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CERTIFIED SHAREHOLDER REPORT OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-08394

TEMPLETON DRAGON FUND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

500 EAST BROWARD BLVD., SUITE 2100, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33394-3091

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

CRAIG S. TYLE, ONE FRANKLIN PARKWAY, SAN MATEO, CA 94403-1906

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (954) 527-7500

Date of fiscal year end: 12/31

Date of reporting period: 06/30/09

ITEM 1. REPORTS TO STOCKHOLDERS.

JUNE 30, 2009

SEMIANNUAL REPORT

(GRAPHIC)

INTERNATIONAL

TEMPLETON DRAGON FUND, INC.

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Semiannual Report

Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

YOUR FUND'S GOAL AND MAIN INVESTMENTS: Templeton Dragon Fund seeks long-term capital appreciation by investing at least 45% of its total assets in equity securities of "China companies," as defined in the Fund's prospectus.

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN

Based on Total Net Assets as of 6/30/09

(BAR CHART)

China	58.5%
Hong Kong	29.1%
Taiwan	9.9%
Cambodia	0.3%
U.S.	0.2%
Singapore	0.1%
Short-Term Investments & Other Net Assets	1.9%

Dear Shareholder:

We are pleased to bring you Templeton Dragon Fund's semiannual report for the period ended June 30, 2009.

PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

Templeton Dragon Fund delivered cumulative total returns of +35.34% in market price terms and +36.08% in net asset value terms for the six months under review. You can find the Fund's long-term performance data in the Performance Summary on page 5.

ECONOMIC AND MARKET OVERVIEW

During the six months under review, China continued to be one of the world's fastest growing major economies and was forecasted to grow about 8% in 2009.(1) The Chinese economy grew 6.1% year-over-year in the first quarter of 2009, compared to 6.8% in the last quarter of 2008.(2) Slower export and manufacturing growth slowed economic expansion, yet fixed assets investment

(1.) Source: International Monetary Fund.

(2.) Source: National Bureau of Statistics, China.

THE DOLLAR VALUE, NUMBER OF SHARES OR PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, AND NAMES OF ALL PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS ARE LISTED IN THE FUND'S STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS (SOI). THE SOI BEGINS ON PAGE 8.

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increased 28% year-over-year as government stimulus efforts began to show results.(2) A rebound in industrial production and retail sales growth in May further confirmed improvement in the economy, and consumer prices fell 1.4% in May due to lower transportation, food and housing costs.(2) In an effort to improve global trade and economic relations, China signed a number of agreements with the European Union, Russia, Brazil and Taiwan during the reporting period.

After a dismal 2008, equity markets in the greater China region recovered to some degree in the first half of 2009 as renewed investor confidence, coupled with a return of risk appetite and bargain hunters, drove strong fund inflows into the asset class. Fiscal measures and easing monetary policies undertaken by the region's governments and central banks also began to show signs of rejuvenating economic growth. Significant foreign exchange reserves put China in a much stronger position to weather external shocks. As a result, the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Golden Dragon Index delivered a +36.35% total return in U.S. dollar terms for the first six months of the year, recovering much of 2008's decline.(3)

INVESTMENT STRATEGY

Our investment strategy employs a fundamental, value-oriented, long-term approach. In selecting companies for investment, we will consider overall growth prospects, competitive positions in export markets, technologies, research and development, productivity, labor costs, raw material costs and sources. Additional considerations include profit margins, returns on investment, capital resources, government regulation, management and other factors in comparison to other companies around the world that we believe are comparable.

Our approach to selecting investments emphasizes fundamental company-by-company analysis (rather than broader analyses of specific industries or sectors of the economy) to construct an "action list" from which we make our buy decisions. Although we will consider historical value measures, the primary factor in selecting securities for investment by the Fund will be the company's current price relative to its long-term earnings potential.

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MANAGER'S DISCUSSION

During the six months under review, among the most significant contributors to the Fund's absolute performance were Dairy Farm International Holdings, Sinopec (China Petroleum and Chemical) and Dongfeng Motor. Dairy Farm operates supermarkets, hypermarkets (department store and supermarket) as well as convenience, home furnishing, and health and beauty stores in Asia, and it

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benefited from the region's growing consumer demand for basic necessities and discretionary items. The Chinese government's fuel price increases served the country's largest integrated energy company Sinopec well, and with China's economy showing some signs of recovery, rising fuel demand also improved Sinopec's prospects. Dongfeng Motor is the country's third-largest automaker in partnership with foreign automakers Honda Motor, Nissan Motor and PSA Peugeot-Citroen. Lower raw material costs earlier this year and government stimulus measures in boosting car sales supported Dongfeng Motor and the automobile market, which the government encouraged to expand both organically and through acquisitions.

On the other hand, some of the largest detractors from Fund performance included China Mobile, the country's market leader in wireless telecommunication services, Hopewell Holdings, a real estate and infrastructure development company, and Norstar Founders Group, one of the world's largest auto parts manufacturers and exporters. All three stocks underperformed their regional peers during the reporting period. Hopewell's share price ended the period virtually unchanged, while unexpected losses on foreign exchange trading hurt Norstar's. China Mobile's stock ended the six months with a minor gain, as investors switched from defensive holdings to stocks with higher correlation to the broader market in a rising market. Over the longer term, however, we believed that the Fund's investments were well positioned to benefit from the region's recovery.

During the reporting period, we increased the Fund's investments in China and Hong Kong due to what we considered attractive valuations. By industry, we made purchases in Internet software and services, packaged foods and meats, steel, and coal and consumable fuels companies, as we positioned the portfolio to benefit from growing Chinese consumer demand and higher commodity prices. Key investments included top Internet portal Sohu.com, leading pork processor China Yurun Food Group, and the country's largest coal producer China Shenhua Energy.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS 6/30/09

COMPANY SECTOR/INDUSTRY, COUNTRY -----	% OF TOTAL NET ASSETS -----
Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd. FOOD & STAPLES RETAILING, HONG KONG	20.4%
China Mobile Ltd. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES, CHINA	8.0%
Sinopec (China Petroleum and Chemical Corp.), H OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS, CHINA	7.7%
PetroChina Co. Ltd., H OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS, CHINA	6.0%
CNOOC Ltd. OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS, CHINA	4.6%
China Construction Bank Corp., H COMMERCIAL BANKS, CHINA	3.5%
Shanghai Industrial Holdings Ltd. INDUSTRIAL CONGLOMERATES, CHINA	2.8%
Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Ltd. ELECTRIC UTILITIES, HONG KONG	2.8%
China Shenhua Energy Co. Ltd., H OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS, CHINA	2.8%
TSMC (Taiwan Semiconductor	

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Manufacturing Co. Ltd.)
SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR
EQUIPMENT, TAIWAN

2.8%

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On the other hand, we made select sales in Taiwanese and Hong Kong-listed China H shares, which allowed us to focus on what we considered more attractively valued stocks within our investment universe.(4) We also sold some stocks as they reached their target prices, and trimmed the number of Dairy Farm shares in our portfolio to better diversify risk. We also sold all or part of major Chinese commercial banks China Construction Bank and Bank of China, leading personal computer manufacturer Acer, and the world's largest tank container manufacturer CIMC (China International Marine Containers).

Thank you for your continued participation in Templeton Dragon Fund. We look forward to serving your future investment needs.

Sincerely,

(PHOTO OF MARK MOBIUS)

/s/ Mark Mobius
Mark Mobius
Executive Chairman
Templeton Asset Management Ltd.

THE FOREGOING INFORMATION REFLECTS OUR ANALYSIS, OPINIONS AND PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS AS OF JUNE 30, 2009, THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD. THE WAY WE IMPLEMENT OUR MAIN INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND THE RESULTING PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS MAY CHANGE DEPENDING ON FACTORS SUCH AS MARKET AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS. THESE OPINIONS MAY NOT BE RELIED UPON AS INVESTMENT ADVICE OR AN OFFER FOR A PARTICULAR SECURITY. THE INFORMATION IS NOT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF EVERY ASPECT OF ANY MARKET, COUNTRY, INDUSTRY, SECURITY OR THE FUND. STATEMENTS OF FACT ARE FROM SOURCES CONSIDERED RELIABLE, BUT THE INVESTMENT MANAGER MAKES NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO THEIR COMPLETENESS OR ACCURACY. ALTHOUGH HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE IS NO GUARANTEE OF FUTURE RESULTS, THESE INSIGHTS MAY HELP YOU UNDERSTAND OUR INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT PHILOSOPHY.

(4.) "China H" denotes shares of China-incorporated, Hong Kong-listed companies with most businesses in China. China H shares are traded on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

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Performance Summary as of 6/30/09

Your dividend income will vary depending on dividends or interest paid by securities in the Fund's portfolio, adjusted for operating expenses. Capital gain distributions are net profits realized from the sale of portfolio securities. Total return reflects reinvestment of the Fund's dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, and any unrealized gains or losses. Total returns do not reflect any taxes that a shareholder would pay on Fund dividends, capital gain distributions, if any, or any unrealized gains on the sale of Fund

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shares.

PRICE INFORMATION

SYMBOL: TDF -----	CHANGE	6/30/09 -----	12/31/08 -----
Net Asset Value (NAV)	+\$6.78	\$25.57	\$18.79
Market Price (NYSE)	+\$6.10	\$23.36	\$17.26

PERFORMANCE

	6-MONTH -----	1-YEAR -----	5-YEAR -----	10-YEAR -----
Cumulative Total Return(1)				
Based on change in NAV(2)	+36.08%	-4.46%	+113.50%	+276.48%
Based on change in market price(3)	+35.34%	+1.37%	+128.85%	+342.79%
Average Annual Total Return(1)				
Based on change in NAV(2)	+36.08%	-4.46%	+16.38%	+14.17%
Based on change in market price(3)	+35.34%	+1.37%	+18.01%	+16.04%

PERFORMANCE DATA REPRESENT PAST PERFORMANCE, WHICH DOES NOT GUARANTEE FUTURE RESULTS. INVESTMENT RETURN AND PRINCIPAL VALUE WILL FLUCTUATE, AND YOU MAY HAVE A GAIN OR LOSS WHEN YOU SELL YOUR SHARES. CURRENT PERFORMANCE MAY DIFFER FROM FIGURES SHOWN.

ENDNOTES

SPECIAL RISKS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH FOREIGN INVESTING, INCLUDING CURRENCY VOLATILITY, ECONOMIC INSTABILITY AND POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS 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. ALSO, AS A NONDIVERSIFIED INVESTMENT COMPANY INVESTING IN "CHINA COMPANIES," THE FUND MAY INVEST IN A RELATIVELY SMALL NUMBER OF ISSUERS AND, AS A RESULT, BE SUBJECT TO A GREATER RISK OF LOSS WITH RESPECT TO ITS PORTFOLIO SECURITIES.

- (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.
- (2.) Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on net asset value.
- (3.) Assumes reinvestment of distributions based on the dividend reinvestment and cash purchase plan.

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Important Notice to Shareholders

SHARE REPURCHASE PROGRAM

The Fund's Board previously authorized management to implement an open-market

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share repurchase program pursuant to which the Fund may purchase Fund shares, from time to time, in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management. This authorization remains in effect.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (UNAUDITED)	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER		
		2008	2007	2006
PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE (for a share outstanding throughout the period)				
Net asset value, beginning of period ..	\$ 18.79	\$ 34.73	\$ 26.95	\$ 21.80
Income from investment operations:				
Net investment income(a)	0.25	0.55	0.58	0.38
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	6.53	(14.80)	10.44	7.12
Total from investment operations	6.78	(14.25)	11.02	7.50
Less distributions from:				
Net investment income	--	(0.58)	(0.33)	(0.37)
Net realized gains	--	(1.11)	(2.91)	(1.98)
Total distributions	--	(1.69)	(3.24)	(2.35)
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 25.57	\$ 18.79	\$ 34.73	\$ 26.95
Market value, end of period(b)	\$ 23.36	\$ 17.26	\$ 30.94	\$ 26.26
Total return (based on market value per share) (c)	35.34%	(39.68)%	31.69%	49.56%
RATIOS TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS(d)				
Expenses(e)	1.49%	1.51%	1.47%	1.49%
Net investment income	2.47%	2.05%	1.85%	1.61%
SUPPLEMENTAL DATA				
Net assets, end of period (000's)	\$968,575	\$711,753	\$1,315,377	\$1,017,910
Portfolio turnover rate	5.27%	7.90%	15.66%	18.83%

(a) Based on average daily shares outstanding.

(b) Based on the last sale on the New York Stock Exchange.

(c) Total return is not annualized for periods less than one year.

(d) Ratios are annualized for periods less than one year.

(e) Benefit of expense reduction rounds to less than 0.01%.

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS, JUNE 30, 2009 (UNAUDITED)

		COUNTRY	SHARES/UN
	COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS 98.1%		
	AIR FREIGHT & LOGISTICS 0.1%		
	Sinotrans Ltd., H	China	4,063,0
	AUTO COMPONENTS 2.1%		
(a)	Cheng Shin Rubber Industry Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	12,778,0
	Norstar Founders Group Ltd.	Hong Kong	13,376,0
	AUTOMOBILES 3.1%		
	Chongqing Changan Automobile Co. Ltd., B	China	5,435,6
	Dongfeng Motor Corp., H	China	24,994,0
	Great Wall Motor Co. Ltd., H	China	2,382,5
	Jiangling Motors Corp. Ltd., B	China	3,818,5
	BEVERAGES 0.3%		
	Yantai Changyu Pioneer Wine Co. Ltd., B	China	529,4
	COMMERCIAL BANKS 8.1%		
(b)	Bank of China Ltd., H	China	35,777,0
	Bank of China Ltd., H, 144A	China	9,420,0
	BOC Hong Kong (Holdings) Ltd.	China	1,110,0
	China Construction Bank Corp., H	China	44,293,0
	China Merchants Bank Co. Ltd., H	China	562,0
	Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd., H	China	27,510,0
	COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT 0.3%		
	ZTE Corp., H	China	924,1
	COMPUTERS & PERIPHERALS 2.6%		
	Advantech Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	1,813,5
	Asustek Computer Inc.	Taiwan	14,656,5
	Lite-On IT Corp.	Taiwan	6,592,5
	DISTRIBUTORS 1.8%		
(b)	China Resources Enterprise Ltd.	Hong Kong	5,818,0
	Dah Chong Hong Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong	19,753,5
	Dah Chong Hong Holdings Ltd., 144A	Hong Kong	550,0

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DIVERSIFIED TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES 1.4%		
	China Telecom Corp. Ltd., H	China 14,920,0
	China Unicom (Hong Kong) Ltd.	China 4,430,7
ELECTRIC UTILITIES 2.8%		
	Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong 7,814,0
ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT 0.2%		
	Dongfang Electric Co. Ltd., H	China 564,0
ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS & COMPONENT 0.2%		
(c)	China Security & Surveillance Technology Inc.	United States 202,8

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STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS, JUNE 30, 2009 (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

	COUNTRY	SHARES/UN
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COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (CONTINUED)		
ENERGY EQUIPMENT & SERVICES 0.1%		
	Honghua Group Ltd.	China 5,083,0
FOOD & STAPLES RETAILING 20.5%		
	Beijing Jingkelong Co. Ltd., H	China 2,947,4
	Dairy Farm International Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong 30,511,8
FOOD PRODUCTS 2.0%		
	China Foods Ltd.	China 17,406,0
	China Yurun Food Group Ltd.	China 1,500,0
(d)	China Yurun Food Group Ltd., Reg S	China 514,0
	People's Food Holdings Ltd.	China 3,574,0
	Uni-President China Holdings Ltd.	Taiwan 2,340,0
	Uni-President Enterprises Corp.	Taiwan 1,290,6
	Xiwang Sugar Holdings Co. Ltd.	Hong Kong 9,154,0
HOTELS, RESTAURANTS & LEISURE 0.3%		
	NagaCorp Ltd.	Cambodia 18,208,8
HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS 0.0%(e)		
(b, c, f)	Bawang International, 144A	China 1,074,0
INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS & ENERGY TRADERS 2.8%		
	Datang International Power Generation Co. Ltd., H	China 34,592,0
	Guangdong Electric Power Development Co. Ltd., B	China 10,599,1

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	Huaneng Power International Inc., H	China	1,454,0
	INDUSTRIAL CONGLOMERATES 2.8%		
	Shanghai Industrial Holdings Ltd.	China	6,850,0
	INSURANCE 1.6%		
	China Life Insurance Co. Ltd., H	China	4,134,0
(c)	INTERNET SOFTWARE & SERVICES 0.6%		
	Sohu.com Inc.	China	91,8
	IT SERVICES 0.3%		
	Travelsky Technology Ltd., H	China	5,629,7
	LEISURE EQUIPMENT & PRODUCTS 0.2%		
	Yorkey Optical International Cayman Ltd.	China	11,491,0
	MACHINERY 1.6%		
	China International Marine Containers (Group) Co. Ltd., B	China	7,850,2
	Lonking Holdings Ltd.	China	6,432,0
	Shin Zu Shing Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	985,6
	MARINE 0.3%		
	China Shipping Development Co. Ltd., H	China	1,198,0
	Sinotrans Shipping Ltd.	Hong Kong	3,090,5

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	COUNTRY	SHARES/UN
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COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (CONTINUED)		
MEDIA 0.1%		
Next Media Ltd.	Hong Kong	5,588,0
METALS & MINING 0.4%		
Angang Steel Co. Ltd., H	China	1,880,0
China Steel Corp.	Taiwan	1,292,0
OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS 22.7%		
China Coal Energy Co., H	China	1,261,0
China Petroleum and Chemical Corp., H	China	97,904,0

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	China Shenhua Energy Co. Ltd., H	China	7,424,0
	CNOOC Ltd.	China	35,637,0
	PetroChina Co. Ltd., H	China	52,788,0
	Yanzhou Coal Mining Co. Ltd., H	China	9,996,0
	PHARMACEUTICALS 0.1%		
	Tong Ren Tang Technologies Co. Ltd., H	China	713,0
	REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT 4.2%		
	Agile Property Holdings Ltd.	China	536,0
	Cheung Kong (Holdings) Ltd.	Hong Kong	933,0
	Hopewell Holdings Ltd.	Hong Kong	7,088,0
	Soho China Ltd.	China	11,126,5
(b)	Soho China Ltd., 144A	China	764,0
	SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIPMENT 4.0%		
	MediaTek Inc.	Taiwan	383,8
	Novatek Microelectronics Corp. Ltd.	Taiwan	2,875,7
	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	16,295,6
	SOFTWARE 0.7%		
	Kingdee International Software Group Co. Ltd., fgn.	Hong Kong	12,774,0
(c)	Shanda Interactive Entertainment Ltd., ADR	China	80,2
	SPECIALTY RETAIL 0.1%		
(c, f)	I.T Ltd.	Hong Kong	7,719,9
	TEXTILES, APPAREL & LUXURY GOODS 0.4%		
	Anta Sports Products Ltd.	China	2,198,0
	Weiqiao Textile Co. Ltd., H	China	1,556,0
	TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE 0.9%		
	Cosco Pacific Ltd.	China	6,710,0
	Hopewell Highway Infrastructure Ltd.	Hong Kong	708,8
	Rickmers Maritime (Trust Units)	Singapore	2,904,0

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COUNTRY SHARES/UN

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COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (CONTINUED)			
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES 8.4%			
	China Mobile Ltd.	China	7,731,5
	Taiwan Mobile Co. Ltd.	Taiwan	2,074,8
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS AND OTHER EQUITY INTERESTS (COST \$483,358,267)			
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS (COST \$15,591,382) 1.6%			
MONEY MARKET FUNDS 1.6%			
(g)	Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio, 0.00%	United States	15,591,3
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (COST \$498,949,649) 99.7%			
OTHER ASSETS, LESS LIABILITIES 0.3%			
NET ASSETS 100.0%			

See Abbreviations on page 21.

- (a) Security has been deemed illiquid because it may not be able to be sold within seven days.
- (b) Security was purchased pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 and may be sold in transactions exempt from registration only to qualified institutional buyers or in a public offering registered under the Securities Act of 1933. These securities have been deemed liquid under guidelines approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. At June 30, 2009, the aggregate value of these securities was \$5,442,214, representing 0.56% of net assets.
- (c) Non-income producing.
- (d) Security was purchased pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, which exempts from registration securities offered and sold outside of the United States. Such a security cannot be sold in the United States without either an effective registration statement filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, or pursuant to an exemption from registration. This security has been deemed liquid under guidelines approved by the Fund's Board of Trustees. At June 30, 2009, the value of this security was \$775,984, representing 0.08% of net assets.
- (e) Rounds to less than 0.1% of net assets.
- (f) A portion or all of the security purchased on a delayed delivery basis. See Note 1(c).
- (g) See Note 7 regarding investments in the Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio. The rate shown is the annualized seven-day yield at period end.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

June 30, 2009 (unaudited)

Assets:

Investments in securities:

Cost - Unaffiliated issuers	\$483,358,267
Cost - Sweep Money Fund (Note 7)	15,591,382

Total cost of investments	\$498,949,649
	=====
Value - Unaffiliated issuers	\$949,676,014
Value - Sweep Money Fund (Note 7)	15,591,382

Total value of investments	965,267,396
Cash	2,917,990
Foreign currency, at value (cost \$662)	664
Receivables:	
Investment securities sold	2,104,439
Dividends	2,721,778

Total assets	973,012,267

Liabilities:

Payables:

Investment securities purchased	3,095,768
Affiliates	1,092,565
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	249,170

Total liabilities	4,437,503

Net assets, at value	\$968,574,764
	=====

Net assets consist of:

Paid-in capital	\$458,954,780
Undistributed net investment income	30,202,439
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) ..	466,316,095
Accumulated net realized gain (loss)	13,101,450
	=====
Net assets, at value	\$968,574,764
	=====
Shares outstanding	37,873,327
	=====
Net asset value per share	\$ 25.57
	=====

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STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

for the six months ended June 30, 2009 (unaudited)

Investment income:

Dividends: (net of foreign taxes withheld of \$714,173)

Unaffiliated issuers	\$ 15,33
Sweep Money Fund (Note 7)	

Total investment income	15,34
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Expenses:

Management fees (Note 3a)	4,83
Administrative fees (Note 3b)	58
Transfer agent fees	6
Custodian fees (Note 4)	13
Reports to shareholders	2
Registration and filing fees	1
Professional fees	6
Directors' fees and expenses	3
Other	1

Total expenses	5,78
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Expense reductions (Note 4)	
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Net expenses	5,78
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Net investment income	9,56
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Realized and unrealized gains (losses):

Net realized gain (loss) from:

Investments	33
Foreign currency transactions	2

Net realized gain (loss)	36
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Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:

Investments	246,89
Translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies ..	(

Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	246,89
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Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	247,25
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Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 256,82
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	SIX MONTHS END JUNE 30, 200 (UNAUDITED)
Increase (decrease) in net assets:	
Operations:	
Net investment income	\$ 9,562,222
Net realized gain (loss) from investments and foreign currency transactions	362,163
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments and translation of other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies	246,896,946
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	256,821,331
Distributions to shareholders from:	
Net investment income	--
Net realized gains	--
Total distributions to shareholders	--
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	256,821,331
Net assets:	
Beginning of period	711,753,433
End of period	\$968,574,764
Undistributed net investment income included in net assets:	
End of period	\$ 30,202,439

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc. (Fund) is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, (1940 Act) as a closed-end investment company.

The following summarizes the Fund's significant accounting policies.

A. SECURITY VALUATION

Equity and other securities listed on a securities exchange or on the NASDAQ National Market System are valued at the last quoted sale price or the official closing price of the day, respectively. Over-the-counter securities and listed securities for which there is no reported sale are valued within the range of the most recent quoted bid and ask prices. Securities that trade in multiple

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markets or on multiple exchanges are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. Certain equity securities are valued based upon fundamental characteristics or relationships to similar securities. Investments in open-end mutual funds are valued at the closing net asset value.

Foreign equity securities are valued as of the close of trading on the foreign stock exchange on which the security is primarily traded, or the NYSE, whichever is earlier. If no sale is reported at that time, the foreign equity security will be valued within the range of the most recent quoted bid and ask prices. The value is then converted into its U.S. dollar equivalent at the foreign exchange rate in effect at the close of the NYSE on the day that the value of the security is determined.

The Fund has procedures to determine the fair value of individual securities and other assets for which market prices are not readily available or which may not be reliably priced. Methods for valuing these securities may include: fundamental analysis based upon the underlying investment book value, anticipated future cash flows, market changes in comparable or similar securities, matrix pricing, discounts from market prices of similar securities, or discounts applied due to the nature and duration of restrictions on the disposition of the securities. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such securities, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market for such investments existed. Occasionally, events occur between the time at which trading in a security is completed and the close of the NYSE that might call into question the availability (including the reliability) of the value of a portfolio security held by the Fund. The investment manager monitors price movements following the close of trading in foreign stock markets through a series of country specific market proxies (such as baskets of American Depositary Receipts, futures contracts and exchange traded funds). These price movements are measured against established trigger thresholds for each specific market proxy to assist in determining if an event has occurred. If such an event occurs, the securities may be valued using fair value procedures, which may include the use of independent pricing services. All security valuation procedures are approved by the Fund's Board of Directors.

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

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, income and expense items denominated in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at the exchange rate in effect on the transaction date. Occasionally, events may impact the availability or reliability of foreign exchange rates used to convert the U.S. dollar equivalent value. If such an event occurs, the foreign exchange rate will be valued at fair value using procedures established and approved by the Fund's Board of Directors.

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 on the

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Statement of Operations.

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. SECURITIES PURCHASED ON A DELAYED DELIVERY BASIS

The Fund may purchase securities on a delayed delivery basis, with payment and delivery scheduled for a future date. These transactions are subject to market fluctuations and are subject to the risk that the value at delivery may be more or less than the trade date purchase price. Although the Fund will generally purchase these securities with the intention of holding the securities, it may sell the securities before the settlement date. Sufficient assets have been segregated for these securities.

D. FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS

The Fund enters into foreign exchange contracts in order to manage foreign exchange rate risk between the trade date and settlement date of securities transactions. A foreign exchange contract is an agreement between the Fund and a counterparty to buy or sell a foreign currency for a specific exchange rate on a future date.

E. INCOME TAXES

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

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

1. ORGANIZATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. INCOME TAXES (CONTINUED)

The Fund has reviewed the tax positions, taken on federal income tax returns, for each of the three open tax years and as of June 30, 2009, and has determined that no provision for income tax is required in the Fund's financial statements.

Foreign securities held by the Fund may be subject to foreign taxation on dividend income received. Foreign taxes, if any, are recorded based on the tax regulations and rates that exist in the foreign markets in which the Fund invests.

F. 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.

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Estimated expenses are accrued daily. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date except that certain dividends from foreign securities are recognized as soon as the Fund is notified of the ex-dividend date. Distributions to shareholders are recorded on the ex-dividend date and are determined according to income tax regulations (tax basis). Distributable earnings determined on a tax basis may differ from earnings recorded in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These differences may be permanent or temporary. Permanent differences are reclassified among capital accounts to reflect their tax character. These reclassifications have no impact on net assets or the results of operations. Temporary differences are not reclassified, as they may reverse in subsequent periods.

G. ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

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 expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

H. GUARANTEES AND INDEMNIFICATIONS

Under the Fund's organizational documents, its officers and Directors are indemnified by the Fund against certain liabilities arising out of the performance of their duties to the Fund. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. Currently, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

2. CAPITAL STOCK

At June 30, 2009, there were 100 million shares authorized (\$0.01 par value). During the period ended June 30, 2006 and the year ended December 31, 2008 there were no shares issued; all reinvested distributions were satisfied with previously issued shares purchased in the open market.

The Fund's Board of Directors previously authorized an open-market share repurchase program pursuant to which the Fund may purchase, from time to time, Fund shares in open-market transactions, at the discretion of management. This authorization remains in effect. During the period ended June 30, 2009 and year ended December 31, 2008, there were no shares repurchased.

3. TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATES

Franklin Resources, Inc. is the holding company for various subsidiaries that together are referred to as Franklin Templeton Investments. Certain officers and directors of the Fund are also officers and/or directors of the following subsidiaries:

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SUBSIDIARY	AFFILIATION
Templeton Asset Management Ltd. (TAML)	Investment manager
Franklin Templeton Services, LLC (FT Services)	Administrative manager

A. MANAGEMENT FEES

The Fund pays an investment management fee to TAML based on the average weekly net assets of the Fund as follows:

ANNUALIZED FEE RATE	NET ASSETS
1.250%	Up to and including \$1 billion
1.200%	Over \$1 billion, up to and including \$5 billion
1.150%	Over \$5 billion, up to and including \$10 billion
1.100%	Over \$10 billion, up to and including \$15 billion
1.050%	Over \$15 billion, up to and including \$20 billion
1.000%	In excess of \$20 billion

B. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES

The Fund pays an administrative fee to FT Services of 0.15% per year of the average weekly net assets, of which 0.10% is paid to Nomura Asset Management U.S.A. Inc., for sub-administrative services. On May 19, 2009, the Fund's Board of Directors approved the termination of its sub-administrative agreement with Nomura and all administration fees will be retained by FT Services effective on August 1, 2009.

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4. EXPENSE OFFSET ARRANGEMENT

The Fund has entered into an arrangement with its custodian whereby credits realized as a result of uninvested cash balances are used to reduce a portion of the Fund's custodian expenses. During the period ended June 30, 2009, the custodian fees were reduced as noted in the Statement of Operations.

5. INCOME TAXES

For tax purposes, realized capital losses and realized currency losses occurring subsequent to October 31, may be deferred and treated as occurring on the first day of the following fiscal year. At December 31, 2008, the Fund deferred realized capital losses and realized currency losses of \$1,119,925 and \$11,962, respectively.

At June 30, 2009, the cost of investments and net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) for income tax purposes were as follows:

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Cost of investments	\$501,970,140
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Unrealized appreciation	\$506,304,710
Unrealized depreciation	(43,007,454)

Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	\$463,297,256
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Net investment income differs for financial statement and tax purposes primarily due to differing treatments of foreign currency transactions and corporate actions.

Net realized gains (losses) differ for financial statement and tax purposes primarily due to differing treatments of wash sales and foreign currency transactions.

6. INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS

Purchases and sales of investments (excluding short term securities) for the period ended June 30, 2009, aggregated \$40,939,479 and \$41,624,705, respectively.

7. INVESTMENTS IN INSTITUTIONAL FIDUCIARY TRUST MONEY MARKET PORTFOLIO

The Fund may invest in the Institutional Fiduciary Trust Money Market Portfolio (Sweep Money Fund), an open-end investment company managed by Franklin Advisers, Inc. (an affiliate of the investment manager). Management fees paid by the Fund are reduced on assets invested in the Sweep Money Fund, in an amount not to exceed the management and administrative fees paid by the Sweep Money Fund.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

8. CONCENTRATION OF RISK

Investing in foreign securities may include certain risks and considerations not typically associated with investing in U.S. securities, such as fluctuating currency values and changing local and regional economic, political and social conditions, which may result in greater market volatility. In addition, certain foreign securities may not be as liquid as U.S. securities.

9. REORGANIZATION TO A DELAWARE STATUTORY TRUST

On May 29, 2002, the Board of Directors approved an Agreement and Plan of Reorganization (Agreement) whereby the Fund would be reorganized and its domicile changed from a Maryland corporation to a Delaware statutory trust. The completion of the reorganization is pending guidance from the National Tax Agency in Japan relating to the tax treatment of the Plan under Japanese laws with respect to the Fund's Japanese shareholders. If and when the reorganization is completed, the Delaware statutory trust will be the successor to the Fund.

10. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 157, "Fair Value Measurement" (SFAS 157) establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market data obtained from independent sources (observable inputs) and the Fund's own market assumptions (unobservable inputs). These inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments and are summarized in the following fair value hierarchy:

- Level 1 - quoted prices in active markets for identical securities
- Level 2 - other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speed, credit risk, etc.)
- Level 3 - significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

10. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of June 30, 2009, in valuing the Fund's assets and liabilities carried at fair value:

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
ASSETS:				
Investments in Securities				
Equity Investments:(a)				
Auto Components	\$ 19,909,880	\$--	\$-- (b)	\$ 19,909,880
All Other Equity Investments(c)	929,766,134	--	--	929,766,134
Short Term Investments	15,591,382	--	--	15,591,382
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Total Investments in Securities ..	\$965,267,396	\$--	\$--	\$965,267,396
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(a) Includes common stock as well as other equity investments.

(b) Includes securities determined to have no value at June 30, 2009.

(c) For detailed industry descriptions, see the accompanying Statement of Investments.

At June 30, 2009, the reconciliation of assets in which significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) were used in determining fair value, is as follows:

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	BEGINNING BALANCE	NET REALIZED GAIN (LOSS)	NET CHANGE IN UNREALIZED APPRECIATION (DEPRECIATION)	NET PURCHASES (SALES)	TRANSFERS IN (OUT) OF LEVEL
ASSETS:					
Investments in Securities					
Equity Investments:					
Auto Components	\$ --	\$--	\$(1,259,860)	\$--	\$1,259,860
Automobiles	952,764	--	--	--	(952,764)
Total Investments in Securities	\$952,764	\$--	\$(1,259,860)	\$--	\$ 307,000

11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through August 18, 2009 and determined that no events have occurred that require disclosure.

ABBREVIATIONS

SELECTED PORTFOLIO

ADR - American Depository Receipt

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS, MAY 29, 2009

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of the Fund was held at the Fund's offices, 500 E. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on May 29, 2009. The purpose of the meeting was to elect four Directors of the Fund. At the meeting, the following persons were elected by the shareholders to serve as Directors of the Fund: Ann Torre Bates, David W. Niemiec, Frank A. Olson and Robert E. Wade.* No other business was transacted at the meeting.

The results of the voting at the Annual Meeting are as follows:

The election of four Directors:

TERM EXPIRING 2012	FOR	% OF OUTSTANDING SHARES	% OF SHARES PRESENT AND VOTING	WITHHELD	% OF OUTSTANDING SHARES	% OF P AN
Ann Torre Bates.....	26,931,523	71.11%	80.32%	6,599,612	17.43%	
David W. Niemiec.....	26,970,210	71.21%	80.43%	6,560,925	17.32%	
Frank A. Olson.....	26,829,292	70.84%	80.01%	6,701,843	17.70%	
Robert E. Wade.....	27,041,501	71.40%	80.65%	6,489,634	17.14%	

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* Charles B. Johnson, Gregory E. Johnson, Harris J. Ashton, Frank J. Crothers, Edith E. Holiday, Larry D. Thompson and Constantine D. Tseretopoulos are Directors of the Fund who are currently serving and whose terms of office continued after the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND CASH PURCHASE PLAN

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

If shares of the Fund are held in the shareholder's name, the shareholder will automatically be a participant in the Plan, unless he elects to withdraw. If shares are registered in the name of a broker-dealer or other nominee (i.e., in "street name"), the broker-dealer or nominee will elect to participate in the Plan on the shareholder's behalf unless the shareholder instructs them otherwise, or unless the reinvestment service is not provided by the broker-dealer or nominee.

Participants should contact BNY Mellon Shareowner Services, P.O. Box 358035, Pittsburgh, PA 15252-8035, to receive the Plan brochure.

To receive dividends or distributions in cash, the shareholder must notify The Bank of New York Mellon (the "Plan Administrator") at the address above or the institution in whose name the shares are held. The Plan Administrator must receive written notice ten business days before the record date for a distribution.

Whenever the Fund declares dividends in either cash or shares 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 new shares 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 the Plan Administrator, 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 can be made by check or money order payable to The Bank of New York Mellon and sent to BNY Mellon Shareowner Services, P.O. Box 382009, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-8009, Attention: Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc. The Plan Administrator will 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.

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.

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

A participant may withdraw from the Plan without penalty at any time by written

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notice to the Plan Administrator and sent to BNY Mellon Shareowner Services, P.O. Box 358035, Pittsburgh, PA 15252-8035. Upon withdrawal, the participant will receive, without charge, share certificates issued in the participant's name for all full shares held by the Plan Administrator; or, if the

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

DIVIDEND REINVESTMENT AND CASH PURCHASE PLAN (CONTINUED)

participant wishes, the Plan Administrator will sell the shares and send the proceeds to the participant, less a service charge of \$15.00 and less trading fees of \$0.12 per share. The Plan Administrator will convert any fractional shares you hold at the time of your withdrawal to cash at current market price and send you a check for the net proceeds.

DIRECT DEPOSIT SERVICE FOR REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS

Cash distributions can now be electronically credited to a checking or savings account at any financial institution that participates in the Automated Clearing House ("ACH") system. The Direct Deposit service is provided for registered shareholders at no charge. To enroll in the service, access your account online by going to <http://vault.bnymellon.com/isd> or dial 1-800-416-5585 (toll free) and follow the instructions. Direct Deposit will begin with the next scheduled distribution payment date following enrollment in the service.

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

TRANSFER AGENT

BNY Mellon Shareowner Services
P.O. Box 358035
Pittsburgh, PA 15252-8035
1-800-416-5585
www.bnymellon.com

DIRECT REGISTRATION

If you are a registered shareholder of the Fund, purchases of shares of the Fund can be electronically credited to your Fund account at BNY Mellon Shareowner Services through Direct Registration. This service provides shareholders with a convenient way to keep track of shares through book entry transactions, to electronically move book-entry shares between broker-dealers, transfer agents and DRS eligible issuers, and eliminates the possibility of lost certificates. For additional information, please contact BNY Mellon Shareowner Services at 1-800-416-5585.

SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

Shares of Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc. are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol TDF. The Fund's shares were also listed and traded in Japan on the Osaka Securities Exchange Co., Ltd. until July 6, 2009. Information about the net asset value and the market price is published each Monday in the WALL

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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 SERVICE DIRECT(R). For information go to BNY Mellon Shareowner Services' web site at <http://vault.bnymellon.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 Dragon Fund, Inc., 100 Fountain Parkway, P.O. Box 33030, St. Petersburg, FL 33733-8030.

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Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc.

SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION

BOARD REVIEW OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

At a meeting held February 24, 2009, the Board of Directors (Board), including a majority of non-interested or independent Directors, approved renewal of the investment management agreement for Templeton Dragon Fund, Inc. (Fund). In reaching this decision, the Board took into account information furnished throughout the year at regular Board meetings, as well as information prepared specifically in connection with the annual renewal review process. Information furnished and discussed throughout the year included investment performance reports on the Fund, information on its share price discount to net asset value, and other related financial information, as well as periodic reports on legal, compliance, pricing, brokerage commissions and execution and other services provided by the Investment Manager (Manager) and its affiliates. Information furnished specifically in connection with the renewal process included a report prepared by Lipper, Inc. (Lipper), an independent organization, as well as additional material, including a Fund profitability analysis report prepared by management. The Lipper report compared the Fund's investment performance and expenses with those of other funds deemed comparable to the Fund as selected by Lipper. The Fund profitability analysis report discussed the profitability to Franklin Templeton Investments from its overall U.S. fund operations, as well as on an individual fund-by-fund basis. Included with such profitability analysis report was information on a fund-by-fund basis listing portfolio managers and other accounts they manage, as well as information on management fees charged by the Manager and its affiliates including management's explanation of differences where relevant, and a three-year expense analysis with an explanation for any increase in expense ratios. Additional material accompanying such report was a memorandum prepared by management describing project initiatives and capital investments relating to the services provided to the Fund by the Franklin Templeton Investments organization, as well as a memorandum relating to economies of scale. Such material also discussed some of the actions taken by management in coping with problems arising out of the past year's financial

upheaval.

In considering such materials, the independent Directors received assistance and advice from and met separately with independent counsel. In approving continuance of the investment management agreement for the Fund, the Board, including a majority of independent Directors, determined that the existing management fee structure was fair and reasonable and that continuance of the investment management agreement was in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders. While attention was given to all information furnished, the following discusses some primary factors relevant to the Board's decision.

NATURE, EXTENT AND QUALITY OF SERVICE. The Board was satisfied with the nature and quality of the overall services provided by the Manager and its affiliates to the Fund and its shareholders. In addition to investment performance and expenses discussed later, the Board's opinion was based, in part, upon periodic reports furnished it showing that the investment policies and restrictions for the Fund were consistently complied with as well as other reports periodically furnished the Board covering matters such as the compliance of portfolio managers and other management personnel with the code of ethics adopted throughout the Franklin Templeton fund complex, the adherence to fair value pricing procedures established by the Board, and the accuracy

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SHAREHOLDER INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

BOARD REVIEW OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (CONTINUED)

of net asset value calculations. Favorable consideration was given to management's continuous efforts and expenditures in establishing back-up systems and recovery procedures to function in the event of a natural disaster, it being noted that such systems and procedures had functioned smoothly during the Florida hurricanes and blackouts experienced in recent years. Among other factors taken into account by the Board were the Manager's best execution trading policies, including a favorable report by an independent portfolio trading analytical firm. Consideration was also given to the experience of the Fund's portfolio management team, the number of accounts managed and general method of compensation. In this latter respect, the Board noted that a primary factor in management's determination of the level of a portfolio manager's bonus compensation was the relative investment performance of the funds he or she managed and that a portion of such bonus was required to be invested in a predesignated list of funds within such person's fund management area so as to be aligned with the interests of Fund shareholders. Particular attention was given to the overall performance and actions taken by the Manager and its affiliates in response to problems arising out of the market turmoil and financial crisis experienced during the past year. In this respect, the Board noted that management's independent credit analysis and diligent risk management procedures had prevented any structured investment products or other volatile instruments from being held in the portfolios of any of the money market funds within the Franklin Templeton complex, including the sweep money fund utilized by the Fund as part of its cash management. The Board also took into account, among other things, the strong financial position of the Manager's parent company and its commitment to the fund business. The Board also noted that during the past year Franklin Templeton Investments, like many other fund managers, had announced a hiring freeze and implemented employee reductions, and the Board discussed with management the nature of such reductions and steps being taken to minimize any negative impact on the nature and quality of

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services being provided the Fund.

INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE. The Board placed significant emphasis on the investment performance of the Fund in view of i