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MARKETS FUND, INC.

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INVESTMENTS

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PRESIDENT
TEMPLETON EMERGING
MARKETS FUND, INC.

Mark Mobius has been living in emerging market countries since earning his Ph.D. in economics and political science at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1964. During his extensive travels, he has acquired a thorough knowledge of business practices and customs unique to developing nations.

SHAREHOLDER LETTER

YOUR FUND'S GOAL: TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND SEEKS LONG-TERM CAPITAL
APPRECIATION BY INVESTING PRIMARILY IN EMERGING COUNTRY EQUITY SECURITIES.

Dear Shareholder:

This semiannual report for Templeton Emerging Markets Fund covers the period ended February 28, 2002. The global macroeconomic environment throughout the six months under review was extremely challenging. During the first half of the period, this was reflected in severe market volatility worldwide and falling equity valuations in many markets. However, the latter half saw many stock markets rebound as investors reevaluated their portfolios and began accumulating shares trading at attractive valuations.

Several characteristics marked the period, including stalled U.S. economic growth, continued economic anemia in Japan, Argentina's political and economic upheaval, China's entry into the World Trade Organization (WTO), weak demand for technology-related products worldwide (especially in the telecommunications and PC industries), and the September terrorist attacks in the U.S. and military action in Afghanistan. These factors contributed to a high degree of investor uncertainty for developed and emerging markets.

The dollar value, number of shares or principal value, and complete legal titles of all portfolio holdings are listed in the Fund's Statement of Investments (SOI). The SOI begins on page 11.

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FUND CATEGORY
Global
Growth
Growth & Income
Income
Tax-Free Income

"MOST ASIAN ECONOMIES BENEFITED FROM LOWER U.S. INTEREST RATES AND IMPROVING REGIONAL COOPERATION INITIATIVES. ..."

However, market expectations for a U.S. recovery in 2002 and repeated interest rates cuts by the U.S. Federal Reserve Board led to some recuperation in many markets during the final quarter of 2001, continuing into early 2002.

Most Asian economies benefited from lower U.S. interest rates and improving regional cooperation initiatives, and we believe a gradual recovery, along with active reforms and restructuring, could increase domestic demand as well. For the six months ended February 28, 2002, the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) South Korea Index increased 55.41%, as the country recorded higher growth than its Asian neighbors, and technology-related stocks experienced substantial price increases as investors returned to the sector after the 2000 technology crash. 1 Taiwan's stock market benefited from the island's acceptance into the WTO, investors seeking to take advantage of relatively cheap technology stocks, and Taiwan's stabilizing political situation as President Chen Shui-bian's Democratic Progressive Party replaced the Kuomintang as the largest party in the legislature. In China, the nation's accession into the WTO, its successful bid to host the 2008 Olympic Games and the mainland market's opening up led foreign direct investment into the country to increase 14.9% in 2001 compared with 2000. 2 In addition, China's rapid economic growth further attracted investors.

During the six months under review, Argentina's economic uncertainty affected most Latin American equity markets. We believe de la Rúa's resignation and the installation of a new government should allow the country to work toward solving its

1. Source: Standard & Poor's Micropal. The MSCI South Korea Index measures the total return (dividends are reinvested) of equity securities in South Korea. Securities included in the index are market capitalization-weighted. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of the Fund's portfolio.

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2. Source: Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation.

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problems rather than prolonging them. Longer term, we expect the new government to focus on reviving the economy as a whole. In Brazil, presidential elections scheduled for this year may divert attention from the implementation of needed reforms; however, we believe Brazil will continue working on achieving long-term economic recovery and attracting foreign investment. Elsewhere in the region, Mexico's sovereign debt was upgraded to investment-grade status, clearly underlining the country's financial and economic stability.

As a region, Eastern Europe was the strongest performer, and the MSCI Emerging Markets Eastern Europe Index gained 21.17% for the six-month period ended February 28, 2002. Eastern Europe managed to remain relatively unscathed by the slowing U.S. economy, which gripped Asia and Latin America. In addition, aspirations of convergence to European Monetary Union (EMU) standards pushed most markets to strive for positive change. In our opinion, Poland is one of the region's most interesting countries because its solid economic fundamentals, high foreign reserves and reforms resulting from its anticipated accession into the EMU combine to make it an attractive place to invest. In Poland's recent elections, the Democratic Left Alliance emerged victorious and formed a coalition government with the Polish Peasant Party and the Labor Union to establish a majority position. In our opinion, such an agreement could lead to more stability and greater power to implement policy changes. In Turkey, we believe increasing cooperation with the U.S. in the war against terrorism could be working in its favor. Additionally, the International Monetary Fund approved US\$16 billion stand-by credit for the nation. We believe that

3. Source: Standard & Poor's Micropal. The MSCI Emerging Markets Eastern Europe Index measures the total return (dividends are reinvested) of equity securities in the emerging markets of Eastern Europe. Securities included in the index are market capitalization-weighted. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of the Fund's portfolio.

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GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION
BASED ON TOTAL NET ASSETS
2/28/02

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ASIA	54.2%
LATIN AMERICA	14.1%
MID-EAST/AFRICA	13.6%
EUROPE	12.4%
SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS & OTHER NET ASSETS	5.7%

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Turkey's growing importance to the western world should provide it with much-needed support to pull itself out of an economic crisis.

Finally, on the African continent, expansionary fiscal policies in the form of lower taxes and increased government investment could help South Africa's gross domestic product growth remain higher than the global average. In addition, a strengthening economy should further support the country's recovery. In our opinion, South Africa's market is highly regarded because of its sound judicial and regulatory structures, as well as the adherence of the listed companies to accepted codes of corporate governance.

Within this environment, the MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index returned 12.45% in U.S. dollar terms for the six months ended February 28, 2002. 4 During the same time, Templeton Emerging Markets Fund posted a +4.52% cumulative total return in market-price terms and +15.28% in net asset value terms, as shown in the Performance Summary on page 8. We attribute the Fund's performance largely to our fundamental investment approach, focusing on companies and not on top-down analysis of economies or sectors.

We increased our Asian exposure during the reporting period, as we believe Asian economies stand to benefit from growing demand for exports. During the period, we made substantial purchases in Taiwan. The technology crash and reduced export demand for electronics, especially from the U.S., led many share prices to fall substantially, and the Fund increased its exposure to what we consider strong companies with

4. Source: Standard & Poor's Micropal. The unmanaged MSCI Emerging Markets Free Index measures the total return (dividends are reinvested) of equity securities in emerging markets globally. Only securities available to foreign (non-local) investors are included. Securities included in the index are market capitalization-weighted. One cannot invest directly in an index, nor is an index representative of the Fund's portfolio.

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superior technology at attractive prices. We increased our holdings in China Red Chip companies, as we believe many of them are well-positioned to benefit from China's accession into the WTO and the subsequent implementation of reforms. We also added a number of what we believed were attractively priced South Korean stocks, which in our opinion combine solid technological and production expertise with improving financial management skills and attractive valuations.

In Latin America, the Fund's exposure to Mexico was decreased as a general economic slowdown impacted corporate earnings. During the six-month period, we found several Mexican stocks trading at what we believed were attractive valuations. We increased our Brazilian exposure, as we believe that Brazil's improving trade and fiscal accounts combined with moderate impact from Argentina's situation could allow the country to benefit from greater capital inflows. During the reporting period, the Fund's exposure to South Africa fell slightly due to the country's weakening currency. Over the long-term, however, we believe the Fund should benefit from its South African holdings, and as a result we made some additional purchases during the period. The uncertainty over the Middle East peace process and the technology sector correction provided us with an attractive entry point into Israel, in our opinion, and we took the opportunity to purchase shares of companies trading at what were in our view appealing valuations. Furthermore, we expect the Fund to benefit over the long

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term from its investments in Turkey.

Due to the portfolio activity mentioned above and changes in value of individual stocks during the reporting period, Mexico's Cemex and Telmex and Hong Kong's Cheung Kong Holdings fell out of the Fund's top 10 list. Poland's PKN, Turkey's Akbank

TOP 10 COUNTRIES

Based on Equity Investments

2/28/02

	% OF TOTAL NET ASSETS

South Africa	12.9%
Taiwan	10.4%
South Korea	7.3%
Mexico	6.8%
Hong Kong	6.7%
Brazil	6.0%
Thailand	5.6%
Turkey	5.5%
China	5.1%
Singapore	4.1%

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and Brazil's Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras replaced them as of February 28, 2002.

Looking forward, we are optimistic about the long-term prospects for emerging markets in general and for Templeton Emerging Markets Fund. Repeated interest rate cuts by the U.S. Federal Reserve Board helped many markets. Many observers expect the U.S. economy to recover in the second half of 2002, and we are already seeing signs of a pick-up in a number of markets where we have investments. Recent reports indicate a gradual recovery of semiconductor prices and improving profit margins in cyclical industries, which we expect to continue. We believe that the discipline imposed by our bottom-up, value orientation has guided us well, and we expect this strategy to bring long-term benefits to our shareholders.

It is important to note that investing in foreign securities involves special risks, such as adverse economic, social and political developments in the countries where the Fund invests, as well as market and currency volatility. Emerging markets securities involve heightened risks related to the same factors, in addition to those associated with their relatively small size and lesser liquidity. Investing in any emerging market means accepting a certain

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amount of volatility and, in some cases, the consequences of severe market corrections. For example, Hong Kong's equity market has increased 491% in the last 15 calendar years, but has suffered 12 quarterly declines of more than 15% each during that time. 5 While short-term volatility can be disconcerting, declines exceeding 50% are not unusual in emerging markets.

5. Source: Hong Kong's Hang Seng Index. Based on quarterly percentage price change over 15 years ended 12/31/01. Market return is measured in U.S. dollars and does not include reinvested dividends. The unmanaged Hang Seng Index is a capitalization-weighted index of 33 companies that represent approximately 70% of the total market capitalization of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong. The components of the index are divided into four sub-indexes: Finance, Utilities, Properties and Commerce & Industry.

TOP 10 EQUITY HOLDINGS 2/28/02

COMPANY SECTOR/INDUSTRY, COUNTRY	% OF TOTAL NET ASSETS

South African Breweries PLC BEVERAGES, SOUTH AFRICA	3.3%
Kimberly Clark de Mexico SA de CV, A PAPER & FOREST PRODUCTS, MEXICO	2.7%
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIPMENT & PRODUCTS, SOUTH KOREA	2.4%
PT Telekomunikasi Indonesia (Persero) TBK, B DIVERSIFIED TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES, INDONESIA	2.1%
Banco Bradesco SA, pfd. BANKS, BRAZIL	1.9%
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras SA (Eletrobras), common & pfd. ELECTRIC UTILITIES, BRAZIL	1.7%
Polski Koncern Naftowy Orlen SA OIL & GAS, POLAND	1.6%
Remgro Ltd. INDUSTRIAL CONGLOMERATES, SOUTH AFRICA	1.6%
Akbank BANKS, TURKEY	1.6%
Fraser & Neave Ltd.	1.5%

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BEVERAGES, SINGAPORE

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Thank you for your continued participation in Templeton Emerging Markets Fund. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

/S/ MARK MOBIUS
Mark Mobius
President
Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc.

This discussion reflects our views, opinions and portfolio holdings as of February 28, 2002, the end of the reporting period. The information provided is not a complete analysis of every aspect of any country, industry, security or the Fund. Our strategies and the Fund's portfolio composition will change depending on market and economic conditions. Although historical performance is no guarantee of future results, these insights may help you understand our investment and management philosophy.

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY AS OF 2/28/02

DISTRIBUTIONS AND RETURNS WILL VARY BASED ON EARNINGS OF THE FUND'S PORTFOLIO AND ANY PROFITS REALIZED FROM THE SALE OF THE PORTFOLIO'S SECURITIES, AS WELL AS THE LEVEL OF THE FUND'S OPERATING EXPENSES. ALL TOTAL RETURNS INCLUDE REINVESTED DISTRIBUTIONS ACCORDING TO THE TERMS SPECIFIED IN THE FUND'S DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND CASH PURCHASE PLAN AND DO NOT REFLECT ANY SALES CHARGES PAID AT INCEPTION OR BROKERAGE COMMISSIONS PAID ON SECONDARY MARKET PURCHASES. THE PERFORMANCE TABLE DOES NOT REFLECT THE DEDUCTION OF TAXES THAT A SHAREHOLDER WOULD PAY ON FUND DISTRIBUTIONS OR THE SALE OF FUND SHARES.

PRICE AND DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

	CHANGE	2/28/02	8/31/01
Net Asset Value (NAV)	+\$0.27	\$9.13	\$8.86
Market Price (NYSE)	+\$1.14	\$9.49	\$8.35
DISTRIBUTIONS (9/1/01-2/28/02)			
Dividend Income	\$0.1073		

PERFORMANCE

	6-MONTH	1-YEAR	5-YEAR	10-YEAR

Cumulative Total Return 1				
Based on change in net asset value	+4.52%	-4.14%	-16.90%	+82.28%

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Based on change in market price	+15.28%	+10.51%	-16.20%	+68.37%
Average Annual Total Return 1				
Based on change in net asset value	+4.52%	-4.14%	-3.64%	+6.19%
Based on change in market price	+15.28%	+10.51%	-3.47%	+5.35%

1. Total return calculations represent the cumulative and average annual changes in value of an investment over the periods indicated. Six-month return has not been annualized.

Ongoing stock market volatility can dramatically change the Fund's short-term performance; current results may differ. Since markets can go down as well as up, investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions, currency volatility and the economic, social and political climates of countries where the Fund invests. Emerging markets involve heightened risks related to the same factors, in addition to those associated with their relatively small size and lesser liquidity. You may have a gain or loss when you sell your shares.

For updated performance figures, please call Franklin Templeton Investments at 1-800/342-5236.

Past performance does not guarantee future results.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NAMES RULE. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission adopted new Rule 35d-1 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Names Rule"), requiring a fund with a name suggesting a focus in a particular type of investment, in a particular industry, or in a particular geographic region, to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in the type of investment, industry or geographic region suggested by its name.

Consistent with the Names Rule, in July 2001, the Fund's Board of Directors adopted a non-fundamental investment policy to invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of the Fund's net assets in "emerging country equity securities," effective July 31, 2002. In accordance with the Names Rule, the Fund has also adopted a non-fundamental policy to provide shareholders with 60 days' advance notice of any change to the foregoing 80% investment policy. The Fund's current non-fundamental investment policy is to invest at least 75% of its total assets in "emerging country equity securities."

SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAM. On November 28, 2000, the Board of Directors of the Fund authorized management to implement an open-market share repurchase program pursuant to which the Fund may purchase, from time to time, shares of the Fund's common stock in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management. This authorization remains in effect.

ANNUAL MEETING. On February 8, 2002, Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc.,

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announced that its 2002 Annual Meeting of Shareholders is currently scheduled to be held on August 26, 2002.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC. Financial Highlights

	SIX MONTHS ENDED		YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31,		
	FEBRUARY 28, 2002	2001	2000	1999	1998
	(UNAUDITED)				
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PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE+					
(for a share outstanding throughout the period)					
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$8.86	\$11.44	\$11.60	\$10.85	\$20.6
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Income from investment operations:					
Net investment income04	.12	.13	.13	.2
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)34	(2.60)	(.16)	5.17	(7.6
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Total from investment operations38	(2.48)	(.03)	5.30	(7.3
Less distributions from:					
Net investment income	(.11)	(.10)	(.10)	(.29)	(.2
Net realized gains	--	--	(.03)	(4.26)	(2.1
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	(.11)	(.10)	(.13)	(4.55)	(2.4
Net asset value, end of period	\$9.13	\$8.86	\$11.44	\$11.60	\$10.8
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Market value, end of period a	\$9.4900	\$8.3500	\$9.3125	\$12.2500	\$9.187
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Total return (based on market value per share)* .	15.28%	(9.17)%	(23.10)%	99.91%	(54.35)
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RATIOS/SUPPLEMENTAL DATA					
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$161,275	\$156,378	\$201,965	\$204,804	\$182,35
Ratios to average net assets:					
Expenses	1.61%**	1.67%	1.68%	1.63%	1.70
Net investment income95%**	1.28%	1.09%	1.18%	1.58
Portfolio turnover rate	34.52%	63.64%	81.66%	45.00%	40.51

*Total return is not annualized.

**Annualized.

+Based on average weighted shares outstanding effective year ended August 31, 1999.

a Based on the last sale on the New York Stock Exchange.

See notes to financial statements.

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	INDUSTRY	SHAR

COMMON STOCKS 89.2%		
ARGENTINA 1.0%		
*BBVA Banco Frances SA, ADR	Banks	9
*Capex SA, GDR, 144A	Electric Utilities	12
*Molinos Rio de la Plata SA, B	Food Products	170
Perez Companc SA, B, ADR	Oil & Gas	32
Quilmes Industrial SA, ADR	Beverages	78
AUSTRIA 3.0%		
BBAG Oesterreichische Brau-Beteiligungs AG	Beverages	7
Erste Bank der Oester Sparkassen AG	Banks	30
Mayr-Melnhof Karton AG	Containers & Packaging	9
OMV AG	Oil & Gas	26
BRAZIL 1.7%		
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras SA (Eletrobras) ..	Electric Utilities	94,818
Embraer-Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA	Aerospace & Defense	25
Embraer-Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA, ADR	Aerospace & Defense	19
Unibanco Uniao de Bancos Brasileiros SA, GDR	Banks	21
*CHILE		
Quinenco SA, ADR	Industrial Conglomerates	5
CHINA 5.1%		
China Eastern Airline Corp. Ltd., H	Airlines	4,846
China Everbright Ltd.	Diversified Financials	728
*China Mobile (Hong Kong) Ltd.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	326
China Petroleum & Chemical Corp., H	Oil & Gas	11,200
China Resources Enterprise Ltd.	Distributors	1,366
China Shipping Development Co. Ltd., H	Marine	942
*China Southern Airlines Co. Ltd., H	Airlines	210
*China Unicom Ltd.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	1,852
Guangshen Railway Co. Ltd., H	Road & Rail	424
PetroChina Co. Ltd., H	Oil & Gas	1,688
Qingling Motors Co. Ltd., H	Automobiles	1,188
Sinopec Shanghai Petrochemical Co. Ltd.	Chemicals	2,216
Sinopec Zhenhai Refining & Chemical Co. Ltd., H..	Oil & Gas	148
TCL International Holdings Inc.	Household Durables	158
COLOMBIA .1%		
Compania Nacional de Chocolates SA	Food Products	58
CROATIA .5%		
Pliva D D, GDR, Reg S	Pharmaceuticals	63

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	INDUSTRY	SHARE

COMMON STOCKS (CONT.)		
CZECH REPUBLIC .8%		
CEZ AS	Electric Utilities	468
Philip Morris CR AS	Tobacco	1
EGYPT .6%		
*Al Ahram Beverages Co., GDR	Beverages	42
Commercial International Bank Ltd.	Banks	115
*ESTONIA .5%		
Hansabank Ltd.	Banks	62
GREECE .6%		
Coca-Cola Hellenic Bottling Company SA	Beverages	34
Hellenic Telecommunications Organization SA	Diversified Telecommunication Services	30
HONG KONG 6.7%		
Beijing Enterprises Holdings Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	570
Cheung Kong Holdings Ltd.	Real Estate	195
Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Ltd.	Construction Materials	98
China Merchants Holdings International Co. Ltd. ...	Industrial Conglomerates	1,867
China Travel International Investment Hong Kong Ltd.	Hotels Restaurants & Leisure	528
Citic Pacific Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	1,048
Cosco Pacific Ltd.	Transportation Infrastructure	2,406
*Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd.	Food & Drug Retailing	81
Giordano International Ltd.	Specialty Retail	640
Hang Lung Development Co. Ltd.	Real Estate	421
Henderson Investment Ltd.	Real Estate	280
Hutchison Whampoa Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	66
Jiangsu Expressway Co. Ltd.	Transportation Infrastructure	586
Legend Holdings Ltd.	Computers & Peripherals	1,098
MTR Corp. Ltd.	Road & Rail	274
Shanghai Industrial Holdings Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	417
Sun Hung Kai Properties Ltd.	Real Estate	18
Television Broadcasts Ltd.	Media	9
HUNGARY 2.2%		
Egis RT	Pharmaceuticals	4
Gedeon Richter Ltd.	Pharmaceuticals	18

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Matav RT	Diversified Telecommunication Services	231
Mol Magyar Olaj-Es Gazipari RT	Oil & Gas	82

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	INDUSTRY	SHARES

COMMON STOCKS (CONT.)		
INDIA 3.5%		
Bajaj Auto Ltd.	Automobiles	3
Grasim Industries Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	151
Gujarat Ambuja Cements Ltd.	Construction Materials	35
Hindalco Industries Inc.	Metals & Mining	7
Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd.	Oil & Gas	18
Hughes Software Systems Ltd.	IT Consulting & Services	23
ITC Ltd.	Tobacco	68
Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd.	Diversified Telecommunication Services	135
Satyam Computers Services Ltd.	IT Consulting & Services	168
*Tata Engineering & Locomotive Co.	Automobiles	136
Tata Power Co. Ltd.	Electric Utilities	66
Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd.	Diversified Telecommunication Services	53
Zee Telefilms Ltd.	Media	344
INDONESIA 3.9%		
*PT Gudang Garam TBK	Tobacco	418
PT Hanjaya Mandala Sampoerna TBK	Tobacco	467
*PT Indocement Tunggul Prakarsa TBK	Construction Materials	240
PT Indofoods Sukses Makmur TBK	Food Products	10,582
PT Indosat (Persero) TBK	Diversified Telecommunication Services	1,440
PT Semen Gresik (Persero) TBK	Construction Materials	99
PT Telekomunikasi Indonesia (Persero) TBK, B ...	Diversified Telecommunication Services	9,315
PT Timah TBK	Metals & Mining	400
*ISRAEL .1%		
Ectel Ltd.	Diversified Telecommunication Services	5
Lumenis Ltd.	Health Care Equipment & Supplies	15
MALAYSIA .8%		
Genting Bhd.	Hotels Restaurants & Leisure	388
SIME Darby Bhd.	Industrial Conglomerates	7

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MEXICO 6.8%		
Cemex SA	Construction Materials	403
DESC SA de CV DESC, B	Industrial Conglomerates	278
Fomento Economico Mexicano SA de CV Femsa	Beverages	42
*Grupo Carso SA de CV	Industrial Conglomerates	325
*Grupo Financiero Banorte SA de CV, O	Banks	62
Kimberly Clark de Mexico SA de CV, A	Paper & Forest Products	1,393
*Organizacion Soriana SA de CV, B	Multiline Retail	44
Telefonos de Mexico SA de CV (Telmex), L, ADR ...	Diversified Telecommunication Services	31
*Tubos de Acero de Mexico SA, ADR	Energy Equipment & Services	31

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	INDUSTRY	SHARES

COMMON STOCKS (CONT.)		
PERU .2%		
Credicorp Ltd.	Banks	25
PHILIPPINES 1.3%		
San Miguel Corp., B	Beverages	1,769
POLAND 2.0%		
Bank Rozwoju Eksportu SA	Banks	8
Polski Koncern Naftowy Orlen SA	Oil & Gas	551
*Telekomunikacja Polska SA	Diversified Telecommunication Services	101
RUSSIA 2.7%		
GUM Trade House	Multiline Retail	27
Lukoil Holdings, ADR	Oil & Gas	34
Mosenergo, ADR	Electric Utilities	100
Rostelecom, ADR	Diversified Telecommunication Services	76
Unified Energy Systems	Electric Utilities	11,144
SINGAPORE 4.1%		
Cycle & Carriage Ltd.	Distributors	84
Datacraft Asia Ltd.	Communications Equipment	66
DBS Group Holdings Ltd.	Banks	30
Fraser & Neave Ltd.	Beverages	560
Keppel Corp. Ltd.	Diversified Financials	745
Sembcorp Marine Ltd.	Machinery	20
Singapore Airlines Ltd.	Airlines	113

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Singapore Press Holdings Ltd.	Media	36
Singapore Telecommunications Ltd.	Diversified Telecommunication Services	798
SLOVAK REPUBLIC .1%		
Slovnaft AS	Oil & Gas	6
SOUTH AFRICA 12.9%		
ABSA Group Ltd.	Banks	47
Alexander Forbes Ltd.	Diversified Financials	54
Anglo American PLC	Metals & Mining	8
Barloworld Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	366
Firststrand Ltd.	Banks	1,109
Gold Fields Ltd.	Metals & Mining	87
Impala Platinum Holdings Ltd.	Metals & Mining	6
Imperial Holdings Ltd.	Specialty Retail	120
Johnnic Holdings Ltd.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	17
Liberty Group Ltd.	Insurance	204
Nampak Ltd.	Containers & Packaging	124
Nedcor Ltd.	Banks	1
Old Mutual PLC	Insurance	1,023
Remgro Ltd.	Industrial Conglomerates	457

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	INDUSTRY	SHAR

COMMON STOCKS (CONT.)		
SOUTH AFRICA (CONT.)		
Reunert Ltd.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	211
Sanlam Ltd.	Insurance	1,215
Sasol Ltd.	Oil & Gas	229
South African Breweries PLC	Beverages	783
Tiger Brands Ltd.	Food Products	256
Tongaat-Hulett Group Ltd.	Food Products	128
*Venfin Ltd.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	94
SOUTH KOREA 7.3%		
Cheil Jedang Corp.	Food Products	26
*Daelim Industrial Co.	Construction & Engineering	56
*Hankook Tire Co. Ltd.	Auto Components	103
Honam Petrochemical Corp.	Chemicals	3
*Hyundai Development Co.	Construction & Engineering	29
Hyundai Motor Co. Ltd.	Automobiles	18
*Jahwa Electronics Co. Ltd.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	13
Kangwon Land Inc.	Hotels Restaurants & Leisure	6
Kookmin Bank	Banks	

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Kookmin Credit Card Co. Ltd.	Diversified Financials	11
Korea Electric Power Corp.	Electric Utilities	44
*KT Freetel	Wireless Telecommunication Services	14
LG Household & Health Care Ltd.	Household Products	9
Samsung Electro-Mechanics Co.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	9
Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd.	Semiconductor Equipment & Products	14
*Samsung Fine Chemicals	Chemicals	23
Samsung SDI Co. Ltd.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	5
Samsung Securities Co. Ltd.	Diversified Financials	9
SK Telecom Co. Ltd.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	3
TAIWAN 10.4%		
Acer Communications & Multimedia Inc.	Computers & Peripherals	378
Advantech Co. Ltd.	Computers & Peripherals	183
Asustek Computer Inc.	Computers & Peripherals	189
*Bank Sinopac	Banks	935
China Motor Co. Ltd.	Automobiles	399
Chinatrust Commercial Bank	Banks	767
Chunghwa Telcom Co. Ltd.	Diversified Telecommunication Services	274
CMC Magnetics Corp.	Computers & Peripherals	1,079
Compal Electronics Inc.	Computers & Peripherals	299
*Compeq Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	Computers & Peripherals	698
D-Link Corp.	Communications Equipment	327
*DBTEL Incorporated	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	139
Elan Microelectronics Corp.	Software	249
Formosa Plastic Corp.	Chemicals	656
*Fubon Group Co. Ltd.	Diversified Financials	370

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS, FEBRUARY 28, 2002 (UNAUDITED) (CONT.)

	INDUSTRY	SHARE

COMMON STOCKS (CONT.)		
TAIWAN (CONT.)		
Giant Manufacturing Co.	Leisure Equipment & Products	425
International Commercial Bank of China	Banks	1,275
*Pacific Electric Wire & Cable Co. Ltd.	Electrical Equipment	1,726
Phoenixtec Power Co. Ltd.	Electrical Equipment	520
*Pou Chen Corp.	Textiles & Apparel	374
*Procomp Informatics Co. Ltd.	Machinery	623
Ritek Corp.	Computers & Peripherals	1,117
*Siliconware Precision Industries Co. Ltd.	Semiconductor Equipment & Products	1,033
Sunplus Technology Company Ltd.	Semiconductor Equipment & Products	52
*Taiwan Cellular Corp.	Communications Equipment	232
*Taiwan Cement Corp.	Construction Materials	1,209
Taiwan Glass Industrial Corp.	Building Products	377
UNI-President Enterprises Corp.	Food Products	1,295

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*Walsin Lihwa Corp.	Electrical Equipment	1,182
Walsin Technology	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	243
*Wintek Corp.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	632
*Yageo Corp.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	1,005
*Yuanta Core Pacific Securities Co.	Diversified Financials	990
THAILAND 4.8%		
*Bangkok Bank Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Banks	614
Electricity Generating Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Electric Utilities	92
Hana Microelectronics Co. Ltd., fgn.	Electronic Equipment & Instruments	92
PTT Exploration & Production Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Oil & Gas	332
*PTT Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Oil & Gas	206
*Shin Corporation Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Wireless Telecommunication Services	3,184
*Siam Cement Public Co. Ltd.	Building Products	41
Siam Cement Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Construction Materials	90
*Thai Farmers Bank Public Co. Ltd., fgn.	Banks	2,482
TURKEY 5.5%		
Akbank	Banks	987,998
Arcelik AS, Br.	Household Durables	113,993
*Dogan Sirketler Grubu Holding AS	Diversified Financials	51,880
*Haci Omer Sabanci Holding AS	Diversified Financials	167,315
KOC Holding AS	Diversified Financials	55,931
Migros Turk T.A.S.	Food & Drug Retailing	1,300
*Tofas Turk Otomobil Fabrikasi AS	Automobiles	22,062
Tupras-Turkiye Petrol Rafineleri AS	Oil & Gas	332,281
*Vestel Elektronik Sanayi ve Ticaret AS	Household Durables	104,320
*Yapi ve Kredi Bankasi AS	Banks	402,000
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (COST \$143,086,104)		

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS, FEBRUARY 28, 2002 (UNAUDITED) (CONT.)

	INDUSTRY	SHARES

PREFERRED STOCKS 5.1%		
Aracruz Celulose SA, ADR, pfd.	Paper & Forest Products	8
Banco Bradesco SA, pfd.	Banks	516,470
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras SA (Eletrobras), B, pfd.	Electric Utilities	69,906
Cia de Bebidas Das Americas (Ambev), ADR, pfd.	Beverages	4,590
Cia Vale do Rio Doce, A, pfd.	Metals & Mining	16
Companhia Paranaense de Energia-Copel, B, pfd.	Electric Utilities	83,961
Duratex SA, pfd.	Building Products	7,606

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Embotelladora Andina SA, A, pfd.	Beverages	15
Petroleo Brasileiro SA, pfd.	Oil & Gas	14
*Siam Commercial Bank, 5.25%, fgn., cvt. pfd.	Banks	2,283
TOTAL PREFERRED STOCKS (COST \$8,707,686)		
a SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS (COST \$6,142,512) 3.8%		
Franklin Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio		6,142
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (COST \$157,936,302) 98.1%		
OTHER ASSETS, LESS LIABILITIES 1.9%		
TOTAL NET ASSETS 100.0%		

*Non-income producing.

a The Franklin Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio is managed by Franklin Advisers Inc., an affiliate of Franklin Resources Inc.

See notes to financial statements.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FEBRUARY 28, 2002 (UNAUDITED)

Assets:

Investments in securities, at value (cost \$157,936,302)	\$158
Cash	
Receivables:	
Investment securities sold	4
Dividends and interest	
Total assets	162

Liabilities:

Payables:	
Investment securities purchased	1
To affiliates	
Accrued expenses	
Total liabilities	1

Net assets, at value

\$161

Net assets consist of:

Undistributed net investment income	\$
Net unrealized appreciation	
Accumulated net realized loss	(44
Capital shares	204

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Net assets, at value	\$161
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Net asset value per share (\$161,274,518 / 17,656,437 shares outstanding)	
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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
Financial Statements (CONTINUED)

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2002 (UNAUDITED)

Investment Income:	
(net of foreign taxes of \$156,826)	
Dividends	\$ 1,891,656
Interest	15,187

Total investment income	\$ 1
Expenses:	
Management fees (Note 3)	901,545
Administrative fees (Note 3)	111,786
Transfer agent fees	35,500
Custodian fees	77,300
Reports to shareholders	13,500
Registration and filing fees	33,250
Professional fees	4,800
Directors' fees and expenses	22,500
Other	1,700

Total expenses	1

Net investment income	

Realized and unrealized gains (losses):	
Net realized loss from:	
Investments	(11,257,619)
Foreign currency transactions	(218,376)

Net realized loss	(11
Net unrealized appreciation on:	
Investments	17,491,495
Translation of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies ..	70,733

Net unrealized appreciation on investments	17

Net realized and unrealized gain	6

Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 6
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See notes to financial statements.

TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
Financial Statements (CONTINUED)

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2002 (UNAUDITED)
AND THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2001

	SIX MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2002	YEA AUGUS
Increase (decrease) in net assets:		
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 704,962	\$ 2
Net realized loss from investments and foreign currency transactions ...	(11,475,995)	(28
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and translation of		
assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies	17,562,228	(17
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	6,791,195	(43
Distributions to shareholders from net investment income	(1,894,536)	(1
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	4,896,659	(45
Net assets:		
Beginning of period	156,377,859	201
End of period	\$161,274,518	\$156
Undistributed net investment income included in net assets:		
End of period	\$ 479,309	\$ 1

See notes to financial statements.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited)

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc. (the Fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 as a closed-end, diversified investment company. The Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing mainly in emerging country equity securities. The following summarizes the Fund's significant accounting policies.

A. SECURITY VALUATION

Securities listed or traded on a recognized national exchange or NASDAQ are valued at the latest reported sales price. Over-the-counter securities and listed securities for which no sale is reported are valued within the range of the latest quoted bid and asked prices. Securities for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined by management

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in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Directors.

B. FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

Portfolio securities and other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rate of such currencies against U.S. dollars on the date of valuation. Purchases and sales of securities and income items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the transaction date.

The Fund does not separately report the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates from changes in market prices on securities held. Such changes are included in net realized and unrealized gain or loss from investments.

Realized foreign exchange gains or losses arise from sales of foreign currencies, currency gains or losses realized between the trade and settlement dates on securities transactions, and the difference between the recorded amounts of dividends, interest, and foreign withholding taxes and the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts actually received or paid. Net unrealized foreign exchange gains and losses arise from changes in foreign exchange rates on foreign denominated assets and liabilities other than investments in securities held at the end of the reporting period.

C. FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS

When the Fund purchases or sells foreign securities it may enter into foreign exchange contracts to minimize foreign exchange risk from the trade date to the settlement date of the transactions. A foreign exchange contract is an agreement between two parties to exchange different currencies at an agreed upon exchange rate on a specified date. Realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the Statement of Operations.

The risks of these contracts include movement in the values of the foreign currencies relative to the U.S. dollar and the possible inability of the counterparties to fulfill their obligations under the contracts.

D. INCOME TAXES

No provision has been made for income taxes because the Fund's policy is to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code and to distribute all of its taxable income.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited) (CONTINUED)

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

E. SECURITY TRANSACTIONS, INVESTMENT INCOME, EXPENSES AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Security transactions are accounted for on trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on a specific identification basis. Certain income from foreign securities is recorded as soon as information is available to the Fund. Interest income and estimated expenses are accrued daily. Dividend income and distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

F. ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

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The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of income and expense during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

2. CAPITAL SHARES

On November 29, 2000, the Board of Directors of the Fund authorized management to implement an open-market share repurchase program pursuant to which the Fund may purchase, from time to time, shares of the Fund's common stock in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management.

At February 28, 2002, there were 30 million shares authorized (\$0.01 par value). During the period ended February 28, 2002 and the year ended August 31, 2001, there were no share transactions.

3. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES AND RELATED PARTIES

Certain officers of the Fund are also officers or directors of Templeton Asset Management Ltd. (TAML) and Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services), the Fund's investment manager and administrative manager, respectively.

The Fund pays an investment management fee to TAML of 1.25% per year of the Fund's average daily net assets. Management fees were reduced on assets invested in the Franklin Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio (the Sweep Money Fund) in an amount not to exceed the management fees paid by the Sweep Money Fund. The Fund pays an administrative fee monthly to FT Services at an annual rate of 0.15% per year of the Fund's average daily net assets.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.

Notes to Financial Statements (unaudited) (CONTINUED)

4. INCOME TAXES

At February 28, 2002, the cost of investments and net unrealized depreciation for income tax purposes were as follows:

Cost of investments	\$159,453,876

Unrealized appreciation	18,651,656
Unrealized depreciation	(19,872,372)

Net unrealized depreciation	\$ (1,220,716)
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Net investment income and net realized capital gains differ for financial statement and tax purposes primarily due to differing treatments of passive foreign investment companies, wash sales, foreign currency transactions and losses realized subsequent to October 31 on the sale of securities and foreign

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currencies.

At August 31, 2001, the Fund had deferred capital and currency losses occurring subsequent to October 31, 2000 of \$25,355,976 and \$299,663 respectively. For tax purposes, such losses will be reflected in the year ending August 31, 2002.

At August 31, 2001, the Fund had tax basis capital losses which may be carried over to offset future capital gains. Such losses expire as follows:

Capital loss carryovers expiring in:	
2008	\$1,056,614
2009	2,373,131

	\$3,429,745
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5. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of securities (excluding short-term securities) for the period ended February 28, 2002 aggregated \$68,039,128 and \$45,727,722, respectively.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.
Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan

The Fund offers a Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan (the "Plan") with the following features:

Shareholders must affirmatively elect to participate in the Plan; Stock dividends and capital gains distributions will be reinvested automatically; Mellon Investor Services LLC, P.O. Box 3338, South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1938, will provide additional Plan information upon request.

Whenever the Fund declares dividends in either cash or common stock of the Fund, if the market price is equal to or exceeds net asset value at the valuation date, the participant will receive the dividends entirely in stock at a price equal to the net asset value, but not less than 95% of the then current market price of the Fund's shares. If the market price is lower than net asset value or if dividends and/or capital gains distributions are payable only in cash, the participant will receive shares purchased on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise on the open market.

A participant has the option of submitting additional payments to Mellon Securities Trust Company (the "Plan Agent"), in any amounts of at least \$100, up to a maximum of \$5,000 per month, for the purchase of Fund shares for his or her account. These payments shall be made by check or money order payable to "Mellon Securities Trust Company" and sent to Mellon Investor Services LLC, P.O. Box 382009, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-8009, Attn: Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc. The Plan Agent shall apply such payments (less a \$5.00 service charge and less a pro rata share of trading fees) to purchases of the Fund's shares on the open market.

The automatic reinvestment of dividends and/or capital gains does not relieve the participant of any income tax that may be payable on dividends or distributions.

The participant may withdraw from the Plan without penalty at any time by written notice to the Plan Agent sent to Mellon Investor Services LLC, P.O. Box 3338, South Hackensack, NJ 07606-1938. Upon withdrawal, the participant will

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receive, without charge, stock certificates issued in the participant's name for all full shares held by the Plan Agent; or, if the participant wishes, the Plan Agent will sell the participant's shares and send the proceeds, less a service charge of \$5.00 and less trading fees.

Whenever shares are purchased on the New York Stock Exchange or otherwise on the open market, each participant will pay a pro rata portion of trading fees. Trading fees will be deducted from amounts to be invested.

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TEMPLETON EMERGING MARKETS FUND, INC.

TRANSFER AGENT

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SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Shares of Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc. are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "EMF." The Fund's shares are also listed and traded on the Pacific Exchange. Information about the net asset value and the market price is published each Monday in the WALL STREET JOURNAL, weekly in BARRON'S and each Saturday in THE NEW YORK TIMES and other newspapers. Daily market prices for the Fund's shares are published in the New York Stock Exchange Composite Transactions section of newspapers.

For current information about distributions and shareholder accounts, call 1-800-416-5585. Registered shareholders can now access their Fund account on-line with INVESTOR SERVICEDIRECT(SM). For information go to Mellon Investor Services' web site at <https://vault.melloninvestor.com/isd> and follow the instructions.

The daily closing net asset value as of the previous business day may be obtained when available by calling Franklin Templeton Fund Information after 7 a.m. pacific time any business day at 1-800-DIAL BEN(R) (1-800-342-5236). The Fund's net asset value and dividends are also listed on the NASDAQ Stock Market, Inc.'s Mutual Fund Quotation Service ("NASDAQ MFQS").

Shareholders not receiving copies of the reports to shareholders because their shares are registered in the name of a broker or a custodian can request that they be added to the Fund's mailing list by writing Templeton Emerging Markets Fund, Inc., 100 Fountain Parkway, P.O. Box 33030, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-8030.

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Investors should be aware that the value of investments made for the Fund may go down as well as up. Like any investment in securities, the value of the Fund's portfolio will be subject to the risk of loss from market, currency, economic, political and other factors. The Fund and its investors are not protected from such losses by the Investment Manager. Therefore, investors who cannot accept this risk should not invest in shares of the Fund.

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