PUTNAM MASTER INTERMEDIATE INCOME TRUST Form N-Q August 26, 2011

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## **FORM N-Q**

## QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number:	(811-05498)
Exact name of registrant as specified in charter:	Putnam Master Intermediate Income Trust
Address of principal executive offices:	One Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109
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Date of fiscal year end:	September 30, 2011
Date of reporting period:	June 30, 2011

Item 1. Schedule of Investments:

## **Putnam Master Intermediate Income Trust**

The fund's portfolio 6/30/11 (Unaudited)

CORPORATE BONDS AND NOTES (31.3%)<sup>(a)</sup>

Principal amount Value

# FORWARD CURRENCY CONTRACTS at 6/30/11 (aggregate face value \$232,960,949) (Unaudited)

Counterparty	Currency	Contract type	Delivery date	Value	Aggregate face value	Unrealized appreciation/ (depreciation)
Bank of Ameri	ca, N.A.					
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	\$1,940,585	\$1,892,698	\$47,887
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	376,431	376,109	322
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	1,197,355	1,192,479	(4,876)
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	923,477	902,030	(21,447)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	613,653	609,318	4,335
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	243,878	243,877	1
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	1,144,160	1,121,102	(23,058)
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	678,677	675,003	(3,674)
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	397,344	395,404	1,940
	Norwegian Krone	Sell	8/17/11	314,449	309,778	(4,671)
	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	580,587	580,587	_
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	1,118,727	1,118,727	_
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	565,946	566,297	(351)
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	1,097,507	1,081,180	16,327
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	3,006,663	2,947,323	59,340
	Swiss Franc	Sell	8/17/11	1,460,683	1,460,297	(386)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	649,046	649,046	_
	Turkish Lira	Sell	8/17/11	22,705	22,705	_
Barclays Bank						
	Australian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	2,185,559	2,131,872	(53,687)
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	2,069,261	2,053,970	15,291
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	650,226	646,524	(3,702)

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	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	965,359	942,854	(22,505)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	570,303	562,332	7,971
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	314,113	314,113	_
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,574,754	4,487,277	(87,477)
	Hungarian Forint	Sell	8/17/11	852,277	852,277	—
	Indian Rupee	Sell	8/17/11	1,151,797	1,145,221	(6,576)
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	1,054,854	1,049,131	(5,723)
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	594,269	594,269	
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	255,276	254,395	881
	New Zealand Dollar	Sell	7/21/11	440,011	433,691	(6,320)
	Norwegian Krone	Buy	8/17/11	440,736	434,133	6,603
	Philippines Peso	Buy	8/17/11	494,702	494,702	
	Polish Zloty	Sell	8/17/11	321,642	321,642	
	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	580,587	580,587	
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	545,706	545,706	_
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	631,450	621,597	9,853
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	777,776	761,777	15,999
	Swiss Franc	Sell	8/17/11	45,237	45,419	182
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	667,418	667,418	_
	Thai Baht	Buy	8/17/11	480,448	480,448	_
	Turkish Lira	Buy	8/17/11	94,208	94,208	_
Citibank, N.A.		-				
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	680,400	663,514	16,886
	Brazilian Real	Sell	8/17/11	739,226	738,593	(633)
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	3,575,041	3,557,245	(17,796)
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	631,236	616,433	(14,803)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	346,253	339,900	6,353
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	309,929	309,929	_
	Danish Krone	Buy	7/21/11	261,965	263,889	(1,924)
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	1,108,631	1,087,562	(21,069)
	Hungarian Forint	Buy	8/17/11	575,951	575,951	_
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	4,084,977	4,063,217	(21,760)
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	817,978	815,703	2,275
	New Zealand Dollar	Buy	7/21/11	15,706	15,481	225
	Norwegian Krone	Sell	8/17/11	1,513,297	1,491,267	(22,030)
	Polish Zloty	Buy	8/17/11	1,066,433	1,066,433	_
	Singapore Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	127,691	127,691	_
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	529,249	533,829	(4,580)
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	597,263	589,014	8,249
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	358,442	351,624	6,818
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	1,375,090	1,380,774	(5,684)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	592,995	592,995	
	Turkish Lira	Buy	8/17/11	252,055	252,055	
Credit Suisse	AG					
	Australian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	21,446	20,896	(550)
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	612,247	611,375	872
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	2,075,779	2,064,341	(11,438)
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	953,800	930,716	(23,084)
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	15,861	15,832	29
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,458,452	4,441,940	(16,512)
	Indian Rupee	Sell	8/17/11	658,277	654,519	(3,758)
	Japanese Yen	Buy	8/17/11	1,090,707	1,085,448	5,259
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	1,080,338	1,080,338	_
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	651,532	649,625	1,907
	Norwegian Krone	Sell	8/17/11	445,591	439,068	(6,523)
	Polish Zloty	Sell	8/17/11	25,767	25,767	
	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	580,401	580,401	_
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	769,335	771,043	(1,708)
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	597,858	588,719	9,139
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	1,718,456	1,719,893	(1,437)
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	1,140,928	1,144,720	(3,792)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	658,260	658,260	

Deutsche Ban	Turkish Lira <b>k AG</b>	Sell	8/17/11	187,831	187,831	—
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	151,722	147,537	4,185
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	483,937	480,933	3,004
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	1,737,738	1,728,146	(9,592)
	Canadian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	382,640	382,052	588
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	199,485	197,739	1,746
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	594,173	594,173	
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	1,173,162	1,151,005	(22,157)
	Hungarian Forint	Buy	8/17/11	195,156	193,448	1,708
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	977,147	981,532	(4,385)
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	413,200	411,025	2,175
	New Zealand Dollar	Sell	7/21/11	437,366	431,476	(5,890)
	Norwegian Krone	Buy	8/17/11	173,707	171,190	2,517
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	Philippines Peso	Buy	8/17/11	495,878	495,878	_
	Polish Zloty	Buy	8/17/11	1,056,340	1,056,340	—
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	171,687	171,687	10.004
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	1,278,725	1,259,121	19,604
	Swedish Krona	Sell	8/17/11	829,018	812,556	(16,462)
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	955,337	958,827	(3,490)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	230,394	230,394	—
	Turkish Lira	Buy	8/17/11	271,072	271,072	—
Goldman Sach	s International					
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	3,030,697	2,955,640	75,057
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	622,926	619,853	(3,073)
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	2,513,749	2,454,599	(59,150)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	561,537	557,156	4,381
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,089,392	4,012,634	(76,758)
	Hungarian Forint	Sell	8/17/11	401,845	401,845	
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	1,092,792	1,086,997	(5,795)
	Norwegian Krone	Buy	8/17/11	303,794	302,288	1,506
	Polish Zloty	Buy	8/17/11	451,126	451,126	—
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	669,470	674,030	(4,560)
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	735,096	720,420	14,676
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	1,955,315	1,962,530	(7,215)
HSBC Bank US	A, National Associat					
	Áustralian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	859,556	839,102	20,454
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	2,609,811	2,595,275	(14,536)
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	6,056,506	5,944,037	(112,469)
	Indian Rupee	Sell	8/17/11	174,001	173,505	(496)
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	2,177,336	2,165,470	(11,866)
	Norwegian Krone	Sell	8/17/11	1,779,195	1,755,570	(23,625)
	Philippines Peso	Buy	8/17/11	495,935	495,935	(,
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	590,731	590,408	323
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	479,555	473,093	6,462
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	986,884	990,779	(3,895)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	655,794	655,794	(3,055)
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Ji Morgan Cha	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	188,425	183,765	4,660
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	1,619,256	1,608,481	10,775
	British Pound	Sell		3,016,672	3,000,239	(16,433)
			8/17/11			
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	183,493	179,177	(4,316)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	619,085	614,582	4,503
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	834,595	831,008	3,587
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,668,142	4,580,522	(87,620)
	Hungarian Forint	Buy	8/17/11	223,474	221,499	1,975
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	2,486,794	2,473,180	(13,614)
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	694,514	694,514	_
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	688,201	685,014	3,187
	New Zealand Dollar	Sell	7/21/11	465,058	458,266	(6,792)
	Norwegian Krone	Buy	8/17/11	489,509	482,352	7,157
	Polish Zloty	Sell	8/17/11	2,937,400	2,937,400	—

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	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	580,050	579,957	93
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	760,780	760,063	717
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	388,718	391,325	(2,607)
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	998,652	982,798	15,854
	Swedish Krona	Sell	8/17/11	200,972	196,993	(3,979)
	Swiss Franc	Sell	8/17/11	1,645,322	1,651,176	5,854
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	994,614	993,584	(1,030)
	Thai Baht	Buy	8/17/11	483,495	483,495	
	Turkish Lira	Sell	8/17/11	183,172	183,723	551
Royal Bank of	Scotland PLC (The)					
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	2,954,089	2,913,580	40,509
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	1,038,468	1,032,932	5,536
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	2,157,358	2,145,386	(11,972)
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	1,434,769	1,400,994	(33,775)
	Chilean Peso	Buy	8/17/11	599,570	593,381	6,189
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	213,651	213,651	
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	3,217,858	3,158,502	(59,356)
	Hungarian Forint	Sell	8/17/11	454,886	455,282	396
	Indian Rupee	Sell	8/17/11	972,022	966,259	(5,763)
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	1,854,703	1,847,381	(7,322)
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	808,913	808,913	_
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	283,525	282,176	1,349
	New Zealand Dollar	Sell	7/21/11	42,816	36,970	(5,846)
	Norwegian Krone	Buy	8/17/11	1,007,314	992,217	15,097
	Polish Zloty	Buy	8/17/11	529,701	529,701	_
	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	581,105	581,105	_
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	596,548	596,548	_
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	509,491	503,830	5,661
	South Korean Won	Buy	8/17/11	1,013,339	997,482	15,857
	Swedish Krona	Sell	8/17/11	610,387	598,113	(12,274)
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	577,607	579,897	(2,290)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	1,130,828	1,130,828	_
	Turkish Lira	Buy	8/17/11	250,613	250,613	_
State Street B	Bank and Trust Co.	-				
	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	1,862,377	1,850,073	12,304
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	407,763	405,538	2,225
	British Pound	Buy	8/17/11	1,614,887	1,606,907	7,980
	Canadian Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	1,620,128	1,582,291	(37,837)
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	8,089,455	7,935,943	(153,512)
	Hungarian Forint	Sell	8/17/11	269,098	269,098	_
	Japanese Yen	Sell	8/17/11	2,460,311	2,447,561	(12,750)
	Malaysian Ringgit	Buy	8/17/11	1,482,300	1,482,300	—
	Mexican Peso	Buy	8/17/11	421,893	419,921	1,972
	Norwegian Krone	Sell	8/17/11	1,918,047	1,889,168	(28,879)
	Philippines Peso	Buy	8/17/11	495,969	495,969	_
	Polish Zloty	Sell	8/17/11	717,347	717,347	_
	Russian Ruble	Buy	8/17/11	582,164	582,164	_
	Singapore Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	405,403	405,403	_
	South African Rand	Buy	7/21/11	592,756	587,572	5,184
	Swedish Krona	Buy	8/17/11	1,076,335	1,055,302	21,033
	Swiss Franc	Buy	8/17/11	3,838,608	3,853,831	(15,223)
	Taiwan Dollar	Sell	8/17/11	1,001,799	1,001,799	—
	Thai Baht	Buy	8/17/11	484,907	484,907	_
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	Australian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	3,154,144	3,110,764	43,380
	Brazilian Real	Buy	8/17/11	540,133	539,756	377
	British Pound	Sell	8/17/11	2,494,756	2,483,656	(11,100)
	Canadian Dollar	Buy	8/17/11	696,236	680,136	16,100
	Czech Koruna	Buy	8/17/11	296,072	296,072	
	Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,135,796	4,092,496	(43,300)
	Hungarian Forint	Buy	8/17/11	220,832	220,832	. ,,
	Indian Rupee	Sell	8/17/11	1,424,601	1,416,780	(7,821)

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Japanese `	Yen Sell	8/17/11	3,390,017	3,372,642	(17,375)
Mexican P	eso Buy	8/17/11	572,017	570,241	1,776
New Zeala	and Dollar Sell	7/21/11	645,426	635,442	(9,984)
Norwegiar		8/17/11	4,815,704	4,779,233	36,471
Polish Zlot		8/17/11	239,189	239,189	· _
Russian R		8/17/11	581,233	581,233	_
Singapore	,	8/17/11	419,631	419,631	_
South Afri	-	7/21/11	1,211,570	1,209,747	1,823
South Kore		8/17/11	946,365	931,084	15,281
Swedish K	-	8/17/11	593,043	581,266	11,777
Swiss Frar		8/17/11	1,659,250	1,665,930	6,680
Taiwan Do	ollar Sell	8/17/11	939,942	940,882	940
Thai Baht	Buy	8/17/11	480,760	480,760	_
Turkish Lir	-	8/17/11	11,177	11,212	(35)
Westpac Banking Corp.	,				
Australian	Dollar Buy	8/17/11	702,806	684,738	18,068
British Pou		8/17/11	188,211	187,283	928
Canadian		8/17/11	158,924	155,212	(3,712)
Euro	Sell	8/17/11	4,240,641	4,161,118	(79,523)
Japanese `	Yen Sell	8/17/11	667,311	663,863	(3,448)
New Zeala		7/21/11	6,365	6,275	90
Norwegiar	-	8/17/11	1,428,871	1,408,283	(20,588)
Swedish K		8/17/11	777,776	762,650	(15,126)
Swiss Frar	nc Buy	8/17/11	42,856	43,024	(168)
Total					¢(797 002)

Total

\$(787,092)

### **FUTURES CONTRACTS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (Unaudited)**

	Number			Unrealized
	Number of contracts	Value	Expiratio date	n appreciation/ (depreciation)
Australian Government Treasury Bond 10				
yr (Short)	109	\$83,147,144	Sep-11	\$74,920
Canadian Government Bond 10 yr (Short)	140	18,015,256	Sep-11	247,367
Euro-Bobl 5 yr (Short)	6	1,015,645	Sep-11	(1,329)
Euro-Bund 10 yr (Long)	87	15,851,136	Sep-11	(20,885)
Euro-Dollar 90 day (Short)	1140	283,247,250	Jun-12	(746,566)
Euro-Schatz 2 yr (Short)	48	7,496,153	Sep-11	(1,919)
Euro-Swiss Franc 3 Month (Short)	38	11,276,763	Dec-11	(44,717)
Euro-Swiss Franc 3 Month (Short)	38	11,256,412	Jun-12	(73,994)
Euro-Swiss Franc 3 Month (Short)	38	11,230,408	Dec-12	(88,068)
Euro-Swiss Franc 3 Month (Short)	38	11,267,718	Mar-12	(58,820)
Euro-Swiss Franc 3 Month (Short)	38	11,283,547	Sep-11	(27,758)
Japanese Government Bond 10 yr (Short)	10	17,527,029	Sep-11	(33,609)
	3	876,849	Sep-11	1,178

Japanese Government Bond 10 yr Mini				
(Long)				
U.K. Gilt 10 yr (Long)	147	28,379,382	Sep-11	(411,626)
U.S. Treasury Bond 20 yr (Short)	78	9,596,438	Sep-11	(34,117)
U.S. Treasury Bond 30 yr (Long)	10	1,262,500	Sep-11	(35,519)
U.S. Treasury Note 2 yr (Short)	332	72,822,125	Sep-11	50,400
U.S. Treasury Note 10 yr (Long)	365	44,649,766	Sep-11	(672,506)

Total

\$(1,877,568)

# WRITTEN OPTIONS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (premiums received \$38,664,776) (Unaudited)

	Contractd amount	Expiration ate/ strike price	Value
Option on an interest rate swap with Credit Suisse International for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 0.578% versus the six month CHF-LIBOR-BBA maturing December 24, 2013. Option on an interest rate swap with Credit Suisse International for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of	CHF 15,780,000	Dec-11/0.578	\$ 19,453
0.602% versus the six month CHF-LIBOR-BBA maturing December 22, 2013. Option on an interest rate swap with Credit Suisse International for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 0.70175% versus the six month CHF-LIBOR-BBA	CHF 15,780,000	Dec-11/0.602	23,252
Maturing January 23, 2014. Option on an interest rate swap with UBS AG for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 0.722% versus the six	CHF 15,780,000	Jan-12/0.70175	36,094
Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.8675% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	CHF 15,780,000	Jan-12/0.722	40,101
maturing April 12, 2022. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.8675% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	\$ 6,409,500	Apr-12/4.8675	37,992
maturing April 12, 2022. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.475% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	6,409,500	Apr-12/4.8675	712,929
maturing August 19, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.475% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing	7,124,000	Aug-11/4.475	285
August 19, 2021.	7,124,000	Aug-11/4.475	718,313

Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.49% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 17, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.49% versus	11,060,000	Aug-11/4.49	1,132,433
the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.49% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 17, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.55%	11,060,000	Aug-11/4.49	332
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 17, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.55%	5,530,000	Aug-11/4.55	111
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 17, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.70%	5,530,000	Aug-11/4.55	595,249
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 8, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.70%	11,515,000	Aug-11/4.70	18
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 8, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of	11,515,000	Aug-11/4.70	1,404,139
4.765% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 16, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Bank of America, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.765%	10,823,000	Aug-11/4.765	51
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 16, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.375% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	10,823,000	Aug-11/4.765	1,370,300
A.375% versus the three month OSD-LIBOR-BBA maturing August 10, 2045. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.375% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	5,571,800	Aug-15/4.375	813,037
maturing August 10, 2045. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.46% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	5,571,800	Aug-15/4.375	505,919
maturing August 7, 2045. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.46% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	5,571,800	Aug-15/4.46	536,063
maturing August 7, 2045. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 2.225% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing December 9,	5,571,800	Aug-15/4.46	772,642
2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 2.225% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing December	13,669,005	Dec-11/2.225	134,230
9, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 2.24% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing	13,669,005	Dec-11/2.225	212,502
December 8, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 2.24%	9,568,359 9,568,359	Dec-11/2.24 Dec-11/2.24	97,406 148,405

versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing December 8, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank PLC for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 2.28%			
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing December 16, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank PLC for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 2.28% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing	20,435,264	Dec-11/2.28	226,423
December 16, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.27% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	20,435,264	Dec-11/2.28	312,864
maturing February 12, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 5.27% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	5,766,760	Feb-15/5.27	268,893
maturing February 12, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclays Bank PLC for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.36% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing	5,766,760	Feb-15/5.27	516,586
February 13, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclays Bank PLC for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 5.36% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing	1,584,020	Feb-15/5.36	70,317
February 13, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 3.55% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July	1,584,020	Feb-15/5.36	148,961
21, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 3.55%	7,206,408	Jul-11/3.55	9,368
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 21, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of	7,206,408	Jul-11/3.55	176,629
4.46% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of	20,362,000	Jul-11/4.46	5
4.46% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.52% versus	20,362,000	Jul-11/4.46	2,098,508
the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.52% versus the	19,096,000	Jul-11/4.52	2
three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.525% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	19,096,000	Jul-11/4.52	2,068,861
maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of	20,362,000	Jul-11/4.525	2,214,978
4.525% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.5475%	20,362,000	Jul-11/4.525	2
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021.	9,548,000 9,548,000	Jul-11/4.5475 Jul-11/4.5475	1 1,057,441

Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.5475% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 26, 2021.			
Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.745% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 27, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.745% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	30,543,000	Jul-11/4.745	1
maturing July 27, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for	30,543,000	Jul-11/4.745	3,893,011
the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.12% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank PLC for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.39%	556,661	Jun-16/4.12	15,274
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.575% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	547,769	Jun-16/4.39	17,857
A.575% versus the three month OSD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.575% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	544,291	Jun-16/4.575	19,633
maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.61% versus the	544,291	Jun-16/4.575	23,475
three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 24, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.61% versus	1,659,222	Jun-16/4.61	60,794
the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 24, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of	1,659,222	Jun-16/4.61	70,799
4.815% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 10, 2026. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of	6,121,390	Jun-16/4.815	393,116
4.815% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 10, 2026. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for	6,121,390	Jun-16/4.815	441,842
the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.86% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 1, 2026. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank PLC for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.89%	3,945,779	Jun-16/4.86	259,396
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.12% versus	547,769	Jun-16/4.89	20,487
the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 6, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.86% versus	556,661	Jun-16/5.12	18,706
the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing July 1, 2026. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 5.51% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	3,945,779	Jun-16/5.86	171,642
maturing May 14, 2022.	25,011,500 25,011,500	May-12/5.51 May-12/5.51	3,958,820 60,028

Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.51% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing May 14, 2022. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank			
PLC for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 2.065% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing September 8, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with Barclay's Bank PLC for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 2.065%	13,001,017	Sep-11/2.065	78,656
versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing September 8, 2016. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.82% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	13,001,017	Sep-11/2.065	136,901
maturing September 12, 2018. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.82% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	1,469,000	Sep-13/4.82	96,978
maturing September 12, 2018. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.04% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	1,469,000	Sep-13/4.82	20,057
maturing September 11, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.04% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	41,033,400	Sep-15/4.04	1,643,318
maturing September 11, 2025. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.60% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June	41,033,400	Sep-15/4.04	4,010,194
1, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.60% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June	10,187,746	May-16/4.600	372,973
1, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Goldman Sachs International for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.36% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	10,187,746	May-16/4.600	433,489
maturing June 1, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Goldman Sachs International for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.86% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA	10,238,704	May-16/4.360	326,717
maturing June 1, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.11% versus the	10,238,704	May-16/4.860	387,330
three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 1, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 5.11% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing June 1,	10,398,887	May-16/4.110	283,456
2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.765% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing May	10,398,887	May-16/5.110	350,721
23, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Deutsche Bank AG for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.765% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing May	18,914,561	May-16/4.765	745,612
23, 2021. Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to pay a fixed rate of 4.705% versus the	18,914,561	May-16/4.765	761,689
three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing May 17, 2021.	24,507,428	May-16/4.705	955,545

Option on an interest rate swap with Citibank, N.A. for the obligation to receive a fixed rate of 4.705% versus the three month USD-LIBOR-BBA maturing May 17, 2021.

#### Total

24,507,428 May-16/4.705 990,097

\$39,499,709

## **TBA SALE COMMITMENTS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (proceeds receivable \$42,273,242) (Unaudited)**

Agency	Principal amount	Settlement date	Value
FHLMC, 4 1/2s, June 1, 2041	\$3,000,000	6-13-11	\$3,103,711
FNMA, 6 1/2s, July 1, 2041	1,000,000	7-14-11	1,132,188
FNMA, 5s, June 1, 2041	14,000,000	6-13-11	14,896,328
FNMA, 4 1/2s, July 1, 2041	1,000,000	7-14-11	1,034,608
FNMA, 4s, July 1, 2041	22,000,000	7-14-11	22,000,000
Total			\$42,166,835

#### INTEREST RATE SWAP CONTRACTS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (Unaudited)

#### TOTAL RETURN SWAP CONTRACTS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (Unaudited)

#### CREDIT DEFAULT CONTRACTS OUTSTANDING at 6/30/11 (Unaudited)

#### Key to holding's currency abbreviations

- ARS Argentine Peso
- BRL Brazilian Real
- CHF Swiss Franc
- CLP Chilean Peso
- EUR Euro
- GBP British Pound
- RUB Russian Ruble
- TRY Turkish Lira

#### Key to holding's abbreviations

- EMTN Euro Medium Term Notes
- FRB Floating Rate Bonds
- FRN Floating Rate Notes
- IFB Inverse Floating Rate Bonds
- IO Interest Only
- OAO Open Joint Stock Company
- OJSC Open Joint Stock Company
- PO Principal Only

TBA To Be Announced Commitments

#### Notes to the fund's portfolio

Unless noted otherwise, the notes to the fund's portfolio are for the close of the fund's reporting period, which ran from October 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 (the reporting period).

- (a) Percentages indicated are based on net assets of \$380,025,579.
- (b) The aggregate identified cost on a tax basis is \$527,230,863, resulting in gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation of \$13,547,989 and \$18,297,583, respectively, or net unrealized depreciation of \$4,749,594.
- (NON) Non-income-producing security.
- (STP) The interest rate and date shown parenthetically represent the new interest rate to be paid and the date the fund will begin accruing interest at this rate.
- (PIK) Income may be received in cash or additional securities at the discretion of the issuer.
- (SEG) This security, in part or in entirety, was pledged and segregated with the broker to cover margin requirements for futures contracts at the close of the reporting period.
- (SEGSF) This security, in part or in entirety, was pledged and segregated with the custodian for collateral on certain derivatives contracts at the close of the reporting period.
  - (c) Senior loans are exempt from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, but contain certain restrictions on resale and cannot be sold publicly. These loans pay interest at rates which adjust periodically. The interest rates shown for senior loans are the current interest rates at the close of the reporting period. Senior loans are also subject to mandatory and/or optional prepayment which cannot be predicted. As a result, the remaining maturity may be substantially less than the stated maturity shown. Senior loans are purchased or sold on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis and may be settled a month or more after the trade date, which from time to time can delay the actual investment of available cash balances; interest income is accrued based on the terms of the securities. Senior loans can be acquired through an agent, by assignment from another holder of the loan, or as a participation interest in another holder's portion of the loan. When the fund invests in a loan or participation, the fund is subject to the risk that an intermediate participant between the fund and the borrower will fail to meet its obligations to the fund, in addition to the risk that the borrower under the loan may default on its obligations.
  - (e) The fund invested in Putnam Money Market Liquidity Fund, an open-end management investment company managed by Putnam Investment Management, LLC (Putnam Management), the fund's manager, an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Putnam Investments, LLC. Investments in Putnam Money Market Liquidity Fund are valued at its closing net asset value each business day. Income distributions earned by the fund are recorded as interest income and totaled \$32,711 for the reporting period. During the reporting period, cost of purchases and proceeds of sales of investments in Putnam

Money Market Liquidity Fund aggregated \$241,811,989 and \$244,799,796, respectively. Management fees charged to Putnam Money Market Liquidity Fund have been waived by Putnam Management. The rate quoted in the security description is the annualized 7-day yield of the fund at the close of the reporting period.

- (F) Is valued at fair value following procedures approved by the Trustees. Securities may be classified as Level 2 or Level 3 for Accounting Standards Codification ASC 820 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (ASC 820) based on the securities' valuation inputs.
- Security purchased with cash or security received, that was pledged to the fund for collateral on certain derivatives contracts.
- (R) Real Estate Investment Trust.

At the close of the reporting period, the fund maintained liquid assets totaling \$296,461,200 to cover certain derivatives contracts.

Debt obligations are considered secured unless otherwise indicated.

144A after the name of an issuer represents securities exempt from registration under Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

The rates shown on FRB and FRN are the current interest rates at the close of the reporting period.

The dates shown on debt obligations are the original maturity dates.

IFB are securities that pay interest rates that vary inversely to changes in the market interest rates. As interest rates rise, inverse floaters produce less current income. The interest rates shown are the current interest rates at the close of the reporting period.

#### **DIVERSIFICATION BY COUNTRY**

Distribution of investments by country of risk at the close of the reporting period (as a percentage of Portfolio Value):

Argentina	85.6%
Russia	2.9
Argentina	2.5
Venezuela	1.1
Indonesia	0.9
Netherlands	0.8
Brazil	0.8
Ukraine	0.8
Luxembourg	0.7
United Kingdom	0.6

Germany	0.5
Turkey	0.5
Other	2.3

ASC 820 establishes a three-level hierarchy for disclosure of fair value measurements. The valuation hierarchy is based upon the transparency of inputs to the valuation of the fund's investments. The three levels are defined as follows:

Level 1 – Valuations based on quoted prices for identical securities in active markets.

Level 2 – Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.

Level 3 – Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the fund's net assets as of the close of the reporting period:

		Valuation inputs		
Investments in securities:	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Common stocks:				
Consumer cyclicals	\$—	\$—	\$470	
Energy	—	—	3,091	
Total common stocks	_	—	3,561	
Asset-backed securities	\$—	\$50,573,948	\$1,583,389	
Convertible bonds and notes	—	501,597	—	
Convertible preferred stocks	—	361,073	—	
Corporate bonds and notes	—	118,907,705	16,882	
Foreign government bonds and notes	—	33,927,454	—	
Mortgage-backed securities	—	94,156,299	1,910,884	
Preferred stocks	—	186,083	—	
Purchased options outstanding	—	5,624,559	—	
Senior loans	—	11,047,081	—	
U.S. Government and Agency Mortgage Obligations	_	74,682,566	_	

1,012,103 \$5	17,923,010	\$3,546,156
1,012,103	125,649,123	—
—	280	31,440
_	2,305,242	_
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#### Item 2. Controls and Procedures:

(a) The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded, based on their evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report, that the design and operation of such procedures are generally effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the registrant in this report is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms.

(b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting: Not applicable

#### Item 3. Exhibits:

Separate certifications for the principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, are filed herewith.

#### **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.

#### Putnam Master Intermediate Income Trust

By (Signature and Title):

<u>/s/ Janet C. Smith</u> Janet C. Smith Principal Accounting Officer Date: August 26, 2011

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 (Signature and Title):

<u>/s/ Jonathan S. Horwitz</u> Jonathan S. Horwitz Principal Executive Officer Date: August 26, 2011

By (Signature and Title):

<u>/s/ Steven D. Krichmar</u> Steven D. Krichmar Principal Financial Officer Date: August 26, 2011