

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.
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**CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

Investment Company Act file number 811-22011

EMERGING MARKETS DOMESTIC DEBT, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

522 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY
(Address of principal executive offices)

10036
(Zip code)

RONALD E. ROBISON

522 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10036
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 1-888-378-1630

Date of fiscal year 10/31
end:

Date of reporting period: 10/31/07

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ITEM 1. REPORTS TO STOCKHOLDERS.

The Fund's annual report transmitted to shareholders pursuant to Rule 30e-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 is as follows:

2007 Annual Report

October 31, 2007

**Morgan Stanley
Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.**

Morgan Stanley
Investment Management Inc.
Investment Adviser

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

Overview (unaudited)

Letter to Stockholders

Performance

For the period from April 24, 2007 (commencement of operations) through October 31, 2007, The Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") had total returns, based on net asset value on the last business day of the period and market price per share of 10.77%, net of fees, and (2.46)% respectively. The Fund underperformed against its benchmark, the JPMorgan Government Bond Index - Emerging Markets Global Diversified Index (the "Index") which returned 11.77% during the same period. On October 31, 2007, the closing price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange was \$18.93, representing a 7.6% discount to the Fund's net asset value per share. Past performance is no guarantee of future results.

Factors Affecting Performance

- Factors external to the emerging markets drove much of the turbulence in the global financial markets during the latter part of the reporting period. The main culprits were subprime mortgages and massive amounts of hung-leveraged buyout (LBO) financings.
- However, the volatility in these and other credit markets did not trigger a commensurate panic in the emerging markets debt (EMD) market. Emerging markets remained liquid and trading volumes stayed robust. Most emerging market countries are highly liquid and do not need access to the international capital markets. Foreign exchange (FX) reserves far exceeded short-term debt and, as such, there was no internally driven liquidity crisis in the emerging markets. Moreover, the massive accumulation of FX reserves in conjunction with the lower debt levels now commonplace across the emerging world provided comfort to investors fearing liquidity-induced corrections in other markets.
- Following the U.S. Federal Open Market Committee's decision to loosen monetary policy in September and October, the EMD market rallied as investors moved to cover their short positions amid a rapid resumption of risk appetite.

Management Strategies

- Positive contributors to relative performance versus the Index included an overweight in Turkey. Disinflation, robust foreign direct investment flows, orderly democratic elections, and prudent fiscal and monetary management were key themes aiding Turkey's strong performance during the period. The Turkish Lira gained 13% vs. the U.S. dollar, while yields fell by more than 300 basis points.

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- An overweight in Brazil also benefited relative performance. Here, continued reserve accumulation, a strong trade balance, and attractive real rates helped spur the currency by 15%. During the period, Moody's and S&P upgraded the country's local currency long-term credit rating to Ba1 and BBB, respectively.
- However, detractors from relative gains included an overweight in Argentina. Argentina's inflation-linked bonds declined during the period, reflecting investors' doubts about the legitimacy of reported inflation.
- The Fund's general underexposure to the European currency bloc further detracted from returns. Specifically, underweights in the Czech Republic and Poland hampered relative performance. During the period, both countries' currencies rallied against the Euro, which in turn had gained significantly relative to the U.S. dollar.
- In our view, emerging market countries could be a source of stability for the global economy as they represent an increasing share of global growth. However, in the short term, financial assets may be subject to turmoil if investors panic and reduce their exposure to all but the highest-quality assets.

Sincerely,

Ronald E. Robison

President and Principal Executive Officer

November 2007

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

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Portfolio of Investments*(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)*

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
DEBT INSTRUMENTS (98.4%)		
Argentina (3.8%)		
Sovereign (3.8%)		
Republic of Argentina, 5.83%, 12/31/33	\$ (a)(b)185,900	\$ 71,880
Brazil (18.3%)		
Sovereign (18.3%)		
Federative Republic of Brazil, 10.00%, 1/1/14	BRL 355,073	190,176
Nota do Tesouro Nacional, 10.00%, 7/1/10 - 1/1/17	285,020	157,329
		347,505
Chile (2.6%)		
Sovereign (2.6%)		
Credit Suisse First Boston, Chilean Peso Linked Notes, 5.79%, 5/2/14	\$ (a)50,000	50,209
Colombia (3.8%)		
Sovereign (3.8%)		
Jupiter, S.p.V., Columbian Peso Linked Bonds, 13.50%, 9/15/14	(a)75,000	73,039
Egypt (4.2%)		
Sovereign (4.2%)		
Arab Republic of Egypt, 8.75%, 7/18/12	EGP (c)426,980	79,708
Hungary (12.1%)		
Sovereign (12.1%)		
Republic of Hungary, 6.75%, 4/12/10	HUF 16,380,000	94,053
6.75%, 2/24/17	4,834,840	28,190
7.25%, 6/12/12	18,460,000	108,535
		230,778
Indonesia (15.1%)		
Sovereign (15.1%)		
Barclays Bank plc, Indonesian Government Bond Linked Notes, 10.00%, 7/17/17	IDR (a)(c)800,000,000	92,567
Citigroup, Inc., Indonesian Indexed Credit Linked Unsecured Notes, Zero Coupon, 7/19/17	\$ 28,776	28,713
Credit Suisse, Republic of Indonesia Government Bonds Credit Linked Notes, 10.00%, 7/17/17	IDR (c)154,683,530	17,898
Republic of Indonesia Government, 10.00%, 7/15/17	\$ 500,000,000	\$ 57,854
JPMorgan Chase & Co., London, Indonesian Treasury Bill Linked Notes, 10.00%, 7/19/17 - 9/17/24	IDR (c)807,525,000	91,157
		288,189
Malaysia (4.7%)		
Sovereign (4.7%)		

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Government of Malaysia,			
3.72%, 6/15/12	MYR	295,000	88,897
Mexico (11.3%)			
Sovereign (11.3%)			
Mexican Bonos,			
8.00%, 12/17/15	MXN	767,000	72,456
9.50%, 12/18/14		56,000	5,725
10.00%, 12/5/24 - 11/20/36		1,189,849	135,827
			214,008
Peru (0.8%)			
Sovereign (0.8%)			
Republic of Peru,			
12.25%, 8/10/11	PEN	38,000	15,310
South Africa (11.3%)			
Sovereign (11.3%)			
Republic of South Africa,			
13.00%, 8/31/10	ZAR	(b) 1,159,000	196,695
Standard Bank plc, African Currency Basket Linked Bonds, Zero			
Coupon, 5/21/08	\$	(a)19,000	19,109
			215,804
Turkey (10.4%)			
Sovereign (10.4%)			
Republic of Turkey, Zero Coupon,			
11/26/08 - 5/6/09	TRY	280,309	197,267
TOTAL DEBT INSTRUMENTS			
(Cost \$1,798,441)			1,872,594

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

	Face Amount (000)	Value (000)
U.S. Treasury Security (0.1%)		
United States (0.1%)		
U.S. Treasury Bill		
4.03%, 4/24/08 (Cost \$1,496)	\$ (d)1,525	\$ 1,496
	No. of Contracts	
PUT OPTION PURCHASED (0.4%)		
Turkey (0.4%)		
Turkish Lira Put @ \$1.297, expiring 7/4/08 (Cost \$22,080)	185,000,000	7,016
	Shares	
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT (1.1%)		
United States (1.1%)		
Investment Company		
Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class		
(Cost \$21,731)	(e)21,730,833	21,731
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (100.0%)		
(Cost \$1,843,748)		1,902,837
LIABILITIES IN EXCESS OF OTHER ASSETS		
		(401,774)
NET ASSETS		
	\$	1,501,063

- (a) 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 October 31, 2007.
- (b) Denotes all or a portion of securities subject to repurchase under the Reverse Repurchase Agreements as of October 31, 2007.
- (c) 144A Security Certain conditions for public sale may exist. Unless otherwise noted, these securities are deemed to be liquid.
- (d) Rate shown is the Yield to Maturity at October 31, 2007.
- (e) See Note G within the Notes to Financial Statements regarding investment in Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class.

BRL	Brazilian Real
EGP	Egyptian Pound
HUF	Hungary Forint
IDR	Indonesian Rupiah
MXN	Mexican Peso
MYR	Malaysian Ringgit
PEN	Peruvian Nuevo Sol
TRY	Turkish Lira
ZAR	South African Rand

Total Return Swap Contracts

The Fund had the following total return swap agreement(s) open at period end:

Swap Counterparty	Pay	Receive	Termination Date	Notional Amount (000)	Unrealized Appreciation (000)
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Citigroup	USD-LIBOR-BBA + 0.20%	7.34%	2/13/17	RUB	982,224 \$	1,663
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BBA British Bankers Association

LIBOR London Inter Bank Offer Rate

RUB Russian Ruble

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Portfolio of Investment (cont d)

(Showing Percentage of Total Value of Investments)

Graphic Presentation of Portfolio Holdings

The following graph depicts the Portfolio's holdings by industry and/or investment type, as a percentage of total investments.

* Investment types which do not appear in the above graph, as well as those which represent less than 0.5% of total investments, if applicable, are included in the category labeled "Other".

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	October 31, 2007 (000)
Assets:	
Investments in Securities of Unaffiliated Issuers, at Value (Cost \$1,822,017)	\$ 1,881,106
Investments in Security of Affiliated Issuer, at Value (Cost \$21,731)	21,731
Total Investments in Securities, at Value (Cost \$1,843,748)	1,902,837
Cash	1,711
Interest Receivable	44,019
Unrealized Appreciation on Swap Agreements	1,663
Foreign Currency, at Value (Cost \$1,275)	1,358
Receivable from Affiliate	5
Total Assets	1,951,593
Liabilities:	
Payable For:	
Reverse Repurchase Agreements	229,699
Line of Credit	215,932
Investment Advisory Fees	1,603
Investments Purchased	1,496
Due to Broker	1,424
Administration Fees	128
Custodian Fees	101
Directors Fees and Expenses	@
Other Liabilities	147
Total Liabilities	450,530
Net Assets	
Applicable to 73,317,736 Issued and Outstanding \$0.01 Par Value Shares (100,000,000 Shares Authorized)	\$ 1,501,063
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$ 20.47
Net Assets Consist of:	
Common Stock	\$ 733
Paid-in Capital	1,399,403
Undistributed (Distributions in Excess of) Net Investment Income	36,010
Accumulated Net Realized Gain (Loss)	3,346
Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) on:	
Investments	59,089
Swap Agreements	1,663
Foreign Currency Translations	819
Net Assets	\$ 1,501,063

@ Amount is less than \$500.

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Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

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Statement of Operations

	Year Ended October 31, 2007 (000)
Investment Income	
Interest from Securities of Unaffiliated Issuers	\$ 85,850
Interest from Security of Affiliated Issuer	3,337
Total Investment Income	89,187
Expenses	
Investment Advisory Fees (Note B)	9,379
Interest Expense on Reverse Repurchase Agreements	5,473
Country Tax Expense [#]	1,245
Administration Fees (Note C)	750
Custodian Fees (Note D)	365
Professional Fees	120
Commitment Fees	72
Stockholder Reporting Expenses	38
Custody Overdraft Expense	23
Maintenance Fees on Line of Credit	12
Directors Fees and Expenses	9
Stockholder Servicing Agent Fees	6
Other Expenses	104
Expenses Before Interest Expense	17,596
Interest Expense on Line of Credit (Note H)	6,369
Total Expenses	23,965
Expense Offset (Note D)	(30)
Rebate from Morgan Stanley Affiliated Cash Sweep (Note G)	(69)
Net Expenses	23,866
Net Investment Income (Loss)	65,321
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on:	
Investments	15,918
Foreign Currency Transactions	12,302
Swaps	(20,169)
Options Written	10,393
Net Realized Gain (Loss)	18,444
Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) on:	
Investments	59,089
Swap Agreements	1,663
Foreign Currency Translations	819
Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	61,571
Net Realized Gain (Loss) and Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	80,015
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	\$ 145,336

[^] For the Period from April 24, 2007 (commencement of operations) to October 31, 2007.

[#] CPMF (Provisional Contribution on Financial Transactions) is a Brazilian federal tax imposed on certain banking transactions and account withdrawals. The Tax is charged based on the value of the transaction.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

	Period Ended October 31, 2007 [^] (000)
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	
Operations:	
Net Investment Income (Loss)	\$ 65,321
Net Realized Gain (Loss)	18,444
Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	61,571
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Resulting from Operations	145,336
Distributions from and/or in Excess of:	
Net Investment Income	(43,991)
Capital Share Transactions:	
Fund Shares Sold (73,317,736 shares, Net of Expenses of \$651,000)	1,399,618
Total Increase (Decrease)	1,500,963
Net Assets:	
Beginning of Period	100
End of Period (Including Undistributed (Distributions in Excess of) Net Investment Income of \$36,010)	\$ 1,501,063

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Statement of Cash Flows

	Year Ended October 31, 2007 [^] (000)
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:	
Proceeds from Sales and Maturities of Investments	\$ 952,412
Purchases of Investments	(2,733,165)
Net (Increase) Decrease in Short-Term Investments	(23,227)
Net (Increase) Decrease in Foreign Currency Holdings	(1,275)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) for Foreign Currency Translations	12,302
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Swaps	(20,169)
Net Realized Gain (Loss) on Options Written	10,393
Net Investment Income	65,321
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Investment Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:	
Net (Increase) Decrease in Receivables Related to Operations	(43,288)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Payables Related to Operations	3,784
Accretion/Amortization of Discounts and Premiums	(20,930)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	(1,797,842)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities:	
Cash Received for Reverse Repurchase Agreements	958,601
Cash (Paid) for Reverse Repurchase Agreements	(730,075)
Cash Received for Line of Credit	215,300
Proceeds from Portfolio Shares Sold	1,399,718
Cash Dividends and Distributions Paid	(43,991)
Net Cash Received (Paid) from Financing Activities	1,799,553
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	1,711
Cash at Beginning of Period	
Cash at End of Period	\$ 1,711
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:	
Interest Paid on Line of Credit during the Period	\$ 6,369

[^] For the Period from April 24, 2007 (commencement of operations) to October 31, 2007.

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Financial Highlights

Selected Per Share Data and Ratios

		Period from April 24, 2007 [^] to October 31, 2007
Net Asset Value, Beginning of Period	\$	19.10
Net Investment Income (Loss)		0.90
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments		1.07
Total from Investment Operations		1.97
Distributions from and/or in Excess of:		
Net Investment Income		(0.60)
Net Asset Value, End of Period	\$	20.47
Per Share Market Value, End of Period	\$	18.93
TOTAL INVESTMENT RETURN:		
Market Value		(2.46)%**
Net Asset Value (1)		10.77%**
RATIOS, SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:		
Net Assets, End of Period (Thousands)	\$	1,501,063
Ratio of Expenses to Average Net Assets		3.24%*
Ratio of Expenses Excluding Interest Expense and Country Tax Expense to Average Net Assets		2.21%*
Ratio of Net Investment Income (Loss) to Average Net Assets		8.88%*
Portfolio Turnover Rate		58%**

- (1) Total investment return based on net asset value per share on the last business day of the period reflects the effects of changes in net asset value on the performance of the Fund during the 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 of the Fund.

Per share amount is based on average shares outstanding.

[^] Commencement of Operations

* Annualized

** Not Annualized

Includes the impact of the rebate of certain Fund's expenses in connection with the investments in Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class during the period. The impact of the rebate was 0.01% on the ratios.

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

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

October 31, 2007

Notes to Financial Statements

The Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc. (the Fund) was incorporated in Maryland on January 25, 2007 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 seek a high level of current income, with a secondary investment objective of long-term capital appreciation. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its managed assets in emerging markets domestic debt.

The Fund is authorized to issue 100,000,000 shares of \$0.01 par value common stock and 50,000,000 shares of \$0.01 par value preferred stock. The Fund had no operations until April 24, 2007, other than matters relating to its organization and registration and sale and issuance to Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. (the Adviser or MS Investment Management) of 5,236 shares of common stock at an aggregate purchase price of \$100,000. The Adviser, on behalf of the Fund, will incur all of the Fund's organizational costs, estimated at \$10,000. The Adviser also has agreed to pay the amount by which the offering costs of the Fund (other than the sales load) exceed \$0.04 per share of the Fund's common shares. The aggregate offering expenses (other than the sales load) currently are estimated to be \$600,000 (including amounts to be paid by the Adviser). On April 24, 2007, the Fund sold 63,750,000 common shares in an initial public offering. Proceeds to the Fund were \$1,217,025,000 after deducting underwriting commissions and \$600,000 of offering expenses. On May 7, 15 and 29, 2007 the Fund sold 6,000,000, 2,000,000 and 1,562,500 common shares, respectively, pursuant to an over allotment agreement with the underwriters for net proceeds of \$182,643,750 after deducting underwriting commissions.

A. Accounting Policies: The following significant accounting policies are in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Such policies are consistently followed by the Fund in the preparation of its financial statements. U.S. generally accepted accounting principles may require management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts 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 obtained from reputable brokers. 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. Debt securities purchased with remaining maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, if it approximates value.

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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 Board of Directors (the Director), 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. Repurchase Agreements: The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements under which the Fund lends excess cash and takes possession of securities with an agreement that the counterparty will repurchase such securities. In

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connection with transactions in repurchase agreements, a bank as custodian for the Fund takes possession of the underlying securities (collateral), with a market value at least equal to the amount of the repurchase transaction, including principal and accrued interest. To the extent that any repurchase transaction exceeds one business day, the value of the collateral is marked-to-market on a daily basis to determine the adequacy of the collateral. In the event of default on the obligation to repurchase, the Fund has the right to liquidate the collateral and apply the proceeds in satisfaction of the obligation. In the event of default or bankruptcy by the counterparty to the agreement, realization and/or retention of the collateral or proceeds may be subject to legal proceedings.

The Fund, along with other affiliated investment companies, may utilize a joint trading account for the purpose of entering into one or more repurchase agreements. At October 31, 2007, the Fund did not have any outstanding repurchase agreements.

3. 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 exceed 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 October 31, 2007, the Fund had reverse repurchase agreements outstanding with Lehman Brothers as follows:

Lehman Brothers Agreement	Maturity in less than 365 Days
Value of Securities Subject to Repurchase	\$ 268,575,000
Liability Under Reverse Repurchase Agreement	\$ 229,699,000
Weighted Average Days to Maturity	40.42

4. Foreign Currency Translation: The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars at the mean of the bid and asked prices of such currencies against U.S. dollars last quoted by a major bank as follows:

- investments, other assets and liabilities at the prevailing rates 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 the 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) due to securities transactions are included in the reported net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on investment transactions and balances.

Net realized gains (losses) on foreign currency transactions represent net foreign exchange gains (losses) from sales and maturities of foreign currency exchange contracts, disposition of foreign currencies, currency gains or 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 investments and foreign currency translations in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. The change in net unrealized currency gains (losses) on foreign currency translations for the period is reflected in the Statement of Operations.

A significant portion of the Fund's managed assets consist of securities of issuers located in emerging markets or which are denominated in foreign currencies. Such investments may be concentrated in a limited number of countries and

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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.

5. Derivatives: The Fund may use derivatives to achieve its investment objectives. The Fund may engage in transactions in futures contracts on foreign currencies, stock indices, as well as in options, swaps and structured notes. Consistent with the Fund's investment objectives and policies, the Fund may use derivatives for non-hedging as well as hedging purposes.

Following is a description of derivative instruments that the Fund has utilized and their associated risks:

Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts: The Fund may enter into foreign currency exchange contracts to attempt to protect securities and related receivables and payables against changes in future foreign exchange rates and, in certain situations, to gain exposure to a foreign currency. A foreign currency exchange contract is an agreement between two parties to buy or sell currency at a set price on a future date. The market value of the contract will fluctuate with changes in currency exchange rates. The 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 or 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 was closed. Risk may arise upon entering into these contracts from the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts and is generally limited to the amount of unrealized gain on the contracts, if any, at the date of default. Risks may also arise from unanticipated movements in the value of a foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar.

Purchased & Written Options: The Fund may write covered call and put options on portfolio securities and other financial instruments. Premiums are received and are recorded as liabilities. The liabilities are 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. By writing a covered call option, the Fund, in exchange for the premium, foregoes the opportunity for capital appreciation above the exercise price should the market price of the underlying security increase. By writing a put option, the Fund, in exchange for the premium, accepts the risk of having to purchase a security at an exercise price that is above the current market price.

The Fund may purchase call and put options on its securities or other financial instruments. The Fund may purchase call options to protect against an increase in the price of the security or financial instrument it anticipates purchasing. The Fund may purchase put options on securities which it holds or other financial instruments to protect against a decline in the value of the security or financial instrument or to close out covered written put positions. Risks may arise from an imperfect correlation between the change in market value of the securities purchased or sold by the Fund and from the possible lack of a liquid secondary market for an option. The maximum exposure to loss for any purchased option is limited to the premium initially paid for the option.

Options written for period ended October 31, 2007 were as follows:

	Number of Contracts (000)	Premiums Received (000)
Options Outstanding April 24, 2007*		\$
Options Written	1,520,000	55,116
Options Terminated in Closing Purchase Transactions	(1,520,000)	(55,116)
Options Expired		
Options Exercised		
Options Outstanding October 31, 2007		\$

* Commencement of operations.

Securities Sold Short: The Fund may sell securities short. A short sale is a transaction in which the Fund sells securities it may or may not own, but has borrowed, in anticipation of a decline in the market price of the securities. The Fund is obligated to replace the borrowed securities at their market price at the time of replacement. The Fund

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may have to pay a premium to borrow the securities as well as pay any dividends or interest payable on the securities until they are replaced. The Fund's obligation to replace the securities borrowed in connection with a short sale will generally be secured by collateral deposited with the broker that consists of cash, U.S. government securities or other liquid, high grade debt obligations. In addition, the Fund will either place in a segregated account with its custodian or denote on its custody records an amount of cash, U.S. government securities or other liquid high grade debt obligations equal to the difference, if any, between (1) the market value of the securities sold at the time they were sold short and (2) any cash, U.S. government securities or other liquid high grade debt obligations deposited as collateral with the broker in connection with the short sale (not including the proceeds of the short sale). Short sales by the Fund involve certain risks and special considerations. Possible losses from short sales differ from losses that could be incurred from a purchase of a security because losses from short sales may be unlimited, whereas losses from purchases cannot exceed the total amount invested.

Structured Securities: The Fund may invest in interests in entities organized and operated solely for the purpose of restructuring the investment characteristics of sovereign debt obligations. This type of restructuring involves the deposit with or purchase by an entity of specified instruments and the issuance by that entity of one or more classes of securities (Structured Securities) backed by, or representing interests in, the underlying instruments. Structured Securities generally will expose the Fund to credit risks of the underlying instruments as well as of the issuer of the Structured Security. Structured Securities are typically sold in private placement transactions with no active trading market. Investments in Structured Securities may be more volatile than their underlying instruments, however, any loss is limited to the amount of the original investment.

Over-the-Counter Trading: Securities and other derivative instruments that may be purchased or sold by the Fund may consist of instruments not traded on an exchange. The risk of nonperformance by the obligor on such an instrument may be greater, and the ease with which the Fund can dispose of or enter into closing transactions with respect to such an instrument may be less, than in the case of an exchange-traded instrument. In addition, significant spreads may exist between bid and ask prices for derivative instruments that are not traded on an exchange. Derivative instruments not traded on exchanges are also not subject to the same type of government regulation as exchange traded instruments, and many of the protections afforded to participants in a regulated environment may not be available in connection with such transactions.

Swap Agreements: The Fund may enter into swap agreements to exchange the interest rate on, or return generated by, one nominal instrument for the return generated by another nominal instrument. Cash collateral for swap agreements, if applicable, is deposited with the broker serving as counterparty to the agreement, and is included in Due from (to) Broker on the Statement of Assets & Liabilities. The following summarizes swaps entered into by the Fund:

Credit Default Swaps: Credit default swaps involve commitments to pay a fixed rate in exchange for payment if a credit event affecting a third party (the referenced company) occurs. Credit events may include a failure to pay interest, bankruptcy, or restructuring. The Fund accrues for interim payments on swap contracts on a daily basis, with the net amount recorded within unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swap contracts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Once interim payments are settled in cash, the net amount is recorded within realized gain (loss) on swaps in the Statement of Operations. Credit default swaps are marked-to-market daily based upon quotations from market makers and the change, if any, is recorded as unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the Statement of Operations.

Interest Rate Swaps: Interest rate swaps involve the exchange of commitments to pay and receive interest based on a notional principal amount. The Fund accrues for interim payments on swap contracts on a daily basis, with the net amount recorded within unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swap contracts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Once interim payments are settled in cash, the net amount is recorded within realized gain (loss) on swaps on the Statement of Operations. In a zero-coupon interest rate swap, payments only occur 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 LIBOR investments been rolled over

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through the life of the swap. The Fund amortizes its interest payment obligation over the life of the swap. The amortized portion of this payment is recorded in the Statement of Operations as an adjustment to interest income. The unamortized portion of this payment is included in Due from (to) Broker on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Interest rate swaps are marked-to-market daily based upon quotations from market makers and the change, if any, is recorded as unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the Statement of Operations.

Total Return Swaps: Total return swaps involve commitments to pay interest in exchange for a market-linked return based on a notional amount. To the extent the total return of the security or index underlying the transaction exceeds or falls short of the offsetting interest rate obligation, the Fund will receive a payment from or make a payment to the counterparty, respectively. Total return swaps are marked-to-market daily based upon quotations from market makers and the change, if any, is recorded as unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the Statement of Operations. Periodic payments received or made at the end of each measurement period, but prior to termination, are recorded as realized gains or losses in the Statement of Operations.

Realized gains or losses on maturity or termination of swaps are presented in the Statement of Operations. Because there is no organized market for these swap agreements, the unrealized gain/loss reported in the Statement of Assets & Liabilities may differ from that which would be realized in the event the Fund terminated its position in the agreement. Risks may arise upon entering into these agreements from the potential inability of the counterparties to meet the terms of the agreements and are generally limited to the amount of net interest payments to be received, if any, at the date of default. Risks also arise from potential losses from adverse market movements and such losses could exceed the related amounts shown in the Statement of Assets & Liabilities.

6. New Accounting Pronouncements: In July 2006, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Interpretation 48, Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes an Interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109 (FIN 48). FIN 48 clarifies the accounting for income taxes by prescribing the minimum recognition threshold a tax position must meet before being recognized in the financial statements. FIN 48 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2006 and is to be applied to all open tax years as of the effective date. Recent Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) guidance allows implementing FIN 48 in the Fund NAV calculations as late as the Fund's last NAV calculation in the first required financial statement period. As a result, the Fund will incorporate FIN 48 in its next semi-annual report. The impact to the Fund's financial statements, if any, is currently being assessed.

In September 2006, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, *Fair Value Measurements* (SFAS 157), was issued and is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. SFAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of SFAS 157 will have on the Fund's financial statement disclosures.

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In February 2007, the FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities including an amendment of FASB Statement No. 115. (SFAS 159), which is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. SFAS 159 permits entities to elect to measure certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value. The fair value option may be applied instrument by instrument, is irrevocable and is applied only to entire instruments and not to portions of instruments. SFAS 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. Management is currently evaluating the impact the adoption of SFAS 159 will have on the Fund's financial statement disclosures.

7. **Other:** Security transactions are accounted for on the date the securities are purchased or sold. Realized gains and losses on the sale of investment securities are determined on the specific identified cost basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis and discounts and premiums on investments purchased are accreted or amortized in accordance with the effective yield method over their respective lives, except where collection is in doubt. Distributions to stockholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

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B. Investment Advisory Fees: The Adviser 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 managed 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. Under a sub-administration agreement between the Administrator and JPMorgan Investor Services Co. ("JPMIS"), a corporate affiliate of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., JPMIS provides certain administrative services to the Fund. For such services, the Administrator pays JPMIS a portion of the fee the Administrator receives from the Fund. An employee of JPMIS is an officer of the Fund. Administration costs (including out-of-pocket expenses) incurred in the ordinary course of providing services under the administration agreement, except pricing services and extraordinary expenses, are covered under the administration fee.

D. Custodian Fees: JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., (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. 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.

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.

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The tax character of distributions paid may differ from the character of distributions shown on the Statement 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 from net investment income during the period was approximately \$43,991,000.

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. generally accepted accounting principles. The 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 and losses on certain investment transactions and the timing of the deductibility of certain expenses.

Permanent differences, primarily due to gains and losses on foreign options, foreign futures and swap transactions, resulted in the following reclassifications among the components of net assets at October 31, 2007:

		Increase (Decrease)			
Accumulated Undistributed (Distributions in Excess of) Net Investment Income (Loss) (000)			Accumulated Net Realized Gain (Loss) (000)		Paid-in Capital (000)
\$	14,680	\$	(15,098)	\$	418

At October 31, 2007, the components of distributable earnings on a tax basis were as follows:

	Undistributed Ordinary Income (000)		Undistributed Long-term Capital Gain (000)
\$		55,734	\$

At October 31, 2007, the U.S. Federal income tax cost basis of investments was approximately \$1,846,679,000 and, accordingly, net unrealized appreciation for U.S. Federal income tax purposes was \$57,042,000 of which \$94,802,000 related to appreciated securities and \$37,760,000 related to depreciated securities.

F. Contractual Obligations: The Fund enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown. However,

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the Fund has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts and expects the risk of loss to be remote.

G. Security Transactions and Transactions with Affiliates: The Fund invests in Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class, an open-end management investment company managed by the Adviser. Investment Advisory fees paid by the Fund are reduced by an amount equal to its pro-rata share of advisory and administrative fees paid by Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class. For the year ended October 31, 2007, advisory fees paid were reduced by \$69,000 relating to the Fund's investment in Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Money Market Portfolio Institutional Class.

A summary of the Fund's transactions in shares of the affiliated issuer during the year ended October 31, 2007 is as follows:

Market Value April 24, 2007 [^] (000)	Purchases at Cost (000)	Sales Proceeds (000)	Interest Income (000)	Market Value October 31, 2007 (000)
\$	\$ 1,991,589	\$ 1,969,858	\$ 3,337	\$ 21,731

[^] Commencement of Operations

During the year ended October 31, 2007, the Fund made purchases and sales totaling approximately \$2,734,661,000 and \$880,921,000 respectively, of investment securities other than long-term U.S. Government securities and short-term investments. There were no purchases or sales of long-term U.S. Government securities.

During the year ended October 31, 2007, the Fund incurred no brokerage commissions with Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, an affiliate of the Adviser.

H. Credit Facility: The Fund will use the proceeds from the use of leverage to purchase additional securities consistent with the Fund's investment objectives, policies and strategies. The Fund has engaged J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. to arrange a syndicate of lenders to provide a revolving line of credit facility in the amount of up to \$200,000,000 which amount may be increased to \$400,000,000 under certain circumstances. Pursuant to the agreement among the parties, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as lender (the Lender) has agreed to commit up to \$75,000,000 of the facility amount. The facility is expected to have the following terms and conditions, among others: The term of the facility is 364 days, which term may be extended under certain conditions. The loans under the facility will bear interest at a rate per annum, at the election of the Fund, equal to (a) the higher of (i) the Conduit Lender's prime rate and (ii) the Federal Funds Effective Rate or (b) the rate of LIBOR for the applicable interest period plus a spread of 0.30%. The loans will

be secured by a fully perfected first priority lien on all of the assets of the Fund capable of being pledged. There will be a commitment fee on the unused portion of the facility in the amount of 0.08% of the average daily unused portion of the credit facility. The average borrowings for the period ended October 31, 2007 were approximately \$210,982,000 during a period of 178 days. During the same period, the Fund paid approximately \$6,369,000 in interest expense associated with the outstanding balances.

I. Other: On June 20, 2007, the Board approved a share repurchase program for purposes of enhancing stockholder value and reducing the discount at which the Fund's shares trade from their net asset value. The Fund expects 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.

On August 21, 2007, the Officers of the Fund, pursuant to authority granted by the Directors, declared a distribution of \$0.60 per share, derived from net investment income. The distribution represents a period longer than a normal quarter due to the start-up period of the Fund. Of this dividend, \$0.50 represents the current quarterly dividend which equates to a current annualized distribution of 10.5% based on net proceeds to the Fund of \$19.10, an 11.6% annualized distribution rate based on August 21, 2007 closing price of \$17.31, and an 11.0% annualized distribution rate based on the current NAV of \$18.13.

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For More Information About Portfolio Holdings (unaudited)

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 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 web-site, www.morganstanley.com. 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, <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 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) 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/msim.

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 1(800) 221-6726.

Proxy Voting Policy and Procedures and Proxy Voting Record (unaudited)

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 1 (800) 548-7786 or by visiting our website at www.morganstanley.com/im. This information is also available on the SEC's web site at www.sec.gov.

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Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Stockholders and Board of Directors of Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc., (the Fund), including the portfolio of investments, as of October 31, 2007, and the related statements of operations, changes in net assets, cash flows and the financial highlights for the period from April 24, 2007 (commencement of operations) to October 31, 2007. These financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements and financial highlights based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and financial highlights are free of material misstatement. We were not engaged to perform an audit of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and financial highlights, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, and evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of October 31, 2007 by correspondence with the custodian and brokers or by other appropriate auditing procedures where replies from brokers were not received. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements and financial highlights referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc. at October 31, 2007, the results of its operations, its changes in its net assets, cash flows and the financial highlights for the period from April 24, 2007 (commencement of operations) to October 31, 2007, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Boston, Massachusetts
December 19, 2007

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**Morgan Stanley Institutional Closed End Funds
An Important Notice Concerning Our
U.S. Privacy Policy (unaudited)**

We are required by federal law to provide you with a copy of our Privacy Policy annually.

The following Policy applies to current and former individual investors in Morgan Stanley Institutional closed end funds. This Policy is not applicable to partnerships, corporations, trusts or other non-individual clients or account holders. Please note that 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. We strive to maintain the privacy of such information while we help you achieve your financial objectives. This Policy describes what non-public personal information we collect about you, why we collect it, and when we may share it with others. We hope this Policy will help you understand how we collect and share non-public personal information that we gather about you. Throughout this Policy, we refer to the non-public information that personally identifies you or your accounts as personal information.

1. What Personal Information Do We Collect About You?

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

For example:

- We may collect information such as your name, address, e-mail address, telephone/fax numbers, assets, income and investment objectives through applications and other 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.
- 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 serve you better and to manage our business, we may disclose personal information we collect about you to our affiliated companies and to non-affiliated third parties as required or permitted by law.

A. Information We Disclose to Our Affiliated Companies. We do not disclose personal information that we collect about you to our affiliated companies except to enable them to provide services on our behalf or as otherwise required or permitted by law.

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B. Information We Disclose to Third Parties. We do not disclose personal information that we collect about you to non-affiliated third parties except to enable them to provide services on our behalf, to perform joint marketing agreements with other financial institutions, or as otherwise required or permitted by law. For example, some instances where we may disclose information about you to non-affiliated 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 these companies, they are required to limit their use of personal information to the particular purpose for which it was shared and they are not allowed to share personal information with others except to fulfill that limited purpose.

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, and we require them to adhere to confidentiality standards with respect to such information.

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Director and Officer Information (unaudited)

Independent Directors:

Name, Age and Address of Independent Director	Position(s) Held with Registrant	Length of Time Served*	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Independent Director**	Other Directorships Held by Independent Director
Frank L. Bowman (62) c/o Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP Counsel to the Independent Directors 1177 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036	Director	Since August 2006	President and Chief Executive Officer of the Nuclear Energy Institute (policy organization) (since February 2005); Director or Trustee of various Retail Funds and Institutional Funds (since August 2006); formerly variously, Admiral in the U.S. Navy, Director of Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program and Deputy Administrator Naval Reactors in the National Nuclear Security Administration at the U.S. Department of Energy (1996- 2004). Honorary Knight Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire.	171	Director of the National Energy Foundation, the U.S. Energy Association, the American Council for Capital Formation and the Armed Services YMCA of the USA.
Michael Bozic (65) c/o Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP Counsel to the Independent Directors 1177 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036	Director	Since April 2004	Private Investor; Chairperson of the Valuation, Insurance and Compliance Committee (since October 2006); Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since April 1994) and the Institutional Funds (since July 2003); formerly Chairperson of the Insurance Committee (July 2006-September 2006), Vice Chairman of Kmart Corporation (December 1998-October 2000), Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Levitz Furniture Corporation (November 1995-November 1998) and President and Chief Executive Officer of Hills Department Stores (May 1991-July 1995); variously Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, President and Chief Operating Officer (1987- 1991) of the Sears Merchandise Group of Sears Roebuck & Co.	173	Director of various business organizations.
Kathleen A. Dennis (53) c/o Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP Counsel to the Independent Directors 1177 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036	Director	Since August 2006	President, Cedarwood Associates (mutual fund consulting) (since July 2006); Chairperson of the Money Market and Alternatives Sub-Committee of the Investment Committee (since October 2006) and Director or Trustee of various Retail Funds and Institutional Funds (since August 2006); formerly, Senior Managing Director of Victory Capital Management (1993-2006).	171	None.
Dr. Manuel H. Johnson (57) c/o Johnson Smick Group, Inc. 888 16th Street, NW Suite 740	Director	Since July 1991	Senior Partner, Johnson Smick International, Inc. (consulting firm); Chairperson of the Investment Committee (since October 2006) and Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since July 1991) and the Institutional Funds (since July 2003);	173	Director of NVR, Inc. (home construction); Director of KFX Energy; Director of RBS Greenwich Capital Holdings (financial holding company).

Washington, D.C. 20006

Co-Chairman and a founder of the Group of Seven Council (G7C) international economic commission; formerly Chairperson of the Audit Committee (July 1991- September 2006); Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Treasury.

Director and Officer Information (unaudited)

Name, Age and Address of Independent Director	Position(s) Held with Registrant	Length of Time Served*	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Independent Director**	Other Directorships Held by Independent Director
Joseph J. Kearns (64) c/o Kearns & Associates LLC PMB754 23852 Pacific Coast Highway Malibu, CA 90265	Director	Since August 1994	President, Kearns & Associates LLC (investment consulting); Chairperson of the Audit Committee (since October 2006) and Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since July 2003) and the Institutional Funds (since August 1994); formerly Deputy Chairperson of the Audit Committee (July 2003-September 2006) and Chairperson of the Audit Committee of the Institutional Funds (October 2001- July 2003); formerly CFO of the J. Paul Getty Trust.	174	Director of Electro Rent Corporation (equipment leasing), The Ford Family Foundation and the UCLA Foundation.
Michael F. Klein (48) c/o Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP Counsel to the Independent Directors 1177 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036	Director	Since August 2006	Chief Operating Officer and Managing Director, Aetos Capital, LLC (since March 2000); Chairperson of the Fixed-Income Sub-Committee of the Investment Committee (since October 2006) and Director or Trustee of various Retail Funds and Institutional Funds (since August 2006); formerly Managing Director, Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc. and Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Investment Management, President, Morgan Stanley Institutional Funds (June 1998-March 2000) and Principal, Morgan Stanley & Co., Inc. and Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Investment Management (August 1997-December 1999).	171	Director of certain investment funds managed or sponsored by Aetos Capital LLC.
Michael E. Nugent (70) c/o Triumph Capital, L.P. 445 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022	Chairman of the Board and Director	Chairman of the Boards since July 2006 and Trustee since July 1991	General Partner of Triumph Capital, L.P. private investment partnership; Chairman of the Boards of the Retail Funds and Institutional Funds (since July 2006); Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since July 1991) and the Institutional Funds (since July 2001); formerly Chairperson of the Insurance Committee (until July 2006) and Vice President, Bankers Trust Company and BT Capital Corporation (1984-1988).	173	None.
W. Allen Reed (59) c/o Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP Counsel to the Independent Directors 1177 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036	Director	Since August 2006	Chairperson of the Equity Sub-Committee of the Investment Committee (since October 2006) and Director or Trustee of various Retail Funds and Institutional Funds (since August 2006); formerly President and CEO of General Motors Asset Management; Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the GM Trust Bank and Corporate Vice President of General Motors Corporation (July 1994-December 2005).	171	Director of GMAC (financial services) and Temple-Inland Industries (packaging, banking and forest products); Director of Legg Mason and Director of the Auburn University Foundation.
Fergus Reid (74) c/o Lumelite Plastics Corporation 85 Charles Coleman Blvd. Pawling, NY 12564	Director	Since June 1992	Chairman of Lumelite Plastics Corporation; Chairperson of the Governance Committee and Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since July 2003) and the Institutional Funds (since June 1992).	174	Trustee and Director of certain investment companies in the JPMorgan Funds complex managed by JP Morgan Investment Management Inc.

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Interested Directors:

Name, Age and Address of Interested Director	Position(s) Held with Registrant	Length of Time Served*	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years	Number of Portfolios in Fund Complex Overseen by Interested Director**	Other Directorships Held by Interested Director
James F. Higgins (58) c/o Morgan Stanley Trust Harborside Financial Center Plaza Two Jersey City, NJ 07311	Director	Since June 2000	Director or Trustee of the Retail Funds (since June 2000) and the Institutional Funds (since July 2003); Senior Advisor of Morgan Stanley (since August 2000).	173	Director of AXA Financial, Inc. and The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States (financial services).

* This is the earliest date the Director began serving the Retail Funds or Institutional Funds. Each Director serves an indefinite term, until his or her successor is elected.

** The Fund Complex includes all funds advised by Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. and funds that have an investment advisor that is an affiliated entity of Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. (including, but not limited to, Morgan Stanley Investments LP and Morgan Stanley Investment Advisors Inc.).

Director and Officer Information (cont d)**Executive Officers:**

Name, Age and Address of Executive Officer	Position(s) Held with Registrant	Length of Time Served*	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years
Ronald E. Robison (67) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	President and Principal Executive Officer	President since September 2005 and Principal Executive Officer since May 2003	President (since September 2005) and Principal Executive Officer (since May 2003) of funds in the Fund Complex; President (since September 2005) and Principal Executive Officer (since May 2003) of the Van Kampen Funds; Managing Director, Director and/or Officer of the Adviser and various entities affiliated with the Adviser; Director of Morgan Stanley SICAV (since May 2004). Formerly, Executive Vice President (July 2003 to September 2005) of funds in the Fund Complex and the Van Kampen Funds; President and Director of the Institutional Funds (March 2001 to July 2003); Chief Administrative Officer of Morgan Stanley Investment Advisors Inc.; Chief Administrative Officer of Morgan Stanley Services Company Inc.
J. David Germany (52) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Limited 20 Bank Street Canary Wharf London, United Kingdom E144AD	Vice President	Since February 2006	Managing Director and (since December 2005) Chief Investment Officer Global Fixed Income of Morgan Stanley Investment Management; Managing Director and Director of Morgan Stanley Investment Management Limited; Vice President of the Retail and Institutional Funds (since February 2006).
Dennis F. Shea (53) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Vice President	Since February 2006	Managing Director and (since February 2006) Chief Investment Officer Global Equity of Morgan Stanley Investment Management; Vice President of the Retail and Institutional Funds (since February 2006). Formerly, Managing Director and Director of Global Equity Research at Morgan Stanley.
Amy R. Doberman (44) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Vice President	Since July 2004	Managing Director and General Counsel, U.S. Investment Management of Morgan Stanley Investment Management (since July 2004); Vice President of the Retail Funds and the Institutional Funds (since July 2004); Vice President of the Van Kampen Funds (since August 2004); Secretary (since February 2006) and Managing Director (since July 2004) of the Adviser and various entities affiliated with the Adviser. Formerly, Managing Director and General Counsel Americas, UBS Global Asset Management (July 2000-July 2004).
Carsten Otto (43) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Chief Compliance Officer	Since October 2004	Managing Director and U.S. Director of Compliance for Morgan Stanley Investment Management (since October 2004); Managing Director and Chief Compliance Officer of Morgan Stanley Investment Management. Formerly, Assistant Secretary and Assistant General Counsel of the Retail Funds.
Stefanie V. Chang Yu (40) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Vice President	Since December 1997	Executive Director of the Adviser and various entities affiliated with the Adviser; Vice President of the Retail Funds (since July 2002) and the Institutional Funds (since December 1997). Formerly, Secretary of various entities affiliated with the Adviser.

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Name, Age and Address of Executive Officer	Position(s) Held with Registrant	Length of Time Served*	Principal Occupation(s) During Past 5 Years
Mary E. Mullin (39) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Secretary	Since June 1999	Executive Director of the Adviser and various entities affiliated with the Adviser; Secretary of the Retail Funds (since July 2003) and the Institutional Funds (since June 1999).
James W. Garrett (38) Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. 1221 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10020	Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer	Treasurer since February 2002 and Chief Financial Officer since July 2003	Head of Global Fund Administration; Managing Director of the Adviser and various entities affiliated with the Adviser; Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of the Institutional Funds. Formerly with PriceWaterhouse LLP (now PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP).

* This is the earliest date the Director began serving the Retail Funds or Institutional Funds. Each Director serves an indefinite term, until his or her successor is elected.

In accordance with Section 303A. 12(a) of the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual, the Fund's Annual CEO Certification certifying as to compliance with NYSE's Corporate Governance Listing Standards was submitted to the Exchange on April 26, 2007.

The Fund's Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Certifications required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 were filed with the Fund's N-CSR and are available on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

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Dividend Reinvestment 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.

Dividend and capital gain distributions 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 dividend or capital gain 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 dividends and distributions 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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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 1(800) 231-2608 or visit our website at www.morganstanley.com/msim. All investments involve risks, including the possible loss of principal.

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Item 2. Code of Ethics.

(a) The Fund has adopted a code of ethics (the Code of Ethics) that applies to its principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions, regardless of whether these individuals are employed by the Fund or a third party.

(b) No information need be disclosed pursuant to this paragraph.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Not applicable.

(e) Not applicable.

(f)

(1) The Fund's Code of Ethics is attached hereto as Exhibit 12 A.

(2) Not applicable.

(3) Not applicable.

Item 3. Audit Committee Financial Expert.

The Fund's Board of Trustees has determined that Joseph J. Kearns, an independent Trustee, is an audit committee financial expert serving on its audit committee. Under applicable securities laws, a person who is determined to be an audit committee financial expert will not be deemed an expert for any purpose, including without limitation for the purposes of Section 11 of the Securities Act of 1933, as a result of being designated or identified as an audit committee financial expert. The designation or identification of a person as an audit committee financial expert does not impose on such person any duties, obligations, or liabilities that are greater than the duties, obligations, and liabilities imposed on such person as a member of the audit committee and Board of Trustees in the absence of such designation or identification.

Item 4. Principal Accountant Fees and Services.

(a)(b)(c)(d) and (g). Based on fees billed for the periods shown:

2007

	Registrant	Covered Entities(1)
Audit Fees	\$ 46,500	N/A
Non-Audit Fees		
Audit-Related Fees	\$	\$ 781,800(2)
Tax Fees.	\$ 3,100(3)	\$ 59,185(4)
All Other Fees	\$	\$ 74,100(5)
Total Non-Audit Fees.	\$ 3,100	\$ 915,085
Total	\$ 49,600	\$ 915,085

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	Registrant	Covered Entities(1)
Audit Fees	\$ 45,000	N/A
Non-Audit Fees		
Audit-Related Fees	\$	\$ 706,000