HERZFELD CARIBBEAN BASIN FUND INC

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FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-06445

_____ The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) 119 Washington Avenue, Suite 504, Miami Beach FL 33139 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) THOMAS J. HERZFELD 119 Washington Avenue, Suite 504, Miami Beach FL 33139 (Name and address of agent for service) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 305-271-1900 Date of fiscal year end: 06/30/13 Date of reporting period: 09/30/12 ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS AS OF September 30, 2012 (unaudited) ______ Shares or Principal Amount Description Market Value _____ Common stocks - 93.54% of net assets Airlines - 6.22% 23,500 Copa Holdings, S.A. 1,909,845 Banking and finance - 8.41% 20,780 Bancolombia, S.A. 1,240,774

39,000 Banco Latinoamericano de Exportaciones, S.A.

11,500 Doral Financial Corp.

3,844 W Holding Co. Inc.

6,000 Popular Inc.

861,510

10,818

104,580

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20,000	Western Union Company	364,400
209,144 44,690 12,698 5,028 23,666 32,400	Communications - 9.82% America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. Series L America Movil, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc. Fuego Enterprises Inc. Grupo Radio Centro, S.A.B. ADR Grupo Televisa, S.A.B. ADR Spanish Broadcasting System, Inc.	91,096 266,772 1,136,914 545,760 1,760 181,991 761,724 26,178
70,348	Conglomerates and holdings companies - 0.06% Admiralty Holding Company BCB Holdings Ltd. Shellshock Ltd. Ord.	 15,336 2,309
57,655 20 4,100 74,132 6,400	Construction and related - 8.82% Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. Series CPO Cemex S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Ceramica Carabobo Class A ADR Homex Development Corp Mastec, Inc. Vulcan Materials Martin Marietta Materials	48,331 480,266 55,924 1,421,000 302,720 397,776
	Consumer products and related manufacturing - 5.61% Grupo Casa Saba, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Watsco Incorporated	122,948 1,599,169
53,874 17,500 5,000 18,900	Food, beverages and tobacco - 11.15% Chiquita Brands International Inc. Cleanpath Resources Corp. Coca Cola Femsa, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A.B. de C.V. ADR Fomento Economico Mexicano, S.A.B. de C.V. Series UBD Fresh Del Monte Produce Inc.	152,800 151 2,257,500 459,900 174,238 376,064
35,500	Housing - 4.02% Lennar Corporation	1,234,335
•	Investment companies - 0.01% Shellproof Limited Waterloo Investment Holdings Ltd	3 , 069
45,000	Leisure - 11.50% Carnival Corp. Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd. Steiner Leisure Ltd.	1,494,040 1,359,450 676,232
	Mining - 0.37% Grupo Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series B Tahoe Resources, Inc.	12,811 101,800
18,300	Pulp and paper - 0.14% Kimberly-Clark de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series A	43,753

	Railroad - 5.60%			
20,500	Norfolk Southern Corporation	1,304,415		
15,110	RailAmerica Inc.	415,072		
	Retail - 4.88%			
1,270	Grupo Elektra, S.A.B. de C.V. Series CPO	51,808		
12,000	Pricesmart, Inc.	908,640		
190,222	Wal-Mart de Mexico, S.A.B. de C.V. Series V	536,316		
	Service - 0.02%			
700	Grupo Aeroportuario del Sureste, S.A.B. de C.V. Series	3 6 , 179		
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	Trucking and marine freight - 11.46%			
12,280	Grupo TMM, S.A.B. ADR	11,740		
1,321	Seaboard Corporation	2,985,632		
2,000	Seacor Holdings, Inc.	166,720		
8,361	Teekay LNG Partners LP	314,541		
28,000	Ultrapetrol Bahamas Ltd.	39,760		
	Utilities - 4.24%			
•	Caribbean Utilities Ltd. Class A	117,600		
66,841	Consolidated Water, Inc.	552 , 775		
	Cuban Electric Company			
35,500	Teco Energy Inc.	629,770		
	Other - 1.21%			
500.000	Cuba Business Development			
•	Geltech Solutions Inc.	16,000		
•	Impellam Group	70,324		
•	Margo Caribe, Inc.	283,519		
•	Siderurgica Venezolana Sivensa, S.A. ADR	203,313		
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	Bonds - 0.00% of net assets			
165,000	Republic of Cuba - 4.5%, 1977 -			
•	in default (cost \$63,038)			
Other assets less liabilities - 6.46 % of net assets \$ 1,981,594				
Net assets	- 100% (APPLICABLE TO 3,713,071 SHARES; EQUIVALENT			
	TO \$8.26 PER SHARE)	\$ 30,688,526		
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Security Valuation

The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") records its investments in securities at fair value. Under generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e., the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

In determining fair value, the Fund uses various valuation approaches. GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy for inputs used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available.

Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Fund. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund's assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three levels based on the inputs as follows:

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

The availability of valuation techniques and observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors including the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, and other characteristics particular to the transaction. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Those estimated values do not necessarily represent the amounts that may be ultimately realized due to the occurrence of future circumstances that cannot be reasonably determined. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, those estimated values may be materially higher or lower than the values that would have been used had a ready market for the securities existed. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised by the Fund in determining fair value is greatest for securities categorized in Level 3. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement in its entirety falls, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Fair value is a market-based measure considered from the perspective of a market participant rather than an entity-specific measure. Therefore, even when market assumptions are not readily available, the Fund's own assumptions are set to reflect those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. The Fund uses prices and inputs that are current as of the measurement date, including periods of market dislocation. In periods of market dislocation, the observability of prices and inputs may be reduced for many securities. This condition could cause a security to be reclassified to a lower level within the fair value hierarchy.

Investments in securities traded on a national securities exchange (or reported on the NASDAQ National Market or Capital Market) are stated at the last reported sales price on the day of valuation (or at the NASDAQ official closing price); other securities traded in the over-the-counter market and listed securities for which no sale was reported on the date are stated at the last quoted bid price. Restricted securities and other securities for which quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined by the Board of Directors.

The following table summarizes the classification of the Fund's investments by the above fair value hierarchy levels as of September 30, 2012:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Assets (at fair value)				
Common Stocks	\$28,615,894	\$91 , 038	\$0	\$28,706,932
Debt Securities	0	0	0	0

Total Investments in securities \$28,615,894 \$91,038 \$0 \$28,706,932

The following is a reconciliation of assets in which significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) were used to determine fair value:

Balance June 30, 2012	Investments in Securities at Fair Value \$0			
Unrealized gain/(loss)	0			
Net purchases	0			
Net sales	(0)			
Transfers into Level 3	0			
Transfers out of Level 3	(0)			
Balance September 30, 2012	\$0			

ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

- (a) The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this Form N-Q that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS

The certifications required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 are attached as an exhibit to this filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

The Herzfeld Caribbean Basin Fund, Inc.

By /s/ Thomas J. Herzfeld
----Thomas J. Herzfeld
Chairman and President

Date: November 28, 2012

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 /s/ Thomas J. Herzfeld
----Thomas J. Herzfeld

Chairman and President

Date: November 28, 2012

By /s/ Cecilia L. Gondor

Cecilia L. Gondor

Treasurer

Date: November 28, 2012