KOREA FUND INC Form SC TO-I March 20, 2008

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

**SCHEDULE TO** 

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(D)(1) OR 13(E)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

THE KOREA FUND, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (issuer)

THE KOREA FUND, INC.

(Name of Filing Person (offeror))

COMMON STOCK, \$0.01 PAR VALUE PER SHARE

(Title of Class of Securities)

500634100

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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(b) Calculated at

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### **Introductory Statement**

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO relates to an offer by The Korea Fund, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Fund"), to repurchase a pro rata portion of the Fund's portfolio securities (other than (i) securities that are not traded on a public securities market or for which quoted bid and asked prices are not available, (ii) securities that, if distributed, would be required to be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (iii) securities issued by entities in countries that restrict or prohibit the holdings of securities by non-residents other than through qualified investment vehicles, or whose distribution would otherwise be contrary to applicable local rules and regulations, and (iv) securities that involve the assumption of contractual obligations, require special trading facilities, or can be traded only with the counterparty to the transaction), subject to adjustment for fractional shares and odd lots, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Repurchase, dated March 20, 2008 (the "Offer to Repurchase"), and in the related Letter of Transmittal which are filed as exhibits to this Schedule TO.

This Issuer Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO is being filed in satisfaction of the reporting requirements of Rule 13e-4(c)(2) promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The information set forth in the Offer to Repurchase and the related Letter of Transmittal is incorporated herein by reference in answer to Items 1 through 11 of Schedule TO.

Item 12. Exhibits

(a)(1)(i)

Offer to Repurchase, dated March 20, 2008. (a)(1)(ii) Form of Letter of Transmittal. (a)(1)(iii) Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees. (a)(1)(iv) Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery. (a)(1)(v) Form of Letter to Clients of Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees. (a)(2) None. (a)(3) Not Applicable. (a)(4) Not Applicable. (a)(5)(i) Press release issued on March 20, 2008. (b) None. (d) None. (g) None. (h) None. Item 13. Information Required By Schedule 13E-3

Not Applicable.

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## **SIGNATURE**

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

THE

KOREA FUND, INC. Dated:March 20, 2008

By: /s/ Robert Goldstein

Name:Robert Goldstein

Title:President