

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.  
Form N-Q  
March 30, 2012

**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 811-22011

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

522 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10036  
(Zip code)

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522 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10036  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 212-296-6990

Date of fiscal year end: October 31, 2012

Date of reporting period: January 31, 2012

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**Item 1. Schedule of Investments.**

The Fund's schedule of investments as of the close of the reporting period prepared pursuant to Rule 12-12 of Regulation S-X is as follows:

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Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

Portfolio of Investments

First Quarter Report

January 31, 2012 (unaudited)

|   |     | Face<br>Amount<br>(000) | Value<br>(000) |
|---|-----|-------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Fixed Income Securities (99.6%)</b>  |     |                         |                |
| <b>Argentina (4.1%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (4.1%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Argentina Boden Bonds,<br>7.00%, 10/3/15  | \$  | 66,500                  | \$ 64,810      |
| <b>Brazil (18.8%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (18.8%)</b>  |     |                         |                |
| Brazil Notas do Tesouro Nacional, Series F,<br>10.00%, 1/1/14   | BRL | 522,172                 | 298,493        |
| <b>Chile (0.6%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (0.6%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Chile Government International Bond,<br>5.50%, 8/5/20   | CLP | 4,665,000               | 9,916          |
| <b>Colombia (5.0%)</b>  |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (5.0%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Colombia Government International Bond,<br>7.75%, 4/14/21   | COP | 29,000,000              | 19,268         |
| 12.00%, 10/22/15  |     | 33,000,000              | 23,261         |
| Republic of Colombia,<br>9.85%, 6/28/27   |     | 46,000,000              | 36,758         |
|   |     |                         | 79,287         |
| <b>Hungary (6.2%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (6.2%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Hungary Government Bond,<br>6.75%, 2/24/17  | HUF | 14,588,920              | 59,730         |
| 7.50%, 11/12/20   |     | 9,480,000               | 38,641         |
|   |     |                         | 98,371         |
| <b>Indonesia (7.8%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (7.8%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Barclays Bank PLC, Indonesia Government Bonds, Credit Linked Notes,<br>10.00%, 7/17/17 (a)(b)         | IDR | 360,000,000             | 49,719         |
| Credit Suisse, Indonesia Government Bonds, Credit Linked Notes,<br>10.00%, 7/17/17                    |     | 154,683,530             | 21,363         |
| Deutsche Bank AG, Republic of Indonesia Government Bond, Credit Linked Notes,<br>11.00%, 12/15/20 (b) |     | 60,000,000              | 9,280          |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank, London, Indonesia Government Bonds, Credit Linked Notes,<br>8.25%, 7/17/21       |     | 135,000,000             | 18,174         |
| 10.00%, 7/19/17 (b)   |     | 192,525,000             | 26,589         |
|   |     |                         | 125,125        |
| <b>Malaysia (3.2%)</b>  |     |                         |                |
| <b>Sovereign (3.2%)</b>   |     |                         |                |
| Malaysia Government Bond,   |     |                         |                |

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3.84%, 8/12/15

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|   |     | Face<br>Amount<br>(000) |    | Value<br>(000) |
|---|-----|-------------------------|----|----------------|
| 5.09%, 4/30/14                            | MYR | 42,152                  | \$ | 14,509         |
|   |     |                         |    | 51,584         |
| <b>Mexico (15.5%)</b>                     |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (15.5%)</b>                  |     |                         |    |                |
| Mexican Bonos,                            |     |                         |    |                |
| 8.00%, 6/11/20                            | MXN | 2,104,028               |    | 186,263        |
| Petroleos Mexicanos,                      |     |                         |    |                |
| 7.65%, 11/24/21 (a)                       |     | 791,300                 |    | 61,548         |
|   |     |                         |    | 247,811        |
| <b>Peru (1.8%)</b>                        |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (1.8%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| Peru Government Bond,                     |     |                         |    |                |
| 7.84%, 8/12/20                            | PEN | 37,745                  |    | 16,095         |
| Peruvian Government International Bond,   |     |                         |    |                |
| 7.84%, 8/12/20                            |     | 30,000                  |    | 12,792         |
|   |     |                         |    | 28,887         |
| <b>Philippines (1.0%)</b>                 |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (1.0%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| Philippine Government International Bond, |     |                         |    |                |
| 4.95%, 1/15/21                            | PHP | 648,000                 |    | 15,811         |
| <b>Poland (8.3%)</b>                      |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (8.3%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| Poland Government Bond,                   |     |                         |    |                |
| 5.25%, 10/25/17                           | PLN | 120,000                 |    | 37,325         |
| 5.50%, 10/25/19                           |     | 307,287                 |    | 95,672         |
|   |     |                         |    | 132,997        |
| <b>Russia (2.4%)</b>                      |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (2.4%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| Russian Foreign Bond - Eurobond,          |     |                         |    |                |
| 7.85%, 3/10/18 (a)                        | RUB | 1,095,000               |    | 37,549         |
| <b>South Africa (9.5%)</b>                |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (9.5%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| South Africa Government Bond,             |     |                         |    |                |
| 7.25%, 1/15/20                            | ZAR | 1,070,711               |    | 133,786        |
| 8.00%, 12/21/18                           |     | 140,000                 |    | 18,465         |
|   |     |                         |    | 152,251        |
| <b>Thailand (4.1%)</b>                    |     |                         |    |                |
| <b>Sovereign (4.1%)</b>                   |     |                         |    |                |
| Thailand Government Bond,                 |     |                         |    |                |

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|  |     | Face<br>Amount<br>(000) |    | Value<br>(000)      |
|--|-----|-------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 4.25%, 3/13/13   | THB | 1,597,940               | \$ | 52,344              |
| 5.25%, 7/13/13   |     | 395,100                 |    | 13,169              |
|  |     |                         |    | 65,513              |
| <b>Turkey (7.3%)</b>   |     |                         |    |                     |
| <b>Sovereign (7.3%)</b>  |     |                         |    |                     |
| Turkey Government Bond,  |     |                         |    |                     |
| 10.00%, 2/15/12  | TRY | 20,716                  |    | 11,717              |
| 10.50%, 1/15/20  |     | 166,750                 |    | 99,336              |
| 16.00%, 3/7/12   |     | 9,340                   |    | 5,291               |
|  |     |                         |    | 116,344             |
| <b>Venezuela (4.0%)</b>  |     |                         |    |                     |
| <b>Sovereign (4.0%)</b>  |     |                         |    |                     |
| Petroleos de Venezuela SA,   |     |                         |    |                     |
| 8.50%, 11/2/17   | \$  | 79,500                  |    | 63,202              |
| Venezuela Government International Bond,   |     |                         |    |                     |
| 9.25%, 9/15/27   |     | 1,349                   |    | 1,049               |
|  |     |                         |    | 64,251              |
| <b>Total Fixed Income Securities (Cost \$1,580,668)</b>  |     |                         |    | <b>1,589,000</b>    |
| <b>Shares</b>  |     |                         |    |                     |
| <b>Short-Term Investment (0.4%)</b>  |     |                         |    |                     |
| <b>Investment Company (0.4%)</b>   |     |                         |    |                     |
| Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds - Money Market Portfolio - Institutional Class (c) (Cost \$6,184) |     |                         |    |                     |
|  |     | 6,184,270               |    | 6,184               |
| <b>Total Investments (100.0%) (Cost \$1,586,852) (d)+</b>  |     |                         |    | <b>1,595,184</b>    |
| <b>Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets</b>   |     |                         |    | <b>(318,075)</b>    |
| <b>Net Assets</b>  |     |                         |    | <b>\$ 1,277,109</b> |

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- (a) 144A security Certain conditions for public sale may exist. Unless otherwise noted, these securities are deemed to be liquid.
- (b) Variable/Floating Rate Security Interest rate changes on these instruments are based on changes in a designated base rate. The rates shown are those in effect on January 31, 2012.
- (c) The Fund invests in the Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds - Money Market Portfolio - Institutional Class (the Liquidity Fund), an open-end management investment company managed by the Adviser. Investment advisory fees paid by the Fund are reduced by an amount equal to the advisory and administrative service fees paid by the Liquidity Fund with respect to assets invested by the Fund in the Liquidity Fund.
- (d) Securities are available for collateral in connection with open foreign currency exchange contracts.
- + At January 31, 2012, the U.S. Federal income tax cost basis of investments was approximately \$1,586,852,000 and, accordingly, net unrealized appreciation for U.S. Federal income tax purposes was approximately \$8,332,000 of which approximately \$71,505,000 related to appreciated securities and approximately \$63,173,000 related to depreciated securities.
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**Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts Information:**

The Fund had the following foreign currency exchange contracts open at period end:

| Counterparty        | Currency to Deliver (000) | Value (000) | Settlement Date | In Exchange For (000) | Value (000) | Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) (000) |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------|--|
| JPMorgan Chase Bank | USD 44,653                | \$ 44,653   | 2/17/12         | RUB 1,417,637         | \$ 46,714   | \$ 2,061                                     |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank | USD 70,334                | 70,334      | 2/27/12         | MYR 219,830           | 72,144      | 1,810  |
| JPMorgan Chase Bank | USD 32,864                | 32,864      | 2/27/12         | THB 1,038,000         | 33,501      | 637  |
|                     |                           | \$ 147,851  |                 |                       | \$ 152,359  | \$ 4,508                                     |

|     |                      |
|-----|----------------------|
| BRL | Brazilian Real       |
| CLP | Chilean Peso         |
| COP | Colombian Peso       |
| HUF | Hungarian Forint     |
| IDR | Indonesian Rupiah    |
| MXN | Mexican New Peso     |
| MYR | Malaysian Ringgit    |
| PEN | Peruvian Nuevo Sol   |
| PHP | Philippine Peso      |
| PLN | Polish Zloty         |
| RUB | Russian Ruble        |
| THB | Thai Baht            |
| TRY | Turkish Lira         |
| USD | United States Dollar |
| ZAR | South African Rand   |

**Fair Value Measurement Information:**

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of January 31, 2012. (See Notes to the Portfolio of Investments for further information regarding fair value measurement.)

| Investment Type                                   | Level 1<br>Unadjusted<br>quoted<br>prices<br>(000) | Level 2<br>Other<br>significant<br>observable<br>inputs<br>(000) | Level 3<br>Significant<br>unobservable<br>inputs<br>(000) | Total<br>(000) |
|---|--|--|---|----------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>                                    |  |  |   |                |
| <b>Fixed Income Securities</b>                    |  |  |   |                |
| Sovereign   | \$   | \$ 1,589,000   | \$  | \$ 1,589,000   |
| <b>Total Fixed Income Securities</b>              |  | 1,589,000  |   | 1,589,000      |
| <b>Short-Term Investment - Investment Company</b> | 6,184  |  |   | 6,184          |
| <b>Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts</b>        |  | 4,508  |   | 4,508          |
| <b>Total Assets</b>                               | \$ 6,184   | \$ 1,593,508   | \$  | \$ 1,599,692   |

Transfers between investment levels may occur as the markets fluctuate and/or the availability of data used in an investment's valuation changes. The Fund recognizes transfers between the levels as of the end of the period. As of January 31, 2012, the Fund did not have any significant investments transfer between investment levels.

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Notes to the Portfolio of Investments • January 31, 2012 (unaudited)

**Security Valuation:** Bonds and other fixed income securities may be valued according to the broadest and most representative market. In addition, bonds and other fixed income securities may be valued on the basis of prices provided by a pricing service. The prices provided by a pricing service take into account broker dealer market price quotations for institutional size trading in similar groups of securities, security quality, maturity, coupon and other security characteristics as well as any developments related to the specific securities. Securities listed on a foreign exchange are valued at their closing price except as noted below. Unlisted securities and listed securities not traded on the valuation date for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the mean between the current bid and ask prices. Equity securities listed on a U.S. exchange are valued at the latest quoted sales price on the valuation date. Equity securities listed or traded on NASDAQ, for which market quotations are available, are valued at the NASDAQ Official Closing Price. Short-term debt securities purchased with remaining maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, unless the Board of Directors (the Directors) determines such valuation does not reflect the securities fair value, in which case these securities will be valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under procedures adopted by the Directors.

All other securities and investments for which market values are not readily available, including restricted securities, and those securities for which it is inappropriate to determine prices in accordance with the aforementioned procedures, are valued at fair value as determined in good faith under procedures adopted by the Directors, although the actual calculations may be done by others. Factors considered in making this determination may include, but are not limited to, information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange (for exchange-traded securities), analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents and, if necessary, available information concerning other securities in similar circumstances.

Most foreign markets close before the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ). Occasionally, developments that could affect the closing prices of securities and other assets may occur between the times at which valuations of such securities are determined (that is, close of the foreign market on which the securities trade) and the close of business on the NYSE. If these developments are expected to materially affect the value of the securities, the valuations may be adjusted to reflect the estimated fair value as of the close of the NYSE, as determined in good faith under procedures established by the Directors.

**Fair Value Measurement:** Financial Accounting Standards Board ( FASB ) Accounting Standards Codification ( ASC ) 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure ( ASC 820 ), defines fair value as the value that the Funds would receive to sell an investment or pay to transfer a liability in a timely transaction with an independent buyer in the principal market, or in the absence of a principal market the most advantageous market for the investment or liability. ASC 820 establishes a three-tier hierarchy to distinguish between (1) inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in valuing an asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity (observable inputs) and (2) inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in valuing an asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances (unobservable inputs) and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Funds' investments. The inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below.

- Level 1 unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical investments

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- Level 2 other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)
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- Level 3 significant unobservable inputs including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments. Factors considered in making this determination may include, but are not limited to, information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange (for exchange-traded securities), analysis of the issuer's financial statements or other available documents and, if necessary, available information concerning other securities in similar circumstances

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities and the determination of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to each security.

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**Item 2. Controls and Procedures.**

(a) The Fund's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Fund's disclosure controls and procedures are sufficient to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Fund in this Form N-Q was recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, based upon such officers' evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report.

(b) There were no changes in the Fund's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Fund's internal control over financial reporting.

**Item 3. Exhibits.**

(a) A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant are attached hereto.

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**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.

Morgan Stanley Emerging Markets Domestic Debt Fund, Inc.

/s/ Arthur Lev  
Arthur Lev  
Principal Executive Officer  
March 22, 2012

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ Arthur Lev  
Arthur Lev  
Principal Executive Officer  
March 22, 2012

/s/ Francis Smith  
Francis Smith  
Principal Financial Officer  
March 22, 2012

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