investments in the securities listed on the Taiwan Stock Exchange. Because of this concentration, the Fund may be subject to additional certain risks not typically associated with investing in securities of U.S. companies or the U.S. government, including (1) volatility of the Taiwan securities market, (2) restrictions on repatriation of capital invested in Taiwan, (3) fluctuations in the rate of exchange between the NT Dollar and the U.S. Dollar, and (4) political and economic risks. In addition, Republic of China accounting, auditing, financial and other reporting standards are not equivalent to U.S. standards and, therefore, certain material disclosures may not be made, and less information may be available to investors investing in Taiwan than in the United States. There is also generally less regulation by governmental agencies and self-regulatory organizations with respect to the securities industry in Taiwan than there is in the United States.

2. Basis of Presentation. The preparation of the Schedule of Investments is in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts and disclosures in the Schedule of Investments during the reporting period. Management believes the estimates and security valuations are appropriate; however, actual results may differ from those estimates, and the security valuations reflected in the Schedule of Investments may differ from the value the Fund ultimately realizes upon the sale of the securities.

Security Valuation. 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). These securities are generally categorized as Level 1 securities in the fair value hierarchy. 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 (the "Board") may prescribe. Foreign securities may be valued at fair value according to procedures approved by the Board 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. These securities may be categorized as Level 2 or Level 3 securities in the fair value hierarchy, depending on the valuation inputs. 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.

The Fund has adopted fair valuation accounting standards which establish a definition of fair value and set out a hierarchy for measuring fair value. These standards require additional disclosures about the various inputs and valuation techniques used to develop the measurements of fair value and a discussion in changes in valuation techniques and related inputs during the period. These inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below:

• Level 1 – quoted unadjusted prices for identical instruments in active markets to which the Fund has access at the date of measurement.

- Level 2 quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active; and model derived valuations in which all significant inputs and significant value drivers are observable in active markets. Level 2 inputs are those in markets for which there are few transactions, the prices are not current, little public information exists or instances where prices vary substantially over time or among brokered market makers.
- Level 3 model derived valuations in which one or more significant inputs or significant value drivers are unobservable. Unobservable inputs are those inputs that reflect the Fund's own assumptions that market participants would use to price the asset or liability based on the best available information.

		Level	Level	
Investments in Securities	Level 1	2	3	Total
Common Stocks [^]	\$151,739,490	\$ -	_\$ -	_\$151,739,490
Total	\$151,739,490	\$ -	_\$ -	_\$151,739,490

[^]See schedule of investments for industry breakout.

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

Notes to Schedule of Investments (unaudited) (continued) November 30, 2016

The Fund's policy is to disclose transfers between Levels based on valuations at the end of the reporting period. As of November 30, 2016, there were no transfers between Levels 1, 2, or 3 based on the valuation input levels.

Foreign Currency Translation. The financial accounting records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. Dollars. Investment securities, other assets and liabilities denominated in a foreign currency are translated into U.S. Dollars at the current exchange rate. Purchases and sales of securities, income receipts and expense payments are translated into U.S. Dollars at the exchange rate on the dates of the transactions.

Security Transactions. Security transactions are accounted for as of the trade date.

3. Tax Basis of Investments. Cost of investments for federal income tax purposes is substantially the same as for financial statement purposes. At November 30, 2016, the aggregate cost basis of the Fund's investment securities for financial reporting purposes was \$128,138,864. Net unrealized appreciation of the Fund's investment securities was \$23,600,626, of which \$27,048,678 was related to appreciated investment securities and \$3,448,052 was related to depreciated investment securities.

ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

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, as amended, (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(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, as amended, and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, 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/ Simon J. Crinage

Simon J. Crinage

President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: January 23, 2017

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, 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/ Simon J. Crinage

Simon J. Crinage

President of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: January 23, 2017

By: /s/ William C. Cox

William C. Cox

Treasurer of The Taiwan Fund, Inc.

Date: January 23, 2017