HERZFELD CARIBBEAN BASIN FUND INC

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> FORM N-Q QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

> > Investment Company Act file number 811-06445

The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

P.O. BOX 161465, MIAMI, FLORIDA 33116

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

THOMAS J. HERZFELD P.O. BOX 161465, MIAMI, FL 33116

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 305-271-1900

Date of fiscal year end: 06/30/10

Date of reporting period: 03/31/10

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS AS OF MARCH 31, 2010 (unaudited)

Shares or

Description Principal Amount Market Value _____ Common stocks - 90.76% of net assets Airlines - 6.93% 27,500 Copa Holdings, S.A. \$ 1,672,000 19,000 AirTrans Holdings, Inc. 96,520 Banking and finance - 8.10% 24,280 Bancolombia, S.A 1,108,625 39,000 Banco Latinoamericano de Exportaciones, S.A 560,040 28,015 6,500 Doral Financial Corp. 50,000 Popular, Inc. 145,500 38,478 3,844 W Holding Co., Inc. 11,000 Western Union Company 186,560 Communications - 12.06% 35,600 America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A 90,117

18,000 6,698 11,900 377,100 21,120 32,400 80,304 15,000 78,600 15,000	America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series L America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc. Carso Global Telecom, S.A. de C.V. Series Al Fuego Enterprises, Inc. Grupo Radio Centro, S.A.B. ADR Grupo Televisa, S.A.B. ADR Spanish Broadcasting System Inc. Telefonos de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Series L Telefonos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.B. Series L Telmex International S.A.B. de C.V. Series L	128,535 906,120 300,941 60,952 13,199 173,606 681,048 62,621 234,000 61,731 289,200 76,143
70,348	Conglomerates and holdings companies - 0.46% Admiralty Holding Company BCB Holdings Ltd. Shellshock Ltd. Ord.	175 114,714 2,588
26,737 20	Construction and related - 4.64% Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. Series CPO Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Ceramica Carabobo Class A ADR Mastec, Inc.	53,109 272,985 859,145
	Consumer products and related manufacturing - 6.78% Grupo Casa Saba, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Watsco Incorporated	216,350 1,513,008
53,874 19,500 18,900	Food, beverages and tobacco - 7.62% Chiquita Brands International Inc. Cleanpath Resources Corp. Coca-Cola Femsa, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A.B. de C.V. Series UBD Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc.	220,220 1,616 1,295,775 90,182 337,973
32 , 500	Housing - 2.19% Lennar Corp.	559 , 325
4,420	Investment companies - 0.01% Shellproof Limited	2,146
30,500	Leisure - 10.00% Carnival Corp. Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. Steiner Leisure Ltd.	1,302,480 1,006,195 243,760
•	Medical - 0.38% Micromet, Inc. Orthofix International NV	67,759 29,104
	Mining - 7.57% Freeport McMoran Copper & Gold, Inc. Grupo Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V., Series B	1,921,420 10,377
6,100	Pulp and paper - 0.14% Kimberly-Clark de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A	34 , 595
	Railroad and landholdings - 4.33%	

	Norfolk Southern Corporation Rail America, Inc.	894,240 212,400
	Retail - 1.16% Grupo Elektra, S.A. de C.V. Series CPO Wal-Mart de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series V	63,885 231,864
700	Service - 0.01% Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V. Series	B 3,716
1,221 2,000 20,000 8,361 71,497	Trucking and marine freight - 11.60% Grupo TMM, S.A.B. ADR Seaboard Corporation Seacor Holdings Inc. Teekay Corporation Teekay LNG Partners LP. Trailer Bridge, Inc. Ultrapetrol Bahamas Ltd.	36,594 1,586,201 161,320 454,800 249,576 346,760 126,270
68,241 700	Utilities - 6.48% Caribbean Utilities Ltd. Class A Consolidated Water, Inc. Cuban Electric Company Teco Energy Inc.	102,000 907,701 385 643,545
13,000 55,921 895 79	Other - 0.30% Cuba Business Development Impellam Group Margo Caribe, Inc. Siderurgica Venezolana Sivensa S.A. ADR Siderurgica Venezolana Sivensa S.A. Series B Xcelera Inc.	13,409 61,513 425 38
Total commo	on stocks (cost \$22,853,050)	\$ 23,165,594
165,000	Bonds - 0.00% of net assets Republic of Cuba - 4.5%, 1977 - in default (cost \$63,038)	
2,000,000	U.S. Treasury Obligations - 7.84% of net assets U.S. Treasury Bills due 4/15/2010, 0% coupon (cost \$1,999,938)	\$ 1,999,938
Other asset	ts less liabilities - 1.41% of net assets	\$ 359,238
Net assets	- 100% (applicable to 3,713,070 shares; equivalent to \$6.87 per share)	\$ 25,524,770

Security Valuation

The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("SFAS No. 157"), effective January 1, 2008. Under SFAS No. 157, fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e., the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

In determining fair value, the Fund uses various valuation approaches. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Fund. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund's assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three levels based on the inputs as follows:

- Level 1: 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)

The availability of valuation techniques and observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors including the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, and other characteristics particular to the transaction. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Those estimated values do not necessarily represent the amounts that may be ultimately realized due to the occurrence of future circumstances that cannot be reasonably determined. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, those estimated values may be materially higher or lower than the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised by the Fund in determining fair value is greatest for securities categorized in Level 3. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Fair value is a market-based measure considered from the perspective of a market participant rather than an entity-specific measure. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, the Fund's own assumptions are set to reflect those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. The Fund uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, including periods of market dislocation. In periods of market dislocation, the observability of prices and inputs may be reduced for many securities. This condition could cause a security to be reclassified to a lower level within the fair value hierarchy.

The following table summarizes the valuation of the Fund's investments by the above fair value hierarchy levels as of March 31, 2010:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets (at fair value)				
Common Stocks	\$23,165,131	\$463	\$0	\$23,165,594
Debt Securities	0	1,999,938	0	1,999,938
Total Investments in securities	\$23,165,131	\$2,000,401	\$0	\$25,165,532

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

Balance December 31, 2009	Common Stocks	Bonds	Total
	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Cost of purchases	0	0	0
Change in unrealized depreciation	(25,000)	0	(25,000)
Transfers in or out of Level 3	0	0	0
Balance March 31, 2010	\$0	\$0	\$0

ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this Form N-Q that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS

The certifications required by Rule 30a-2 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, is attached as an exhibit to this filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc.

By /s/ Thomas J. Herzfeld

Thomas J. Herzfeld Chairman and President

Date: May 19, 2010

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

By /s/ Thomas J. Herzfeld

Thomas J. Herzfeld Chairman and President

Date: May 19, 2010

By /s/ Cecilia L. Gondor -----Cecilia L. Gondor Treasurer

Date: May 19, 2010