

MORGAN STANLEY EMERGING MARKETS DEBT FUND INC  
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Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM N-CSR**

**CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

Investment Company Act file number 811-07694

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Zip code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-296-6990

Date of fiscal year end: December 31, 2011

Date of reporting period: June 30, 2011

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Item 1 - Report to Shareholders

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Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.

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For additional Fund information, including the Fund's net asset value per share and information regarding the investments comprising the Fund's portfolio, please call toll free 1(800) 231-2608 or visit our website at [www.morganstanley.com/im](http://www.morganstanley.com/im). All investments involve risks, including the possible loss of principal.

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Morgan Stanley

Investment Management Inc.

Investment Adviser

**Semi-Annual  
Report**

June 30, 2011





Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.

Overview (unaudited)

Letter to Stockholders

## Performance

For the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") had total returns of 5.32%, based on net asset value, and 4.80% based on market value per share (including reinvestment of distributions), compared to its benchmark, the J.P. Morgan Emerging Markets Bond Global Index (the "Index"), which returned 5.09%. On June 30, 2011, the closing price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange was \$10.62, representing an 8.4% discount to the Fund's net asset value per share. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

## Factors Affecting Performance

- The first three months of 2011 were volatile, with a number of unexpected global events including political turmoil in the Middle East and Africa, the Japan earthquake, and the precarious fiscal situation in Emerging Europe. However, emerging market-related asset classes performed well in the first quarter. In addition, the market digested a record \$84 billion (in U.S. dollars) of external debt supply in the first quarter of 2011, with 77% of this issuance coming from EM corporate debt.
- During the first quarter, emerging market central banks adopted divergent tightening strategies. Some central banks, such as Chile and Israel, surprised the market by stepping up the pace of rate hikes; others, including Brazil and Turkey, tightened prudential regulations in lieu of rate hikes. The Index spread widened 10 basis points to 299 basis points above U.S. Treasuries as risk aversion increased markedly during the first quarter.
- Global risk markets were mixed through the second quarter of 2011 as European officials lacked a clear resolution to Greece's sovereign-debt crisis and U.S. economic data disappointed. In addition to Greece, other European countries showed significant signs of stress, including Portugal, Italy and Spain. In the second quarter, emerging market asset classes performed well. Inflation continued to be an important concern in the emerging markets as rising food and energy prices prompted emerging market central banks to remain vigilant. Against this backdrop, many emerging market central banks resumed monetary tightening policies to combat inflationary pressures.
- In the second quarter, Greece's debt problems and fear of contagion caused U.S. Treasuries to rally in conjunction with weak U.S. economic data. As demand pushed prices up, yields on the 10-year Treasury fell below 3% before retracing. Emerging markets debt yield spreads, as measured by the Index, tightened 11 basis points to 288 basis points above U.S. Treasuries for the quarter primarily driven by the Treasury sell-off at the end of June as investor appetite for global risk assets bounced back.
- The portfolio benefited from overweight exposure to Brazil, Chilean local markets, Kazakhstan, Mexican local markets, Russian local markets, Venezuela, and the South Korean won. Venezuelan bonds rallied after President Hugo Chavez sought medical treatment in Cuba for cancer and international investors speculated that the left-leaning president might have to leave office. Brazil benefited from dissipating inflationary expectations as the central bank hiked its benchmark interest rate and Moody's upgraded Brazil's sovereign credit rating. Mexican local markets also benefited from dissipating inflationary expectations. Kazakhstan and Russian local markets, and Chile, the world's largest copper producer, benefited from high commodity prices.





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Letter to Stockholders (cont'd)

Security selection in Argentina also contributed to relative returns. The Korean won was relatively undervalued compared to other regional currencies and Korean officials have been supportive of currency market strengthening to offset inflationary pressures.

- Conversely, underweight exposure to the Philippines as well as exposure to local markets in South Africa and Turkey detracted from performance. The Philippines benefited from foreign and local currency long-term bond rating increases by Moody's due to control of its budget deficit and its central banks efforts to keep inflation in check. In Turkey, the central bank left its key benchmark rate unchanged despite rising inflation, continuing its unorthodox approach to monetary policy. Security selection in Indonesia hurt performance.

### **Management Strategies**

- We expect growth in the developed world to recover in the second half of 2011, reflecting expansionary monetary policies particularly in the U.S. However, the unresolved fiscal sustainability issues in the periphery of Europe and in the U.S., as well as geopolitical developments, are likely to generate periodic bouts of risk aversion during the year. As recently witnessed, the developed world will have periods of subpar growth, but we expect these to be temporary phenomena. Expansionary policies in the developed world are likely to provide further support to commodity prices and capital inflows to EM countries, but will also exacerbate inflationary and currency appreciation pressures.
- Our constructive view on EM assets in 2011 reflects strong domestic demand-driven growth, supportive terms of trade and large capital inflows. EM countries are likely to respond to expansionary policies in the developed world by hardening capital controls or allowing moderate currency appreciation to help offset imported inflation, while continuing to hike rates at a pace to contain domestic inflationary pressures. Overall, we believe that EM central banks will be able to slow but not to reverse the appreciation trend in their currencies.
- The impact of the strong EM macroeconomic fundamentals on sovereign risk premium appears to be fully priced in most countries, with pockets of undervaluation on which we will focus. In contrast, we believe that higher carry and continued portfolio flows will continue to support EM currencies. Several currencies in Asia and certain commodity currencies remain undervalued, in our view, and could potentially benefit further from a benign external environment and accommodative monetary policy in the developed world.

Sincerely,

Arthur Lev  
President and Principal Executive Officer July 2011

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.

June 30, 2011 (unaudited)

Investment Advisory Agreement Approval

### **Nature, Extent and Quality of Services**

The Board reviewed and considered the nature and extent of the investment advisory services provided by the Adviser (as defined herein) under the advisory agreement, including portfolio management, investment research and equity and fixed income securities trading. The Board also reviewed and considered the nature and extent of the non-advisory, administrative services provided by the Fund's Adviser under the administration agreement, including accounting, clerical, bookkeeping, compliance, business management and planning, and the provision of supplies, office space and utilities at the Adviser's expense. (The advisory and administration agreements together are referred to as the "Management Agreement.") The Board also compared the nature of the services provided by the Adviser with similar services provided by non-affiliated advisers as reported to the Board by Lipper, Inc. ("Lipper").

The Board reviewed and considered the qualifications of the portfolio managers, the senior administrative managers and other key personnel of the Adviser who provide the administrative and advisory services to the Fund. The Board determined that the Adviser's portfolio managers and key personnel are well qualified by education and/or training and experience to perform the services in an efficient and professional manner. The Board concluded that the nature and extent of the advisory and administrative services provided were necessary and appropriate for the conduct of the business and investment activities of the Fund and supported its decision to approve the Management Agreement.

### **Performance, Fees and Expenses of the Fund**

The Board reviewed the performance, fees and expenses of the Fund compared to its peers, as determined by Lipper, and to appropriate benchmarks where applicable. The Board discussed with the Adviser the performance goals and the actual results achieved in managing the Fund. When considering a fund's performance, the Board and the Adviser place emphasis on trends and longer-term returns (focusing on one-year, three-year and five-year performance, as of December 31, 2010, or since inception, as applicable). When a fund underperforms its benchmark and/or its peer group average, the Board and the Adviser discuss the causes of such underperformance and, where necessary, they discuss specific changes to investment strategy or investment personnel. The Board noted that the Fund's performance was better than its peer group average for the three- and five-year periods, but below its peer group average for the one-year period. The Board discussed with the Adviser the level of the advisory and administration fees (together, the "management fee") for this Fund relative to comparable funds and/or other accounts advised by the Adviser and/or compared to its peers as determined by Lipper. In addition to the management fee, the Board also reviewed the Fund's total expense ratio. The Board noted that the Fund's management fee and total expense ratio were lower than its peer group average. After discussion, the Board concluded that the Fund's performance, management fee and total expense ratio were competitive with its peer group average.

### **Economies of Scale**

The Board considered the size and growth prospects of the Fund and how that relates to the Fund's total expense ratio and particularly the Fund's management fee rate, which does not include breakpoints. In conjunction with its review of the Adviser's profitability, the Board discussed with the Adviser how a change in assets can affect the efficiency or effectiveness of managing the Fund and whether the management fee level is appropriate relative to current and projected asset levels and/or whether the management fee structure reflects economies of scale as asset levels change. The Board considered that, with respect to closed-end funds, the assets are not likely to grow with new sales or grow

significantly as a result of capital appreciation. The Board concluded that economies of scale for the Fund were not a factor that needed to be considered at the present time.

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Investment Advisory Agreement Approval (cont'd)

### **Profitability of the Adviser and Affiliates**

The Board considered information concerning the costs incurred and profits realized by the Adviser and its affiliates during the last year from their relationship with the Fund and during the last two years from their relationship with the Morgan Stanley Fund Complex and reviewed with the Adviser the cost allocation methodology used to determine the profitability of the Adviser and affiliates. The Board has determined that its review of the analysis of the Adviser's expenses and profitability supports its decision to approve the Management Agreement.

### **Other Benefits of the Relationship**

The Board considered other benefits to the Adviser and its affiliates derived from their relationship with the Fund and other funds advised by the Adviser. These benefits may include, among other things, "float" benefits derived from handling of checks for purchases and sales, research received by the Adviser generated from commission dollars spent on funds' portfolio trading and fees for distribution and/or shareholder servicing. The Board reviewed with the Adviser each of these arrangements and the reasonableness of the Adviser's costs relative to the services performed. The Board has determined that its review of the other benefits received by the Adviser or its affiliates supports its decision to approve the Management Agreement.

### **Resources of the Adviser and Historical Relationship Between the Fund and the Adviser**

The Board considered whether the Adviser is financially sound and has the resources necessary to perform its obligations under the Management Agreement. The Board also reviewed and considered the historical relationship between the Fund and the Adviser, including the organizational structure of the Adviser, the policies and procedures formulated and adopted by the Adviser for managing the Fund's operations and the Board's confidence in the competence and integrity of the senior managers and key personnel of the Adviser. The Board concluded that the Adviser has the financial resources necessary to fulfill its obligations under the Management Agreement and that it is beneficial for the Fund to continue its relationship with the Adviser.

### **Other Factors and Current Trends**

The Board considered the controls and procedures adopted and implemented by the Adviser and monitored by the Fund's Chief Compliance Officer and concluded that the conduct of business by the Adviser indicates a good faith effort on its part to adhere to high ethical standards in the conduct of the Fund's business.

### **General Conclusion**

After considering and weighing all of the above factors, the Board concluded that it would be in the best interest of the Fund and its shareholders to approve renewal of the Management Agreement for another year. In reaching this conclusion the Board did not give particular weight to any single factor referenced above. The Board considered these factors over the course of numerous meetings, some of which were in executive session with only the independent Board members and their counsel present. It is possible that individual Board members may have weighed these factors differently in reaching their individual decisions to approve the Management Agreement.





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Portfolio of Investments

*(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)*

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
<b>FIXED INCOME SECURITIES (94.4%)</b>		
<b>Argentina (3.9%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (3.9%)</b>		
Argentina Bonos, 7.00%, 10/3/15	\$ 11,199	\$ 11,081
<b>Belarus (0.4%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.4%)</b>		
Republic of Belarus, 8.75%, 8/3/15	1,030	930
8.95%, 1/26/18	380	334
		1,264
<b>Belize (0.2%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.2%)</b>		
Government of Belize, 6.00%, 2/20/29 (a)	770	535
<b>Brazil (11.1%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bonds (2.2%)</b>		
Banco Safra Cayman Islands Ltd., 6.75%, 1/27/21	230	240
6.75%, 1/27/21 (b)	1,360	1,421
Fibra Overseas Finance Ltd., 6.75%, 3/3/21 (b)	1,650	1,737
Odebrecht Finance Ltd., 6.00%, 4/5/23 (b)	2,870	2,867
		6,265
<b>Sovereign (8.9%)</b>		
Banco Nacional de Desenvolvimento Economico e Social, 5.50%, 7/12/20 (b)	1,960	2,085
6.37%, 6/16/18 (b)	1,380	1,552
Brazilian Government International Bond, 5.88%, 1/15/19	8,525	9,910
7.13%, 1/20/37	3,290	4,080
8.88%, 10/14/19	5,504	7,582
		25,209



		31,474
<b>Chile (1.5%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bond (0.7%)</b>		
Banco Santander Chile, 6.50%, 9/22/20	CLP 931,000	1,897
	<b>Face Amount (000)</b>	<b>Value (000)</b>
<b>Sovereign (0.8%)</b>		
Chile Government International Bond, 5.50%, 8/5/20	CLP 1,080,000	\$ 2,331 4,228
<b>Colombia (2.8%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (2.8%)</b>		
Colombia Government International Bond, 7.38%, 3/18/19 (c)	\$ 2,550	3,192
11.75%, 2/25/20	3,015	4,679
		7,871
<b>Croatia (0.5%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.5%)</b>		
Croatia Government International Bond, 6.63%, 7/14/20 (b)	1,340	1,422
<b>Dominican Republic (0.8%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.8%)</b>		
Dominican Republic International Bond, 7.50%, 5/6/21 (b)	590	617
7.50%, 5/6/21	670	700
9.04%, 1/23/18	754	852
		2,169
<b>Ecuador (0.8%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.8%)</b>		
Ecuador Government International Bond, 9.38%, 12/15/15	2,235	2,241
<b>Ghana (1.2%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (1.2%)</b>		
Republic of Ghana, 8.50%, 10/4/17	1,080	1,229
8.50%, 10/4/17 (b)(c)	2,016	2,288
		3,517
<b>India (0.3%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bond (0.3%)</b>		
Reliance Holdings USA, Inc., 6.25%, 10/19/40 (b)	810	750

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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Portfolio of Investments (cont'd)

*(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)*

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
<b>Indonesia (5.4%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bonds (0.4%)</b>		
Pindo Deli Finance BV, Tranche A 3.28%, 4/28/15 (b)(d)(e)(f)	\$ 421	\$ 89
Tranche B 3.28%, 4/28/18 (b)(d)(e)(f)	1,852	211
Tranche C Zero Coupon, 4/28/27 (b)(d)(e)(f)	7,471	269
Tjiwi Kimia Finance BV, Tranche A 3.28%, 4/28/15 (d)(e)(f)	1,404	253
Tranche B 3.28%, 4/28/18 (b)(d)(e)(f)	1,621	185
Tranche C 1.00%, 4/28/27 (b)(d)(e)(f)	3,620	125
		1,132
<b>Sovereign (5.0%)</b>		
Indonesia Government International Bond, 6.88%, 1/17/18	320	376
7.75%, 1/17/38	630	796
7.75%, 1/17/38 (b)	1,353	1,703
11.63%, 3/4/19	1,930	2,854
11.63%, 3/4/19 (b)	2,169	3,208
Majapahit Holding BV, 7.75%, 1/20/20	4,480	5,264
		14,201
		15,333
<b>Ivory Coast (0.3%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.3%)</b>		
Ivory Coast Government International Bond, 2.50%, 12/31/32 (a)(f)	1,563	832
<b>Kazakhstan (4.1%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (4.1%)</b>		
Development Bank of Kazakhstan JSC,	1,250	1,302

5.50%, 12/20/15 (b)(c)		
5.50%, 12/20/15	230	239
Intergas Finance BV, 6.38%, 5/14/17	700	759
	<b>Face Amount (000)</b>	<b>Value (000)</b>
KazMunayGas National Co., 6.38%, 4/9/21 (b)	\$ 2,430	\$ 2,582
6.38%, 4/9/21	440	468
9.13%, 7/2/18	1,930	2,384
9.13%, 7/2/18 (b)	3,080	3,811
		11,545
<b>Lithuania (1.0%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (1.0%)</b>		
Lithuania Government International Bond, 6.13%, 3/9/21 (b)		
	520	554
6.75%, 1/15/15 (b)	160	177
7.38%, 2/11/20	1,790	2,071
		2,802
<b>Malaysia (1.0%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (1.0%)</b>		
Malaysia Government Bond, 3.21%, 5/31/13		
	MYR 8,110	2,691
<b>Mexico (13.3%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bonds (0.8%)</b>		
Cemex SAB de CV, 9.00%, 1/11/18		
	\$ 280	286
9.00%, 1/11/18 (b)	1,900	1,943
		2,229
<b>Sovereign (12.5%)</b>		
Mexican Bonos, 8.00%, 6/11/20		
	MXN 88,082	8,090
Mexico Government International Bond, 5.63%, 1/15/17		
	\$ 419	478
5.95%, 3/19/19 (c)	3,782	4,359
6.05%, 1/11/40	1,760	1,881
6.75%, 9/27/34	4,674	5,457
Pemex Project Funding Master Trust, 6.63%, 6/15/35 - 6/15/38		
	4,316	4,561
8.63%, 12/1/23	1,990	2,452
Petroleos Mexicanos, 5.50%, 1/21/21		
	5,430	5,721
8.00%, 5/3/19 (c)	1,750	2,167
		35,166
		37,395

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Portfolio of Investments (cont'd)

*(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)*

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
<b>Pakistan (0.2%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.2%)</b>		
Republic of Pakistan, 6.88%, 6/1/17	\$ 805	\$ 656
<b>Panama (2.3%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (2.3%)</b>		
Panama Government International Bond, 5.20%, 1/30/20	1,810	1,994
7.13%, 1/29/26	1,140	1,411
8.88%, 9/30/27	483	687
9.38%, 4/1/29	1,569	2,338
		6,430
<b>Peru (2.7%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (2.7%)</b>		
Peruvian Government International Bond, 7.35%, 7/21/25	2,410	2,956
8.75%, 11/21/33	3,340	4,571
		7,527
<b>Philippines (4.5%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (4.5%)</b>		
Philippine Government International Bond, 4.00%, 1/15/21	5,506	5,430
8.38%, 6/17/19	1,491	1,925
8.88%, 3/17/15	669	834
9.50%, 2/2/30	3,072	4,474
		12,663
<b>Russia (13.5%)</b>		
<b>Corporate Bonds (3.0%)</b>		
Novatek Finance Ltd., 6.60%, 2/3/21 (b)	2,380	2,499
Vimpel Communications Via VIP Finance Ireland Ltd. OJSC, 7.75%, 2/2/21 (b)	1,390	1,439
VimpelCom Holdings BV, 7.50%, 3/1/22 (b)	4,420	4,446

8,384

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
<b>Sovereign (10.5%)</b>		
Russian Agricultural Bank OJSC Via RSHB Capital SA, 6.30%, 5/15/17 (b)		
	\$ 2,104	\$ 2,246
7.18%, 5/16/13 (b)		
	2,030	2,192
Russian Foreign Bond - Eurobond, 5.00%, 4/29/20		
	5,400	5,609
7.50%, 3/31/30 (a)(b)		
	1,026	1,213
7.50%, 3/31/30 (a)		
	6,731	7,959
7.85%, 3/10/18 (b)		
	RUB 80,000	3,008
12.75%, 6/24/28		
	\$ 4,225	7,499
		29,726
		38,110
<b>Senegal (0.2%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.2%)</b>		
Senegal Government International Bond, 8.75%, 5/13/21 (b)		
	480	496
<b>South Africa (1.3%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (1.3%)</b>		
Eskom Holdings Ltd., 5.75%, 1/26/21 (b)		
	3,556	3,698
<b>Sri Lanka (0.4%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.4%)</b>		
Sri Lanka Government International Bond, 6.25%, 10/4/20 (b)		
	650	653
6.25%, 10/4/20		
	550	553
		1,206
<b>Turkey (7.6%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (7.6%)</b>		
Turkey Government International Bond, 5.63%, 3/30/21		
	2,150	2,257
6.75%, 5/30/40		
	3,080	3,334
6.88%, 3/17/36		
	2,904	3,209
7.00%, 3/11/19		
	3,490	4,031
7.50%, 7/14/17 - 11/7/19		
	3,266	3,872
8.00%, 2/14/34		
	1,360	1,693
11.88%, 1/15/30		
	1,771	3,020
		21,416

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Portfolio of Investments (cont'd)

*(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)*

	<b>Face Amount (000)</b>	<b>Value (000)</b>
<b>Ukraine (4.0%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (4.0%)</b>		
Ukraine Government		
International Bond,		
6.58%, 11/21/16	\$ 2,849	\$ 2,877
6.75%, 11/14/17	4,580	4,643
7.75%, 9/23/20 (b)	1,700	1,768
7.75%, 9/23/20	1,930	2,007
		11,295
<b>Uruguay (0.3%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (0.3%)</b>		
Uruguay Government		
International Bond,		
8.00%, 11/18/22	589	765
<b>Venezuela (8.8%)</b>		
<b>Sovereign (8.8%)</b>		
Petroleos de Venezuela SA,		
8.50%, 11/2/17	17,640	13,168
Venezuela Government		
International Bond,		
6.00%, 12/9/20	1,340	841
7.00%, 3/31/38	1,761	1,030
7.65%, 4/21/25	2,850	1,860
9.00%, 5/7/23	600	436
9.25%, 9/15/27 (c)	10,050	7,623
		24,958
<b>TOTAL FIXED INCOME</b>		
<b>SECURITIES</b> (Cost \$252,877)		266,370
	<b>No. of Warrants</b>	
<b>WARRANTS (0.2%)</b>		
<b>Nigeria (0.1%)</b>		
Central Bank of Nigeria,		
expires 11/15/20 (d)(e)	2,250	405
<b>Venezuela (0.1%)</b>		
Venezuela, Oil-Linked		
Payment Obligation,		
expires 4/15/20 (d)(e)	5,450	151

**TOTAL WARRANTS** (Cost \$ ) 556

	Shares	Value (000)
<b>SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS (5.4%)</b>		
<b>Securities held as Collateral on Loaned Securities (3.0%)</b>		
<b>Investment Company (2.4%)</b>		
Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class (See Note F)	6,885,547	\$ 6,886
	<b>Face Amount (000)</b>	
<b>Repurchase Agreements (0.6%)</b>		
Barclays Capital, Inc., (0.01%, dated 6/30/11, due 7/1/11; proceeds \$98; fully collateralized by a U.S. Government Obligation; U.S. Treasury Note 3.38% due 11/15/19; valued at \$100)	\$ 98	98
Nomura Holdings, Inc., (0.09%, dated 6/30/11, due 7/1/11; proceeds \$1,561; fully collateralized by U.S. Government Agencies; Federal National Mortgage Association 4.50% - 6.50% due 8/1/36 - 9/1/40; valued at \$1,592)	1,561	1,561
		1,659
<b>TOTAL SECURITIES HELD AS COLLATERAL ON LOANED SECURITIES</b> (Cost \$8,545)		
	<b>Shares</b>	8,545
<b>Investment Company (2.4%)</b>		
Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class (See Note F) (Cost \$6,920)	6,920,427	6,920
<b>TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS</b> (Cost \$15,465)		
		15,465
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS (100.0%)</b> (Cost \$268,342) Including \$8,479 of Securities Loaned (g)		
		282,391
<b>LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS</b>		
		(8,069)

**NET ASSETS**

\$ 274,322

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Portfolio of Investments (cont'd)

(a) Step Bond Coupon rate increases in increments to maturity. Rate disclosed is as of June 30, 2011. Maturity date disclosed is the final maturity date.

(b) 144A security Certain conditions for public sale may exist. Unless otherwise noted, these securities are deemed to be liquid.

(c) All or a portion of this security was on loan at June 30, 2011.

(d) Variable/Floating Rate Security Interest rate changes on these instruments are based on changes in a designated base rate. The rates shown are those in effect on June 30, 2011.

(e) Security has been deemed illiquid at June 30, 2011.

(f) Issuer is in default.

(g) Securities have been designated as collateral in connection with open foreign currency exchange contracts.

#### Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts Information:

The Fund had the following foreign currency exchange contract(s) open at period end:

Counterparty	Currency to Deliver (000)	Value (000)	Settlement Date	In Exchange For (000)	Value (000)	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) (000)
JPMorgan Chase Bank	USD 5,476	\$ 5,476	7/11/11	KRW 5,927,133	\$ 5,549	\$ 73
JPMorgan Chase Bank	USD 2,893	2,893	7/11/11	THB 87,743	2,855	(38)
JPMorgan Chase Bank	USD 1,515	1,515	7/25/11	CLP 716,345	1,529	14
		\$ 9,884			\$ 9,933	\$ 49

CLP Chilean Peso

KRW South Korean Won

MXN Mexican New Peso

MYR Malaysian Ringgit

RUB Russian Ruble

THB Thai Baht

USD United States Dollar

**Fair Value Measurement Information:**

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's net assets as of June 30, 2011. (See Note A-6 to the financial statements for further information regarding fair value measurement.)

<b>Investment Type</b>	<b>Level 1</b> Unadjusted quoted prices (000)	<b>Level 2</b> Other significant observable inputs (000)	<b>Level 3</b> Significant unobservable inputs (000)	<b>Total</b> (000)
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Fixed Income Securities</b>				
Corporate Bonds	\$	\$ 20,657	\$	\$ 20,657
Sovereign		245,713		245,713
<b>Total Fixed Income Securities</b>		<b>266,370</b>		<b>266,370</b>
<b>Warrants</b>		556		556
<b>Short-Term Investments</b>				
Investment Company	13,806			13,806
Repurchase Agreements		1,659		1,659
<b>Total Short-Term Investments</b>	<b>13,806</b>	<b>1,659</b>		<b>15,465</b>
Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts		87		87
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>13,806</b>	<b>268,672</b>		<b>282,478</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts		(38)		(38)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,806</b>	<b>\$ 268,634</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 282,440</b>

Transfers between investment levels may occur as the markets fluctuate and/or the availability of data used in an investment's valuation changes. The Fund recognizes transfers between the levels as of the end of the period. As of June 30, 2011, the Fund did not have any significant investments transfer between investment levels.

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Portfolio of Investments (cont'd)

**Portfolio Composition\* +**

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Investments</b>
Sovereign	89.7%
Corporate Bonds	7.6
Other**	2.7
Total Investments	100.0%

\* Percentages indicated are based upon total investments (excluding Securities held as collateral on Loaned Securities) as of June 30, 2011.

\*\* Industries and/or investment types representing less than 5% of total investments.

+ Does not include open foreign currency exchange contracts with unrealized appreciation of approximately \$49,000.

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Financial Statements

	<b>June 30, 2011</b> <b>(unaudited)</b> <b>(000)</b>
Statement of Assets and Liabilities	
<b>Assets:</b>	
Investments in Securities of Unaffiliated Issuers, at Value(1) (Cost \$254,536)	\$ 268,585
Investment in Security of Affiliated Issuer, at Value (Cost \$13,806)	13,806
Total Investments in Securities, at Value (Cost \$268,342)	282,391
Foreign Currency, at Value (Cost \$595)	609
Cash	@
Interest Receivable	4,509
Receivable for Lehman Brothers Closed Reverse Repurchase Transactions	263
Unrealized Appreciation on Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	87
Receivable from Affiliate	1
Other Assets	40
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>287,900</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Collateral on Securities Loaned, at Value	8,545
Dividends Declared	4,659
Payable for Investment Advisory Fees	227
Payable for Professional Fees	56
Unrealized Depreciation on Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	38
Payable for Custodian Fees	7
Payable for Administration Fees	7
Payable for Directors' Fees and Expenses	4
Payable for Stockholder Servicing Agent Fees	2
Other Liabilities	33
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>13,578</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	
Applicable to 23,669,536 Issued and Outstanding \$.01 Par Value Shares (100,000,000 Shares Authorized)	\$ 274,322
<b>Net Asset Value Per Share</b>	<b>\$ 11.59</b>
<b>Net Assets Consist of:</b>	
Common Stock	\$ 237
Paid-in-Capital	265,049
Distributions in Excess of Net Investment Income	(400)
Accumulated Net Realized Loss	(4,677)
Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) on:	

Investments	14,049
Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	49
Foreign Currency Translations	15
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 274,322</b>
<b>(1) Including:</b>	
Securities on Loan, at Value:	\$ 8,479

@ Amount is less than \$500.

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	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (unaudited) (000)</b>
Statement of Operations	
<b>Investment Income:</b>	
Interest from Securities of Unaffiliated Issuers (Net of \$21 Foreign Taxes Withheld)	\$ 8,541
Dividends from Securities of Unaffiliated Issuers	50
Dividends from Security of Affiliated Issuer	25
<b>Total Investment Income</b>	<b>8,616</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Investment Advisory Fees (Note B)	1,346
Administration Fees (Note C)	120
Professional Fees	60
Stockholder Reporting Expenses	28
Custodian Fees (Note D)	24
Directors' Fees and Expenses	4
Stockholder Servicing Agent Fees	3
Other Expenses	32
<b>Expenses Before Non Operating Expenses</b>	<b>1,617</b>
Interest Expense on Reverse Repurchase Agreements	6
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,623</b>
Waiver of Administration Fees (Note C)	(75)
Rebate from Morgan Stanley Affiliate (Note F)	(3)
<b>Net Expenses</b>	<b>1,545</b>
<b>Net Investment Income</b>	<b>7,071</b>
<b>Realized Gain (Loss):</b>	
Investments Sold	17
Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	594
Foreign Currency Transactions	2
Futures Contracts	(70)
<b>Net Realized Gain</b>	<b>543</b>
<b>Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation):</b>	
Investments	5,473
Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	(177)
Foreign Currency Translations	12
Futures Contracts	449
<b>Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)</b>	<b>5,757</b>
<b>Net Realized Gain (Loss) and Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)</b>	<b>6,300</b>
<b>Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations</b>	<b>\$ 13,371</b>

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Financial Statements (cont'd)

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (unaudited) (000)</b>	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2010 (000)</b>
Statements of Changes in Net Assets		
<b>Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets:</b>		
Operations:		
Net Investment Income	\$ 7,071	\$ 17,453
Net Realized Gain	543	16,090
Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	5,757	(6,118)
<b>Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Operations</b>	<b>13,371</b>	<b>27,425</b>
Distributions from and/or in Excess of:		
Net Investment Income	(7,574)	(15,611)
Net Realized Gain	(872)	(7,294)
<b>Total Distributions</b>	<b>(8,446)</b>	<b>(22,905)</b>
Capital Share Transactions:		
Issued due to Tax-Free Reorganization (0 and 2,726,211 shares)		30,428
<b>Net Increase in Net Assets Resulting from Capital Share Transactions</b>		<b>30,428</b>
<b>Total Increase</b>	<b>4,925</b>	<b>34,948</b>
<b>Net Assets:</b>		
Beginning of Period	269,397	234,449
<b>End of Period (Including (Distributions in Excess of) Undistributed Net Investment Income of \$(400) and \$103)</b>	<b>\$ 274,322</b>	<b>\$ 269,397</b>

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Financial Highlights

*Selected Per Share Data and Ratios*

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30, 2011 (unaudited)</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>Year Ended December 31,</b>		<b>2007</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period</b>	\$ 11.38	\$ 11.19	\$ 8.79	\$ 11.27	\$ 11.19	\$ 11.19	\$ 10.80
Net Investment Income†	0.30	0.74	0.76	0.65	0.69	0.69	0.67
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	0.27	0.42	2.27	(2.32)	0.03	0.03	0.49
Total from Investment Operations	0.57	1.16	3.03	(1.67)	0.72	0.72	1.16
Distributions from and/or in excess of:							
Net Investment Income	(0.32)	(0.66)	(0.64)	(0.86)	(0.66)	(0.66)	(0.77)
Net Realized Gain	(0.04)	(0.31)					
Total Distributions	(0.36)	(0.97)					
Anti-Dilutive Effect of Share Repurchase Program			0.01	0.05	0.02		
<b>Net Asset Value,</b>	<b>\$ 11.59</b>	<b>\$ 11.38</b>	<b>\$ 11.19</b>	<b>\$ 8.79</b>	<b>\$ 11.27</b>	<b>\$ 11.19</b>	<b>\$ 11.19</b>

End of Period	Per Share	Market Value, End of Period										
	\$	10.62	\$	10.48	\$	10.08	\$	7.07	\$	9.70	\$	10.84
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENT RETURN:</b>												
Market Value		4.80%#		13.58%		52.55%		(18.74)%		(4.52)%		7.38%
Net Asset Value(1)		5.32%#		11.00%		36.18%		(12.95)%		7.46%		11.66%
<b>RATIOS, SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:</b>												
Net Assets, End of Period (Thousands)		\$ 22		\$ 269,397		\$ 234,449		\$ 185,706		\$ 245,831		\$ 246,684
Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets(2)		1.14%+*		1.19%+		1.21%+		1.23%+		1.29%+		1.34%
Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets Excluding Non Operating Expenses		1.14%+*		1.13%+		1.13%+		1.15%+		1.10%+		1.16%
Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets(2)		5.24%+*		6.35%+		7.54%+		6.19%+		6.11%+		6.12%
		0.00%*§		0.00%§		0.00%§		0.00%§		0.00%§		N/A

Ratio of Rebate from Morgan Stanley Affiliates to Average Net Assets Portfolio Turnover Rate	32%#	105%	83%	64%	56%	44%
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**(2) Supplemental Information on the Ratios to Average Net Assets:**

Ratios Before Expenses Waived by Administrator:

Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets	1.20%*	1.23%+	1.26%+	1.28%+	1.34%+	1.38%
Ratio of Net Investment Income to Average Net Assets	5.18%*	6.31%+	7.49%+	6.14%+	6.06%+	6.08%

(1) Total investment return based on net asset value per share reflects the effects of changes in net asset value on the performance of the Fund during each period, and assumes dividends and distributions, if any, were reinvested. This percentage is not an indication of the performance of a stockholder's investment in the Fund based on market value due to differences between the market price of the stock and the net asset value per share of the Fund.

† Per share amount is based on average shares outstanding.

+ The Ratios of Expenses and Net Investment Income reflect the rebate of certain Fund expenses in connection with the investments in Morgan Stanley affiliates during the period. The effect of the rebate on the ratios is disclosed in the above table as "Ratio of Rebate from Morgan Stanley Affiliates to Average Net Assets."

§ Amount is less than 0.005%.

# Not Annualized.



\* Annualized.

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## Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.

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## Notes to Financial Statements

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") was incorporated in Maryland on May 6, 1993, and is registered as a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The Fund's primary investment objective is to produce high current income and as a secondary objective, to seek capital appreciation, through investments primarily in debt securities of government and government-related issuers located in emerging countries, of entities organized to restructure outstanding debt of such issuers and debt securities of corporate issuers in or organized under the laws of emerging countries. To the extent that the Fund invests in derivative instruments that the Adviser believes have economic characteristics similar to debt securities of government and government-related issuers located in emerging market countries and of entities organized to restructure outstanding debt of such issuers, such investments will be counted for purposes of the Fund's policy in the previous sentence. To the extent the Fund makes such investments, the Fund will be subject to the risks of such derivative instruments as described herein.

On February 1, 2010, the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. acquired the net assets of Morgan Stanley Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. ("MGB"), a closed-end investment company, pursuant to a plan of reorganization approved by the Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. shareholders on November 18, 2009. The purpose of the transaction was to combine two funds managed by Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. with comparable investment objectives and strategies. The acquisition was accomplished by a tax-free exchange of 2,726,221 shares of the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. shares, valued at approximately \$30,428,000 including \$554,000 in unrealized appreciation, for 4,085,596 shares of the Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. at February 1, 2010. The investment portfolio of Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc., with a fair value of approximately \$26,196,000 and identified cost of approximately \$25,642,000 on February 1, 2010, was the principal asset acquired by the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. For financial reporting purposes, assets received and shares issued by the the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. were recorded at fair value; however, the cost basis of the investments received from Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. was carried forward to align ongoing reporting of the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. realized and unrealized gains and losses with amounts distributable to shareholders for tax purposes. Immediately prior to the reorganization, the net assets of the Emerging Market Debt Fund, Inc. were approximately \$233,825,000. Immediately after the merger, the net assets of the Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc. were approximately \$264,250,000. Because the combined investment portfolios have been managed as a single integrated portfolio since the acquisition was completed, it is not practicable to separate the amounts of revenue and earnings of Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. that have been included in Emerging Market Debt Fund, Inc. Statement of Operations.

Assuming the acquisition had been completed on January 1, 2010, the beginning of the annual reporting period of the Fund, the Fund's pro forma results of operations for the year ended December 31, 2010, are as follows:

Net Investment Income(1)	\$ 17,608,000
Net gain (loss) on investments(2)	\$ 16,714,000
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 34,322,000

(1) \$17,453,000 as reported, plus \$186,000 Morgan Stanley Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. premerger, plus \$31,000 of estimated pro-forma eliminated expenses.

(2) \$16,090,000 as reported, plus \$624,000 Morgan Stanley Global Opportunity Bond Fund, Inc. premerger.

**A. Significant Accounting Policies:** The following significant accounting policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). Such policies are consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. U.S. GAAP may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts

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and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

**1. Security Valuation:** Bonds and other fixed income securities may be valued according to the broadest and most representative market. In addition, bonds and other fixed income securities may be valued on the basis of prices provided by a pricing service. The prices provided by a pricing service take into account broker dealer market price quotations for institutional size trading in similar groups of securities, security quality, maturity, coupon and other security characteristics as well as any developments related to the specific securities. Securities listed on a foreign exchange are valued at their closing price. Unlisted securities and listed securities not traded on the valuation date for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the mean between the current bid and ask prices. Equity securities listed on a U.S. exchange are valued at the latest quoted sales price on the valuation date. Equity securities listed or traded on NASDAQ, for which market quotations are available, are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price. Short-term debt securities purchased with remaining maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, unless the Board of Directors (the "Directors") determines such valuation does not reflect the securities' market value, in which case these securities will be valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under procedures adopted by the Directors.

All other securities and investments for which market values are not readily available, including restricted securities, and those securities for which it is inappropriate to determine prices in accordance with the aforementioned procedures, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under procedures adopted by the Directors, although the actual calculations may be done by others. Factors considered in making this determination may include, but are not limited to, information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange (for exchange-traded securities), analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents and, if necessary, available information concerning other securities in similar circumstances.

Most foreign markets close before the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"). Occasionally, developments that could affect the closing prices of securities and other assets may occur between the times at which valuations of such securities are determined (that is, close of the foreign market on which the securities trade) and the close of business on the NYSE. If these developments are expected to materially affect the value of the securities, the valuations may be adjusted to reflect the estimated fair value as of the close of the NYSE, as determined in good faith under procedures established by the Directors.

**2. Reverse Repurchase Agreements:** The Fund may enter into reverse repurchase agreements with institutions that the Fund's investment adviser has determined are creditworthy. Under a reverse repurchase agreement, the Fund sells securities and agrees to repurchase them at a mutually agreed upon date and price. Reverse repurchase agreements involve the risk that the market value of the securities purchased with the proceeds from the sale of securities received by the Fund may decline below the price of the securities the Fund is obligated to repurchase. Reverse repurchase agreements also involve credit risk with the counterparty to the extent that the value of securities subject to repurchase exceeds the Fund's liability under the reverse repurchase agreement. Securities subject to repurchase under reverse repurchase agreements, if any, are designated as such in the Portfolio of Investments. At June 30, 2011, the Fund did not have any outstanding reverse repurchase agreements.

**3. Foreign Currency Translation:** The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign



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currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars at the mean of the bid and ask prices of such currencies against U.S. dollars last quoted by a major bank as follows:

investments, other assets and liabilities at the prevailing rate of exchange on the valuation date;

investment transactions and investment income at the prevailing rates of exchange on the dates of such transactions.

Although the net assets of the Fund are presented at the foreign exchange rates and market values at the close of the period, the Fund does not isolate that portion of the results of operations arising as a result of changes in the foreign exchange rates from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of securities held at period end. Similarly, the Fund does not isolate the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from the fluctuations arising from changes in the market prices of securities sold during the period. Accordingly, realized and unrealized foreign currency gains (losses) on investments in securities are included in the reported net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment transactions and balances. However, pursuant to U.S. Federal income tax regulations, gains and losses from certain foreign currency transactions and the foreign currency portion of gains and losses realized on sales and maturities of foreign denominated debt securities are treated as ordinary income for U.S. Federal income tax purposes.

Net realized gains (losses) on foreign currency transactions represent net foreign exchange gains (losses) from foreign currency exchange contracts, disposition of foreign currencies, currency gains (losses) realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the amount of investment income and foreign withholding taxes recorded on the Fund's books and the U.S. dollar equivalent amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized currency gains (losses) from valuing foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities at period end exchange rates are reflected as a component of unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The change in unrealized currency gains (losses) for the period is reflected in the Statement of Operations.

A significant portion of the Fund's net assets consist of securities of issuers located in emerging markets, which are denominated in foreign currencies. Such investments may be concentrated in a limited number of countries and regions and may vary throughout the year. Changes in currency exchange rates will affect the value of and investment income from foreign currency denominated securities. Emerging market securities are often subject to greater price volatility, limited capitalization and liquidity, and higher rates of inflation than U.S. securities. In addition, emerging market securities may be subject to substantial governmental involvement in the economy and greater social, economic and political uncertainty.

**4. Derivatives:** The Fund may use derivative instruments for a variety of purposes, including hedging, risk management, portfolio management or to earn income. Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is based on the value of another underlying asset, interest rate, index or financial instrument. A derivative instrument often has risks similar to its underlying instrument and may have additional risks, including imperfect correlation between the value of the derivative and the underlying instrument, risks of default by the other party to certain transactions, magnification of losses incurred due to changes in the market value of the securities, instruments, indices or interest rates to which they relate, and risks that the transactions may not be liquid. The use of derivatives involves risks that are different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with other portfolio investments. Derivatives may

involve the use of highly specialized



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instruments that require investment techniques and risk analyses different from those associated with other portfolio investments. All of the Fund's holdings, including derivative instruments, are marked to market each day with the change in value reflected in unrealized appreciation (depreciation). Upon disposition, a realized gain or loss is recognized.

Certain derivative transactions may give rise to a form of leverage. Leverage associated with derivative transactions may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so to satisfy its obligations or to meet earmarking or segregation requirements, pursuant to applicable Securities and Exchange Commission rules and regulations, or may cause the Fund to be more volatile than if the Fund had not been leveraged. Although the Investment Adviser seeks to use derivatives to further the Fund's investment objectives, there is no assurance that the use of derivatives will achieve this result.

Following is a description of the derivative instruments and techniques that the Fund used during the period and their associated risks:

**Futures:** A futures contract is a standardized agreement between two parties to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specific price at a specific future time. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of the underlying instrument. Futures contracts are bilateral agreements, with both the purchaser and the seller equally obligated to complete the transaction. Depending on the terms of the particular contract, futures contracts are settled through either physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date. During the period the futures contract is open, payments are received from or made to the broker based upon changes in the value of the contract (the variation margin). The risk of loss associated with a futures contract is in excess of the variation margin reflected as part of "Due from (to) Broker" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. A decision as to whether, when and how to use futures involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well conceived futures transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. In addition to the derivatives risks discussed above, the prices of futures can be highly volatile, using futures can lower total return, and the potential loss from futures can exceed the Fund's initial investment in such contracts.

**Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts:** In connection with its investments in foreign securities, the Fund also entered into contracts with banks, brokers or dealers to purchase or sell foreign currencies at a future date. A foreign currency exchange contract ("currency contracts") is a negotiated agreement between the contracting parties to exchange a specified amount of currency at a specified future time at a specified rate. The rate can be higher or lower than the spot rate between the currencies that are the subject of the contract. Currency contracts are used to protect against uncertainty in the level of future foreign currency exchange rates or to gain or modify exposure to a particular currency. Hedging the Fund's currency risks involves the risk of mismatching the Fund's objectives under a forward currency contract with the value of securities denominated in a particular currency. Furthermore, such transactions reduce or preclude the opportunity for gain if the value of the currency should move in the direction opposite to the position taken. There is an additional risk to the effect that currency contracts create exposure to currencies in which the Fund's securities are not denominated. Unanticipated changes in currency prices may result in poorer overall performance for the Fund than if it had not entered into such currency



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contracts. A currency contract is marked-to-market daily and the change in market value is recorded by the Fund as unrealized gain or (loss). The Fund records realized gains (losses) when the contract is closed equal to the difference between the value of the currency contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it was closed.

Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification(TM) ("ASC") 815, "Derivatives and Hedging: Overall" ("ASC 815"), is intended to improve financial reporting about derivative instruments by requiring enhanced disclosures to enable investors to better understand how and why the Fund uses derivative instruments, how these derivative instruments are accounted for and their effects on the Fund's financial position and results of operations.

The following table sets forth the fair value of the Fund's derivative contracts by primary risk exposure as of June 30, 2011.

<b>Primary Risk Exposure</b>	<b>Statement of Assets and Liabilities</b>	<b>Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts (000)</b>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Currency Risk	Receivables	\$ 87
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Currency Risk	Payables	\$ (38)

The following tables set forth by primary risk exposure the Fund's realized gains (losses) and change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) by type of derivative contract for the six months ended June 30, 2011 in accordance with ASC 815.

<b>Primary Risk Exposure</b>	<b>Realized Gain (Loss) Derivative Type</b>	<b>Value (000)</b>
Currency Risk	Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	\$ 594
Interest Rate Risk	Futures Contracts	(70)
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 524</b>
<b>Primary Risk Exposure</b>	<b>Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) Derivative Type</b>	<b>Value (000)</b>
Currency Risk	Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	\$ (177)
Interest Rate Risk	Futures Contracts	449
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 272</b>

For the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Fund's average monthly principal amount of foreign exchange contracts was \$24,216,000 and the average monthly original value of futures contracts was \$8,455,000.

**5. Security Lending:** The Fund lends securities to qualified financial institutions, such as broker-dealers, to earn additional income. Any increase or decrease in the fair value of the securities loaned that might occur and any interest earned or dividends declared on those securities during the term of the loan would remain in the Fund. The Fund would receive cash or securities as collateral in an amount equal to or exceeding 100% of the current fair value of the loaned securities. The collateral is marked to market daily, by the securities lending agent, to ensure that a minimum of 100% collateral coverage is maintained.

Based on pre-established guidelines, the securities lending agent invests any cash collateral that is received in an affiliated money market portfolio and repurchase agreements. Securities lending income is generated from the earnings on the invested collateral and borrowing fees, less any rebates owed to the borrowers and compensation to the lending agent, and is included in the Fund's

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Statement of Operations in affiliated dividend income and interest income. Risks in securities lending transactions are that a borrower may not provide additional collateral when required or return the securities when due, and that the value of the short-term investments will be less than the amount of cash collateral plus any rebate that is required to be returned to the borrower.

The value of loaned securities and related collateral outstanding at June 30, 2011 were approximately \$8,479,000 and \$8,545,000, respectively. The Fund received cash collateral of approximately \$8,545,000 which was subsequently invested in Repurchase Agreements and Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds as reported in the Fund of Investments. For the six months ended June 30, 2011, the Fund had income from securities lending (after rebates to borrowers and allocation to the securities lending agent) of approximately \$21,000.

**6. Fair Value Measurement:** FASB ASC 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures" ("ASC 820"), defines fair value as the value that the Fund would receive to sell an investment or pay to transfer a liability in a timely transaction with an independent buyer in the principal market, or in the absence of a principal market the most advantageous market for the investment or liability. ASC 820 establishes a three-tier hierarchy to distinguish between (1) inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in valuing an asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs) and (2) inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in valuing an asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs) and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. The inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below.

- Level 1 unadjusted 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. Factors considered in making this determination may include, but are not limited to, information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange (for exchange-traded securities), analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents and, if necessary, available information concerning other securities in similar circumstances

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities and the determination of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each security.

In May 2011, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-04. The amendments in this update are the results of the work of FASB and the International Accounting Standards Board to develop common requirements for measuring fair value and for disclosing information about fair value measurements, which are effective during interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Consequently, these amendments improve the comparability of fair value measurements presented and disclosed in the financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards.



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**7. Other:** Security transactions are accounted for on the date the securities are purchased or sold. Realized gains (losses) on the sale of investment securities are determined on the specific identified cost basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis except where collection is in doubt and is recorded net of foreign withholding tax. Dividend income and distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date (except certain dividends which may be recorded as soon as the Fund is informed of such dividends) net of applicable withholding taxes.

**B. Investment Advisory Fees:** Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. (the "U.S. Adviser" or "MS Investment Management") provides investment advisory services to the Fund under the terms of an Investment Advisory and Management Agreement (the "Agreement"). Under the Agreement, the Adviser is paid a fee computed weekly and payable monthly at an annual rate of 1.00% of the Fund's average weekly net assets.

**C. Administration Fees:** MS Investment Management also serves as Administrator to the Fund pursuant to an Administration Agreement. Under the Administration Agreement, the administration fee is 0.08% of the Fund's average weekly net assets. MS Investment Management has agreed to limit the administration fee through a waiver so that it will be no greater than the previous administration fee (prior to November 1, 2004) of 0.02435% of the Fund's average weekly net assets plus \$24,000 per annum. This waiver is voluntary and may be terminated at any time. For the six months ended June 30, 2011, approximately \$75,000 of administration fees were waived pursuant to this arrangement. Under a sub-administration agreement between the Administrator and State Street Bank and Trust Company ("State Street"), State Street provides certain administrative services to the Fund. For such services, the Administrator pays State Street a portion of the fee the Administrator receives from the Fund.

**D. Custodian Fees:** State Street (the "Custodian") and its affiliates serve as Custodian for the Fund. The Custodian holds cash, securities, and other assets of the Fund as required by the 1940 Act. Custody fees are payable monthly based on assets held in custody, investment purchases and sales activity and account maintenance fees, plus reimbursement for certain out-of-pocket expenses.

The Fund has entered into an arrangement with its Custodian whereby credits realized on uninvested cash balances were used to offset a portion of the Fund's expenses. If applicable, these custodian credits are shown as "Expense Offset" in the Statement of Operations.

**E. Federal Income Taxes:** It is the Fund's intention to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company and distribute all of its taxable income. Accordingly, no provision for Federal income taxes is required in the financial statements. Distributions to stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

The Fund may be subject to taxes imposed by countries in which it invests. Such taxes are generally based on income and/or capital gains earned or repatriated. Taxes are accrued and applied to net investment income, net realized gains and net unrealized appreciation as such income and/or gains are earned.

FASB ASC 740-10 "Income Taxes - Overall" sets forth a minimum threshold for financial statement recognition of the benefit of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. Management has concluded there are no significant uncertain tax positions that would require recognition in the financial statements. If applicable, the Fund recognizes interest accrued related to unrecognized tax benefits in "Interest Expense" and penalties in "Other Expenses" on the Statement of Operations. The Fund files tax returns with the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, New

York and various states. Generally, each of the tax years filed in the four year period ended December 31, 2010, remains subject to examination by taxing authorities.



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The tax character of distributions paid may differ from the character of distributions shown on the Statements of Changes in Net Assets due to short-term capital gains being treated as ordinary income for tax purposes.

The tax character of distributions paid during fiscal 2010 and 2009 was as follows:

2010 Distributions Paid From:		2009 Distributions Paid From:	
Ordinary Income (000)	Long-Term Capital Gain (000)	Ordinary Income (000)	Long-Term Capital Gain (000)
\$ 15,611	\$ 7,294	\$ 13,364	\$

The amount and character of income and capital gain distributions to be paid by the Fund are determined in accordance with Federal income tax regulations, which may differ from U.S. GAAP. These book/tax differences are considered either temporary or permanent in nature.

Temporary differences are attributable to differing book and tax treatments for the timing of the recognition of gains (losses) on certain investment transactions and the timing of the deductibility of certain expenses.

Permanent differences, primarily due to differing treatments of gains (losses) related to foreign currency transactions, paydown adjustments, expiring capital losses, and basis adjustments for securities sold resulted in the following reclassifications among the components of net assets at December 31, 2010:

Undistributed (Distributions in Excess of) Net Investment Income (Loss) (000)	Accumulated Net Realized Gain (Loss) (000)	Paid-in Capital (000)
\$ 72	\$ (5,230)	\$ 5,158

At December 31, 2010, the components of distributable earnings for the Fund on a tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed Ordinary Income (000)	Undistributed Long-Term Capital Gain (000)
\$ 4,773	\$ 872

At June 30, 2011, the U.S. Federal income tax cost basis of investments was approximately \$268,342,000 and, accordingly, net unrealized for U.S. Federal income tax purposes was \$14,049,000 of which \$20,647,000 related to appreciated securities and \$6,598,000 related to depreciated securities.

At December 31, 2010, the Fund had a capital loss carryforward for U.S. Federal income tax purposes of approximately \$3,659,000 to offset against future capital gains of which \$1,900,000 will expire on December 31, 2015 and \$1,759,000 will expire on December 31, 2016.

During the year ended December 31, 2010, the Fund had utilized and expired capital loss carryforward for U.S. Federal income tax purposes of approximately \$6,361,000 and \$4,438,000, respectively.

To the extent that capital loss carryforwards are used to offset any future capital gains realized during the carryforward period as provided by U.S. Federal income tax regulations, no capital gains tax liability will be incurred by the Fund for gains realized and not distributed. To the extent that capital gains are offset, such gains will not be distributed to the stockholders.

**F. Security Transactions and Transactions with Affiliates:** For the six months ended June 30, 2011, purchases and sales of investment securities, other than long-term U.S. Government securities and short-term investments, were approximately \$85,987,000 and \$87,357,000, respectively.

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The Fund invests in the Institutional Class of the Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds Money Market Portfolio (the "Liquidity Funds"), an open-end management investment company managed by the Adviser, both directly, and as a portion of the securities held as collateral on loaned securities. Investment Advisory fees paid by the Fund are reduced by an amount equal to its pro-rata share of the advisory and administration fees paid by the Fund due to its investment in the Liquidity Funds. For the six months ended June 30, 2011, advisory fees paid were reduced by approximately \$3,000 relating to the Fund's investment in the Liquidity Funds.

A summary of the Fund's transactions in shares of the Liquidity Funds during the six months ended June 30, 2011 is as follows:

Value December 31, 2010 (000)	Purchases at Cost (000)	Sales Proceeds (000)	Dividend Income (000)	Value June 30, 2011 (000)
\$ 33,037	\$ 61,658	\$ 80,889	\$ 4	\$ 13,806

These investments may be traded by one market maker who may also be utilized by the Fund to provide pricing information used to value such securities. The amounts which will be realized upon disposition of the securities may differ from the value reflected on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities and the differences could be material.

**G. Other:** On June 19, 2007, the Directors approved a share repurchase program for purposes of enhancing shareholder value and reducing the discount at which the Fund's shares trade from their asset value. Since the inception of the program, the Fund has repurchased 1,103,366 of its shares at an average discount of 15.74% from net asset value per share. The Fund expects to continue to repurchase its outstanding shares at such time and in such amounts as it believes will further the accomplishment of the foregoing objectives, subject to review by the Directors.

**H. Results of Annual Meeting of Stockholders:** On June 30, 2011, an annual meeting of the Fund's stockholders was held for the purpose of voting on the following matter, the results of which were as follows:

Election of Directors by all stockholders:

	For	Withheld
Kathleen A. Dennis	20,441,881	1,544,775
Joseph J. Kearns	20,448,025	1,538,631
Michael E. Nugent	20,416,509	1,570,147
Fergus Reid	20,423,924	1,562,732

**I. Indemnifications:** The Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. However, the Fund has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.



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### **For More Information About Portfolio Holdings**

The Fund provides a complete schedule of portfolio holdings in its semi-annual and annual reports within 60 days of the end of the Fund's second and fourth fiscal quarters. The semi-annual reports and the annual reports are filed electronically with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on Form N-CSRS and Form N-CSR, respectively. Morgan Stanley also delivers the semi-annual and annual reports to Fund stockholders and makes these reports available on its public website, [www.morganstanley.com/im](http://www.morganstanley.com/im). Each Morgan Stanley fund also files a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC for the Fund's first and third fiscal quarters on Form N-Q. Morgan Stanley does not deliver the reports for the first and third fiscal quarters to stockholders, nor are the reports posted to the Morgan Stanley public website. You may, however, obtain the Form N-Q filings (as well as the Form N-CSR and N-CSRS filings) by accessing the SEC's website, [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). You may also review and copy them at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the SEC's Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC toll free at 1(800) SEC-0330. You can also request copies of these materials, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by electronic request at the SEC's e-mail address ([publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov)) or by writing the public reference section of the SEC, Washington, DC 20549-0102.

In addition to filing a complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the SEC each fiscal quarter, the Fund makes portfolio holdings information available by periodically providing the information on its public website, [www.morganstanley.com/im](http://www.morganstanley.com/im).

The Fund provides a complete schedule of portfolio holdings on the public website on a calendar-quarter basis approximately 31 calendar days after the close of the calendar quarter. The Fund also provides Top 10 holdings information on the public website approximately 15 business days following the end of each month. You may obtain copies of the Fund's monthly or calendar-quarter website postings, by calling toll free 1(800) 231-2608.

### **Proxy Voting Policy and Procedures and Proxy Voting Record**

A copy of (1) the Fund's policies and procedures with respect to the voting of proxies relating to the Fund's portfolio securities; and (2) how the Fund voted proxies relating to portfolio securities during the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30, is available without charge, upon request, by calling toll free 1(800) 548-7786 or by visiting our website at [www.morganstanley.com/im](http://www.morganstanley.com/im). This information is also available on the SEC's web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov).



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#### Portfolio Management

The Fund is managed within the Emerging Markets Debt team. The team consists of portfolio managers and analysts. Current members of the team jointly and primarily responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio are Eric J. Baurmeister, and Federico L. Kaune, each a Managing Director of the Adviser.

Mr. Baurmeister has been associated with the Adviser in an investment management capacity since 1997 and began managing the Fund in July 2002. Mr. Kaune has been associated with the Adviser in an investment management capacity since 2002 and began managing the Fund in August 2002.

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### Investment Policy

The Fund may use derivative instruments for a variety of purposes, including hedging, risk management, portfolio management or to earn income. Derivatives are financial instruments whose value is based on the value of another underlying asset, interest rate, index or financial instrument. A derivative instrument often has risks similar to its underlying instrument and may have additional risks, including imperfect correlation between the value of the derivative and the underlying instrument, risks of default by the other party to certain transactions, magnification of losses incurred due to changes in the market value of the securities, instruments, indices or interest rates to which they relate, and risks that the transactions may not be liquid. The use of derivatives involves risks that are different from, and possibly greater than, the risks associated with other portfolio investments. Derivatives may involve the use of highly specialized instruments that require investment techniques and risk analyses different from those associated with other portfolio investments. Certain derivative transactions may give rise to a form of leverage. Leverage associated with derivative transactions may cause the Fund to liquidate portfolio positions when it may not be advantageous to do so to satisfy its obligations or to meet earmarking or segregation requirements, pursuant to applicable SEC rules and regulations, or may cause the Fund to be more volatile than if the Fund had not been leveraged. Although the Investment Adviser seeks to use derivatives to further the Fund's investment objectives, there is no assurance that the use of derivatives will achieve this result.

Following is a description of the derivative instruments and techniques that the Fund may use and their associated risks:

*Futures.* In respect to futures, the Fund is subject to equity risk, interest rate risk and foreign currency exchange risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objectives. A futures contract is a standardized agreement between two parties to buy or sell a specific quantity of an underlying instrument at a specific price at a specific future time. The value of a futures contract tends to increase and decrease in tandem with the value of the underlying instrument. Futures contracts are bilateral agreements, with both the purchaser and the seller equally obligated to complete the transaction. Depending on the terms of the particular contract, futures contracts are settled through either physical delivery of the underlying instrument on the settlement date or by payment of a cash settlement amount on the settlement date. During the period the futures contract is open, payments are received from or made to the broker based upon changes in the value of the contract (the variation margin). The risk of loss associated with a futures contract is in excess of the variation margin reflected as part of "Due from (to) Broker" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. A decision as to whether, when and how to use futures involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well conceived futures transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. In addition to the derivatives risks discussed above, the prices of futures can be highly volatile, using futures can lower total return, and the potential loss from futures can exceed the Fund's initial investment in such contracts.

*Options.* In respect to options, the Fund is subject to equity risk, interest rate risk and foreign currency exchange risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objectives. If a Fund buys an option, it buys a legal contract giving it the right to buy or sell a specific amount of the underlying instrument or futures contract on the underlying instrument such as a security, currency or index, at an agreed upon price typically in exchange for a premium paid by the Fund. The Fund may purchase put and call options. Purchasing call options tends to increase the Fund's exposure to the underlying (or similar) instrument. Purchasing put options tends to decrease the Fund's exposure to the underlying (or similar) instrument. When entering into purchased option contracts, the Fund bears the risk of interest or exchange rates or securities prices moving unexpectedly, in which case, the Fund may not achieve the anticipated benefits





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of the purchased option contracts; however the risk of loss is limited to the premium paid. Purchased options are reported as part of "Total Investments" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Premium paid for purchasing options which expired are treated as realized losses. If a Fund sells an option, it sells to another party the right to buy from or sell to the Fund a specific amount of the underlying instrument or futures contract on the underlying instrument at an agreed upon price typically in exchange for a premium received by the Fund. The Fund may write call and put options on stock indexes, futures, securities or currencies it owns or in which it may invest. Writing put options tend to increase the Fund's exposure to the underlying instrument. Writing a call options tend to decrease the Fund's exposure to the underlying instruments. When the Fund writes a call or put option, an amount equal to the premium received is recorded as a liability. Any liability recorded is subsequently adjusted to reflect the current value of the options written. Premiums received from writing options which expire are treated as realized gains. Premiums received from writing options which are exercised or are closed are added to or offset against the proceeds or amount paid on the transaction to determine the net realized gain or loss. The Fund as a writer of an option has no control over whether the underlying future, security or currency may be sold (call) or purchased (put) and as a result bears the market risk of an unfavorable change in the price of the future, security or currency underlying the written option. There is the risk the Fund may not be able to enter into a closing transaction because of an illiquid market. A decision as to whether, when and how to use options involves the exercise of skill and judgment and even a well conceived option transaction may be unsuccessful because of market behavior or unexpected events. The prices of options can be highly volatile and the use of options can lower total returns.

*Swaps.* In respect to swaps, the Fund is subject to equity risk, interest rate risk and credit risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objectives. A swap agreement is an agreement between two parties pursuant to which the parties exchange payments at specified dates on the basis of a specified notional amount, with the payments calculated by reference to specified securities, indexes, reference rates, currencies or other instruments. Most swap agreements provide that when the period payment dates for both parties are the same, the payments are made on a net basis (i.e., the two payment streams are netted out, with only the net amount paid by one party to the other). The Fund's obligations or rights under a swap agreement entered into on a net basis will generally be equal only to the net amount to be paid or received under the agreement, based on the relative values of the positions held by each counterparty. In a zero-coupon interest rate swap, payment only occurs at maturity, at which time one counterparty pays the total compounded fixed rate over the life of the swap and the other pays the total compounded floating rate that would have been earned had a series of floating rate investments been rolled over through the life of the swap. Swap agreements are not entered into or traded on exchanges and there is no central clearing or guaranty function for swaps. Therefore, swaps are subject to credit risk or the risk of default or non-performance by the counterparty. Swaps could result in losses if interest rate or foreign currency exchange rates or credit quality changes are not correctly anticipated by the Fund or if the reference index, security or investments do not perform as expected. When the Fund has an unrealized loss on a swap agreement, the Fund has instructed the custodian to pledge cash or liquid securities as collateral with a value approximately equal to the amount of the unrealized loss. Collateral pledges are monitored and subsequently adjusted if and when the swap valuations fluctuate. Cash collateral is included with "Due from (to) Broker" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Cash collateral has been offset against open swap agreements under the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification<sup>TM</sup> ("ASC") "Balance Sheet" (ASC 210) (formerly known as FIN 39). Offsetting of Amounts Related to Certain Contracts an interpretation of ASC 210-20 (formerly known as APB No. 10 and SFAS 105) and are included within "Swap Agreements, at Value" on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. For cash collateral received, the Fund pays a



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monthly fee to the counterparty based on the effective rate for Federal Funds. This fee, when paid, is included within realized gain (loss) on swap agreements on the Statement of Operations. The Fund adopted the provisions of the FASB ASC 815-10, "Derivatives and Hedging" ("ASC 815-10") and ASC 460-10, "Guarantees" ("ASC 460-10"). ASC 815-10 and ASC 460-10 requires the seller of credit derivatives to provide additional disclosure about its credit derivatives. The Fund's use of swaps may include those based on the credit of an underlying security and commonly referred to as credit default swaps. Where the Fund is the buyer of a credit default swap agreement, it would be entitled to receive the par (or other agreed-upon) value of a referenced debt obligation from the counterparty to the agreement only in the event of a default by a third party on the debt obligation. If no default occurs, the Fund would have paid to the counterparty a periodic stream of payments over the term of the agreement and received no benefit from the agreement. When the Fund is the seller of a credit default swap agreement, it receives the stream of payments but is obligated to pay upon default of the referenced debt obligation. The current credit rating of each individual issuer is listed in the table following the Portfolio of Investments and serves as an indicator of the current status of the payment/performance risk of the credit derivative. Alternatively, for credit default swaps on an index of credits, the quoted market prices and current values serve as an indicator of the current status of the payment/performance risk of the credit derivative. Generally, lower credit ratings and increasing market values, in absolute terms, represent a deterioration of the credit and a greater likelihood of an adverse credit event of the issuer. Upfront payments received or paid by the Fund will be reflected as an asset or liability on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

*Structured Investments.* The Fund also may invest a portion of its assets in structured investments. A structured investment is a derivative security designed to offer a return linked to a particular underlying security, currency or market. Structured investments may come in various forms including notes, warrants and options to purchase securities. The Fund will typically use structured investments to gain exposure to a permitted underlying security, currency or market when direct access to a market is limited or inefficient from a tax or cost standpoint. Investments in structured investments involve risks including counterparty risk and market risk. Holders of structured investments bear risks of the underlying investment and are subject to counterparty risk because the Fund is relying on the creditworthiness of such counterparty and has no rights with respect to the underlying investment. Certain structured investments may be thinly traded or have a limited trading market and may have the effect of increasing the Fund's illiquidity to the extent that the Fund, at a particular point in time, may be unable to find qualified buyers for these securities.

*Foreign Currency Forward Contracts:* In connection with its investments in foreign securities, the Fund also may enter into contracts with banks, brokers or dealers to purchase or sell securities or foreign currencies at a future date ("forward contracts"). A foreign currency forward contract is a negotiated agreement between the contracting parties to exchange a specified amount of currency at a specified future time at a specified rate. The rate can be higher or lower than the spot rate between the currencies that are the subject of the contract. Forward foreign currency exchange contracts may be used to protect against uncertainty in the level of future foreign currency exchange rates or to gain or modify exposure to a particular currency. In addition, the Fund may use cross currency hedging or proxy hedging with respect to currencies in which the Fund has or expects to have portfolio or currency exposure. Cross currency hedges involve the sale of one currency against the positive exposure to a different currency and may be used for hedging purposes or to establish an active exposure to the exchange rate between any two currencies. A currency exchange contract is marked-to-market daily and the change in market value is recorded by the Fund as unrealized gain or loss. The Fund records realized gains (losses) when the contract is closed equal to the difference between the value of the contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it



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was closed. Hedging the Fund's currency risks involves the risk of mismatching the Fund's objectives under a forward or futures contract with the value of securities denominated in a particular currency. Furthermore, such transactions reduce or preclude the opportunity for gain if the value of the currency should move in the direction opposite to the position taken. There is an additional risk to the effect that currency contracts create exposure to currencies in which the Fund's securities are not denominated. Unanticipated changes in currency prices may result in poorer overall performance for the Fund than if it had not entered into such contracts.

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#### Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan

Pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the Plan), each stockholder will be deemed to have elected, unless Computershare Trust Company, N.A. (the Plan Agent) is otherwise instructed by the stockholder in writing, to have all distributions automatically reinvested in Fund shares. Participants in the Plan have the option of making additional voluntary cash payments to the Plan Agent, quarterly, in any amount from \$100 to \$3000, for investment in Fund shares.

Dividend and capital gain distributions (Distribution) will be reinvested on the reinvestment date in full and fractional shares. If the market price per share equals or exceeds net asset value per share on the reinvestment date, the Fund will issue shares to participants at net asset value or, if net asset value is less than 95% of the market price on the reinvestment date, shares will be issued at 95% of the market price. If net asset value exceeds the market price on the reinvestment date, participants will receive shares valued at market price. The Fund may purchase shares of its Common Stock in the open market in connection with dividend reinvestment requirements at the discretion of the Board of Directors. Should the Fund declare a Distribution payable only in cash, the Plan Agent will purchase Fund shares for participants in the open market as agent for the participants.

The Plan Agent's fees for the reinvestment of a Distribution will be paid by the Fund. However, each participant's account will be charged a pro rata share of brokerage commissions incurred on any open market purchases effected on such participant's behalf. Although stockholders in the Plan may receive no cash distributions, participation in the Plan will not relieve participants of any income tax which may be payable on such dividends or distributions.

In the case of stockholders, such as banks, brokers or nominees, that hold shares for others who are the beneficial owners, the Plan Agent will administer the Plan on the basis of the number of shares certified from time to time by the stockholder as representing the total amount registered in the stockholder's name and held for the account of beneficial owners who are participating in the Plan.

Stockholders who do not wish to have Distributions automatically reinvested should notify the Plan Agent in writing. There is no penalty for non-participation or withdrawal from the Plan, and stockholders who have previously withdrawn from the Plan may rejoin at any time. Requests for additional information or any correspondence concerning the Plan should be directed to the Plan Agent at:

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## **An Important Notice Concerning Our U.S. Privacy Policy**

We are required by federal law to provide you with a copy of our privacy policy ("Policy") annually.

This Policy applies to current and former individual clients of certain Morgan Stanley closed-end funds and related companies.

This Policy is not applicable to partnerships, corporations, trusts or other non-individual clients or account holders, nor is this Policy applicable to individuals who are either beneficiaries of a trust for which we serve as trustee or participants in an employee benefit plan administered or advised by us. This Policy is, however, applicable to individuals who select us to be a custodian of securities or assets in individual retirement accounts, 401(k) accounts, 529 Educational Savings Accounts, accounts subject to the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act, or similar accounts. We may amend this Policy at any time, and will inform you of any changes to this Policy as required by law.

## **We Respect Your Privacy**

We appreciate that you have provided us with your personal financial information and understand your concerns about safeguarding such information. We strive to maintain the privacy of such information while we help you achieve your financial objectives. This Policy describes what nonpublic personal information we collect about you, how we collect it, when we may share it with others, and how others may use it. It discusses the steps you may take to limit our sharing of information about you with affiliated Morgan Stanley companies ("affiliated companies"). It also discloses how you may limit our affiliates' use of shared information for marketing purposes. Throughout this Policy, we refer to the nonpublic information that personally identifies you or your accounts as "personal information."

### **1. What Personal Information Do We Collect About You?**

To better serve you and manage our business, it is important that we collect and maintain accurate information about you. We obtain this information from applications and other forms you submit to us, from your dealings with us, from consumer reporting agencies, from our websites and from third parties and other sources. For example:

- We collect information such as your name, address, e-mail address, telephone/fax numbers, assets, income and investment objectives through application forms you submit to us.
- We may obtain information about account balances, your use of account(s) and the types of products and services you prefer to receive from us through your dealings and transactions with us and other sources.
- We may obtain information about your creditworthiness and credit history from consumer reporting agencies.
- We may collect background information from and through third-party vendors to verify representations you have made and to comply with various regulatory requirements.





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- If you interact with us through our public and private Web sites, we may collect information that you provide directly through online communications (such as an e-mail address). We may also collect information about your Internet service provider, your domain name, your computer's operating system and Web browser, your use of our Web sites and your product and service preferences, through the use of "cookies." "Cookies" recognize your computer each time you return to one of our sites, and help to improve our sites' content and personalize your experience on our sites by, for example, suggesting offerings that may interest you. Please consult the Terms of Use of these sites for more details on our use of cookies.

## **2. When Do We Disclose Personal Information We Collect About You?**

To provide you with the products and services you request, to better serve you, to manage our business and as otherwise required or permitted by law, we may disclose personal information we collect about you to other affiliated companies and to nonaffiliated third parties.

**A. Information We Disclose to Our Affiliated Companies.** In order to manage your account(s) effectively, including servicing and processing your transactions, to let you know about products and services offered by us and affiliated companies, to manage our business, and as otherwise required or permitted by law, we may disclose personal information about you to other affiliated companies. Offers for products and services from affiliated companies are developed under conditions designed to safeguard your personal information.

**B. Information We Disclose to Third Parties.** We do not disclose personal information that we collect about you to nonaffiliated third parties except to enable them to provide marketing services on our behalf, to perform joint marketing agreements with other financial institutions, and as otherwise required or permitted by law. For example, some instances where we may disclose information about you to third parties include: for servicing and processing transactions, to offer our own products and services, to protect against fraud, for institutional risk control, to respond to judicial process or to perform services on our behalf. When we share personal information with a nonaffiliated third party, they are required to limit their use of personal information about you to the particular purpose for which it was shared and they are not allowed to share personal information about you with others except to fulfill that limited purpose or as may be required by law.

## **3. How Do We Protect the Security and Confidentiality of Personal Information We Collect About You?**

We maintain physical, electronic and procedural security measures to help safeguard the personal information we collect about you. We have internal policies governing the proper handling of client information. Third parties that provide support or marketing services on our behalf may also receive personal information about you, and we require them to adhere to confidentiality standards with respect to such information.

## **4. How Can You Limit Our Sharing of Certain Personal Information About You With Our Affiliated Companies for Eligibility Determination?**

We respect your privacy and offer you choices as to whether we share with our affiliated companies personal information that was collected to determine your eligibility for products and services such as credit reports and other

information that you have provided to us or that we may obtain from third parties ("eligibility information"). Please note that, even if you direct us not to share certain

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eligibility information with our affiliated companies, we may still share your personal information, including eligibility information, with those companies under circumstances that are permitted under applicable law, such as to process transactions or to service your account. We may also share certain other types of personal information with affiliated companies such as your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address and account number(s), and information about your transactions and experiences with us.

### **5. How Can You Limit the Use of Certain Personal Information About You by Our Affiliated Companies for Marketing?**

You may limit our affiliated companies from using certain personal information about you that we may share with them for marketing their products or services to you. This information includes our transactions and other experiences with you such as your assets and account history. Please note that, even if you choose to limit our affiliated companies from using certain personal information about you that we may share with them for marketing their products and services to you, we may still share such personal information about you with them, including our transactions and experiences with you, for other purposes as permitted under applicable law.

### **6. How Can You Send Us an Opt-Out Instruction?**

If you wish to limit our sharing of certain personal information about you with our affiliated companies for "eligibility purposes" and for our affiliated companies' use in marketing products and services to you as described in this notice, you may do so by:

- Calling us at (800) 231-2608  
Monday - Friday between 9a.m. and 6p.m. (EST)

- Writing to us at the following address:

Morgan Stanley Closed-End Privacy Department  
Harborside Financial Center  
201 Plaza Two, 3rd Floor  
Jersey City, NJ 07311

If you choose to write to us, your written request should include: your name, address, telephone number and account number(s) to which the opt-out applies and should not be sent with any other correspondence. In order to process your request, we require that the request be provided by you directly and not through a third party. Once you have informed us about your privacy preferences, your opt-out preference will remain in effect with respect to this Policy (as it may be amended) until you notify us otherwise. If you are a joint account owner, we will accept instructions from any one of you and apply those instructions to the entire account. Please allow approximately 30 days from our receipt of your opt-out for your instructions to become effective.

Please understand that if you opt-out, you and any joint account holders may not receive certain Morgan Stanley or our affiliated companies' products and services that could help you manage your financial resources and achieve your investment objectives.

If you have more than one account with us or our affiliates, you may receive multiple privacy policies from us, and would need to follow the directions stated in each particular policy for each account you have with us.

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## **7. What if an Affiliated Company Becomes a Nonaffiliated Third Party?**

If, at any time in the future, an affiliated company becomes a nonaffiliated third party, further disclosures of personal information made to the former affiliated company will be limited to those described in Section 2(b) above relating to nonaffiliated third parties. If you elected under Section 6 to limit disclosures we make to affiliated companies, or use of personal information by affiliated companies, your election will not apply to use by any former affiliated company of your personal information in their possession once it becomes a nonaffiliated third party.

### **SPECIAL NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF VERMONT**

**This section supplements our Policy with respect to our individual clients who have a Vermont address and supersedes anything to the contrary in the above Policy with respect to those clients only.**

The State of Vermont requires financial institutions to obtain your consent prior to sharing personal information that they collect about you with affiliated companies and nonaffiliated third parties other than in certain limited circumstances. Except as permitted by law, we will not share personal information we collect about you with nonaffiliated third parties or other affiliated companies unless you provide us with your written consent to share such information ("opt-in").

If you wish to receive offers for investment products and services offered by or through other affiliated companies, please notify us in writing at the following address:

Morgan Stanley Closed-End Privacy Department  
Harborside Financial Center  
201 Plaza Two, 3rd Floor  
Jersey City, NJ 07311

Your authorization should include: your name, address, telephone number and account number(s) to which the opt-in applies and should not be sent with any other correspondence. In order to process your authorization, we require that the authorization be provided by you directly and not through a third-party.

### **SPECIAL NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA**

**The following section supplements our Policy with respect to our individual clients who have a California address and supersedes anything to the contrary in the above Policy with respect to those clients only.**

In response to a California law, if your account has a California home address, your personal information will not be disclosed to nonaffiliated third parties except as permitted by applicable California law, and we will limit sharing such personal information with our affiliates to comply with California privacy laws that apply to us.



Item 2. Code of Ethics.

Not applicable for semiannual reports.

Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.

Not applicable for semiannual reports.

Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

Not applicable for semiannual reports.

Item 5. Audit Committee of Listed Registrants.

Not applicable for semiannual reports.

Item 6.

(a) Refer to Item 1.

(b) Not applicable.

Item 7. Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies.

Not applicable for semiannual reports.



Item 8. Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies

Applicable only to reports filed by closed-end funds.

Item 9. Closed-End Fund Repurchases

**REGISTRANT PURCHASE OF EQUITY SECURITIES**

<b>Period</b>	<b>(a) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased</b>	<b>(b) Average Price Paid per Share (or Unit)</b>	<b>(c) Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs</b>	<b>(d) Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs</b>
mo-da-year January 2011			N/A	N/A
mo-da-year February 2011			N/A	N/A
mo-da-year March 2011			N/A	N/A
mo-da-year April 2011			N/A	N/A
mo-da-year May 2011			N/A	N/A
mo-da-year June 2011			N/A	N/A
<b>Total</b>			N/A	N/A

Item 10. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

Not applicable.

Item 11. Controls and Procedures

(a) The Fund's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures are sufficient to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Fund in this Form N-CSR was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, based upon such officers' evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report.

(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 12. Exhibits

(a) Code of Ethics Not applicable for semiannual reports.

(b) A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant are attached hereto as part of EX-99.CERT.

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**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.

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Debt Fund, Inc.

/s/ Arthur Lev  
Arthur Lev  
Principal Executive Officer  
August 25, 2011

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ Arthur Lev  
Arthur Lev  
Principal Executive Officer  
August 25, 2011

/s/ Francis Smith  
Francis Smith  
Principal Financial Officer  
August 25, 2011

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