



**JF CHINA REGION FUND, INC.**

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**APPOINTMENT OF NEW DIRECTOR**

**BOSTON, MA, October 1, 2008** – The Board of Directors of the JF China Region Fund, Inc. (NYSE: JFC; the “Fund”) announces today the appointment of Mr. John.R.Rettberg as an independent Director of the Fund, effective October 1, 2008. Mr. Rettberg is the retired Treasurer of the Northrop Grumman Corporation where he worked for over 33 years. Mr. Rettberg will be a class II Director under the Fund’s staggered board system, and his term will expire at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

Additionally, to comply with certain New York Stock Exchange requirements relating to classified boards, the Board of Directors has agreed that an Officer of the Fund will stand for election as a Director at the Fund’s next annual stockholder meeting currently scheduled to be held in May 2009.

The Fund is a non-diversified, closed-end management investment company whose shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The Fund trades under the symbol “JFC.”

The JF China Region Fund, Inc. invests primarily in equity securities of companies with substantial assets in, or revenues derived from, the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao--collectively, the China Region.

JPMorgan Fund Services, in Boston, MA is the Fund’s accounting and administrative agent.

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