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Form N-Q  
May 19, 2010

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

Investment Company Act file number 811-06445

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The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

P.O. BOX 161465, MIAMI, FLORIDA 33116

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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

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(Name and address of agent for service)

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

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Date of fiscal year end: 06/30/10

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Date of reporting period: 03/31/10  
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ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

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

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Shares or Principal Amount	Description	Market Value
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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
6,500	Doral Financial Corp.	28,015
50,000	Popular, Inc.	145,500
3,844	W Holding Co., Inc.	38,478
11,000	Western Union Company	186,560
Communications - 12.06%		
35,600	America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A	90,117

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50,891	America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series L	128,535
18,000	America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR	906,120
6,698	Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc.	300,941
11,900	Carso Global Telecom, S.A. de C.V. Series A1	60,952
377,100	Fuego Enterprises, Inc.	13,199
21,120	Grupo Radio Centro, S.A.B. ADR	173,606
32,400	Grupo Televisa, S.A.B. ADR	681,048
80,304	Spanish Broadcasting System Inc.	62,621
15,000	Telefonos de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Series L	234,000
78,600	Telefonos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.B. Series L	61,731
15,000	Telmex International S.A.B. de C.V. ADR	289,200
78,600	Telmex International S.A.B. de C.V. Series L	76,143
	Conglomerates and holdings companies - 0.46%	
250,000	Admiralty Holding Company	175
70,348	BCB Holdings Ltd.	114,714
3,250	Shellshock Ltd. Ord.	2,588
	Construction and related - 4.64%	
51,582	Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. Series CPO	53,109
26,737	Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. ADR	272,985
20	Ceramica Carabobo Class A ADR	--
68,132	Mastec, Inc.	859,145
	Consumer products and related manufacturing - 6.78%	
13,273	Grupo Casa Saba, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR	216,350
26,600	Watsco Incorporated	1,513,008
	Food, beverages and tobacco - 7.62%	
14,000	Chiquita Brands International Inc.	220,220
53,874	Cleanpath Resources Corp.	1,616
19,500	Coca-Cola Femsa, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR	1,295,775
18,900	Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A.B. de C.V. Series UBD	90,182
16,690	Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc.	337,973
	Housing - 2.19%	
32,500	Lennar Corp.	559,325
	Investment companies - 0.01%	
4,420	Shellproof Limited	2,146
	Leisure - 10.00%	
33,500	Carnival Corp.	1,302,480
30,500	Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.	1,006,195
5,500	Steiner Leisure Ltd.	243,760
	Medical - 0.38%	
8,386	Micromet, Inc.	67,759
800	Orthofix International NV	29,104
	Mining - 7.57%	
23,000	Freeport McMoran Copper & Gold, Inc.	1,921,420
3,863	Grupo Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V., Series B	10,377
	Pulp and paper - 0.14%	
6,100	Kimberly-Clark de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A	34,595
	Railroad and landholdings - 4.33%	

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16,000 Norfolk Southern Corporation	894,240
18,000 Rail America, Inc.	212,400
Retail - 1.16%	
1,270 Grupo Elektra, S.A. de C.V. Series CPO	63,885
45,111 Wal-Mart de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series V	231,864
Service - 0.01%	
700 Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V. Series B	3,716
Trucking and marine freight - 11.60%	
12,280 Grupo TMM, S.A.B. ADR	36,594
1,221 Seaboard Corporation	1,586,201
2,000 Seacor Holdings Inc.	161,320
20,000 Teekay Corporation	454,800
8,361 Teekay LNG Partners LP.	249,576
71,497 Trailer Bridge, Inc.	346,760
23,000 Ultrapetrol Bahamas Ltd.	126,270
Utilities - 6.48%	
12,000 Caribbean Utilities Ltd. Class A	102,000
68,241 Consolidated Water, Inc.	907,701
700 Cuban Electric Company	385
40,500 Teco Energy Inc.	643,545
Other - 0.30%	
100,000 Cuba Business Development	--
13,000 Impellam Group	13,409
55,921 Margo Caribe, Inc.	61,513
895 Siderurgica Venezolana Sivensa S.A. ADR	425
79 Siderurgica Venezolana Sivensa S.A. Series B	38
45,000 Xcelera Inc.	--
Total common stocks (cost \$22,853,050)	\$ 23,165,594
Bonds - 0.00% of net assets	
165,000 Republic of Cuba - 4.5%, 1977 - in default (cost \$63,038)	--
U.S. Treasury Obligations - 7.84% of net assets	
2,000,000 U.S. Treasury Bills due 4/15/2010, 0% coupon (cost \$1,999,938)	\$ 1,999,938
Other assets 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.

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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:

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	Common Stocks	Bonds	Total
Balance December 31, 2009	\$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

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 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

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dates indicated.

By /s/ Thomas J. Herzfeld

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Thomas J. Herzfeld  
Chairman and President

Date: May 19, 2010

By /s/ Cecilia L. Gondor

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Cecilia L. Gondor  
Treasurer

Date: May 19, 2010