Morgan Stanley China A Share Fund, Inc. Form N-Q November 29, 2013

# 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 811-21926

Morgan Stanley China A Share 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)

John Gernon

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

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 212-296-0289

Date of fiscal year December 31, 2013

end:

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2013

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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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Portfolio of Investments

Third Quarter Report

September 30, 2013 (unaudited)

	Shares	Value (000)
Common Stocks (98.2%)		
Automobiles (9.6%)		
SAIC Motor Corp., Ltd., Class A	22,740,941	\$ 50,268
Beverages (4.1%)		
Tsingtao Brewery Co., Ltd., Class A	3,091,542	21,626
Isingulo Brewery Co., Etc., Class II	3,051,312	21,020
Capital Markets (4.1%)		
CITIC Securities Co., Ltd., Class A	10,840,944	21,788
Commercial Banks (10.6%)		
China Construction Bank Corp., Class A	49,610,844	34,835
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd., Class A	11,054,414	19,700
China Merchants Bank Co., Ltd. H Shares (a)	657,957	1,197
		55,732
Construction & Engineering (4.0%)	20 522 024	20.002
China State Construction Engineering Corp., Ltd., Class A	39,732,824	20,903
Construction Materials (5.7%)		
Anhui Conch Cement Co., Ltd.	12,400,148	30,254
Timul Conon Content Co., Etc.	12,100,110	30,231
Electrical Equipment (1.5%)		
TBEA Co., Ltd., Class A	4,019,869	7,931
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Food & Staples Retailing (4.0%)		
Zhongbai Holdings Group Co., Ltd., Class A	20,083,785	21,066
Health Care Providers & Services (2.4%)		
Shanghai Pharmaceuticals Holding Co., Ltd., Class A	5,030,580	12,797
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Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure (1.8%) Hangebou Songebong Tourism Development Co. Ltd.	2,867,926	9,588
Hangzhou Songcheng Tourism Development Co., Ltd.	2,807,920	9,300
Household Durables (4.8%)		
Gree Electric Appliances, Inc., Class A	2,352,221	10,211
Qingdao Haier Co., Ltd.	7,905,397	15,277
		25,488
Information Technology Services (2.5%)		
Hand Enterprise Solutions Co., Ltd.	4,715,685	12,998
Insurance (10.0%)		
China Pacific Insurance Group Co., Ltd., Class A	18,340,072	52,591
T. (1.45)		
Internet Software & Services (1.4%)	102.000	7.470
NetEase, Inc. ADR	102,900	7,472

Media (1.7%)		
Bona Film Group Ltd. ADR (b)	1,705,800	8,955
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels (3.9%)		
China Shenhua Energy Co., Ltd., Class A	7,462,931	20,312
Pharmaceuticals (9.9%)		
China Resources Sanjiu Medical & Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., Class A	12,840,559	51,954

Real Estate Management & Development (4.9%)		
China Vanke Co., Ltd., Class A	14,469,114	21,535
Shanghai Shimao Co., Ltd., Class A	2,564,149	4,345
		25,880
Software (5.7%)		
Yonyou Software Co., Ltd., Class A	13,436,754	30,156
Specialty Retail (0.7%)		
Suning Commerce Group Co., Ltd., Class A	1,789,896	3,752
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods (2.1%)		
XTEP International Holdings (a)	22,902,000	10,792
Transportation Infrastructure (2.8%)		
Jiangsu Expressway Co., Ltd.	5,798,434	5,337
Shanghai International Airport Co., Ltd.	3,897,312	9,636
		14,973
Total Common Stocks (Cost \$496,230)		517,276
Short-Term Investment (0.0%)		
Investment Company (0.0%)		
Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds - Money Market Portfolio - Institutional Class (c)		
(Cost \$77)	76,739	77
Total Investments (98.2%) (Cost \$496,307) (d)+		517,353
Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities (1.8%)		9,246
Net Assets (100.0%)		\$ 526,599

<sup>(</sup>a) Security trades on the Hong Kong exchange.

ADR American Depositary Receipt.

<sup>(</sup>b) Non-income producing security.

<sup>(</sup>c) The Fund invests in the Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds - Money Market Portfolio - Institutional Class (the Liquidity Funds ), an open-end management investment company managed by the Adviser. Advisory fees paid by the Fund are reduced by an amount equal to the advisory and administrative service fees paid by the Liquidity Funds with respect to assets invested by the Fund in the Liquidity Funds.

<sup>(</sup>d) The approximate fair value and percentage of net assets, \$448,895,000 and 85.2%, respectively, represent the securities that have been fair valued under the fair valuation policy for international investments as described in the Notes to the Portfolio of Investments.

<sup>+</sup> At September 30, 2013, the U.S. Federal income tax cost basis of investments was approximately \$496,307,000 and, accordingly, net unrealized appreciation for U.S. Federal income tax purposes was approximately \$21,046,000 of which approximately \$41,772,000 related to appreciated securities and approximately \$20,726,000 related to depreciated securities.

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Notes to the Portfolio of Investments • September 30, 2013 (unaudited)

Security Valuation: (1) An equity portfolio security listed or traded on an exchange is valued at its latest reported sales price (or at the exchange official closing price if such exchange reports an official closing price), if there were no sales on a given day, the security is valued at the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices; (2) all other equity portfolio securities for which over-the-counter market quotations are readily available are valued at the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices. In cases where a security is traded on more than one exchange, the security is valued on the exchange designated as the primary market; (3) when market quotations are not readily available, including circumstances under which Morgan Stanley Investment Management Inc. (the Adviser) determines that the closing price, last sale price or the mean between the last reported bid and asked prices are not reflective of a security s market value, portfolio securities are valued at their fair value as determined in good faith under procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Fund s Board of Directors (the Directors ). Occasionally, developments affecting 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 of the New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE ). If developments occur during such periods that are expected to materially affect the value of such securities, such valuations may be adjusted to reflect the estimated fair value of such securities as of the close of the NYSE, as determined in good faith by the Directors or by the Adviser using a pricing service and/or procedures approved by the Directors; (4) quotations of foreign portfolio securities, other assets and liabilities and forward contracts stated in foreign currency are translated into U.S. dollar equivalents at the prevailing market rates prior to the close of the NYSE; (5) investments in mutual funds, including the Morgan Stanley Institutional Liquidity Funds, are valued at the net asset value as of the close of each business day; and (6) short-term debt securities with remaining maturities of 60 days or less at the time of purchase may be valued at amortized cost, unless the Adviser determines such valuation does not reflect the securities market value, in which case these securities will be valued at their fair market value determined by the Adviser.

Under procedures approved by the Directors, the Fund s Adviser has formed a Valuation Committee. The Valuation Committee provides administration and oversight of the Fund s valuation policies and procedures, which are reviewed at least annually by the Directors. These procedures allow the Fund to utilize independent pricing services, quotations from securities and financial instrument dealers, and other market sources to determine fair value.

The Fund has procedures to determine the fair value of securities and other financial instruments for which market prices are not readily available. Under these procedures, the Valuation Committee convenes on a regular and ad hoc basis to review such securities and considers a number of factors, including valuation methodologies and significant unobservable valuation inputs, when arriving at fair value. The Valuation Committee may employ a market-based approach which may use related or comparable assets or liabilities, recent transactions, market multiples, book values, and other relevant information for the investment to determine the fair value of the investment. An income-based valuation approach may also be used in which the anticipated future cash flows of the investment are discounted to calculate fair value. Discounts may also be applied due to the nature or duration of any restrictions on the disposition of the investments. Due to the inherent uncertainty of valuations of such investments, the fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had an active market existed. The Valuation Committee employs various methods for calibrating these valuation approaches including a regular review of valuation methodologies, key inputs and assumptions, transactional back-testing or disposition analysis, and reviews of any related market activity.

**Fair Value Measurement:** Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards CodificationTM (ASC) 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures (ASC 820), defines fair value as the value that the Fund 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 Fund s investments. The inputs are summarized in the three broad levels listed below.

- Level 1 unadjusted 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. 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.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund s investments as of September 30, 2013.

Investment Type	Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices (000)	Level 2 Other significant observable inputs (000)		Other Level 3 ignificant Significant bservable unobservable inputs inputs		Total (000)
Assets:						
Common Stocks						
Automobiles	\$	\$	50,268	\$	\$	50,268
Beverages			21,626			21,626
Capital Markets			21,788			21,788
Commercial Banks			55,732			55,732
Construction & Engineering			20,903			20,903
Construction Materials			30,254			30,254
Electrical Equipment			7,931			7,931
Food & Staples Retailing			21,066			21,066
Health Care Providers & Services			12,797			12,797
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure			9,588			9,588
Household Durables			25,488			25,488
Information Technology Services			12,998			12,998
Insurance			52,591			52,591
Internet Software & Services	7,472					7,472

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Media	8,955			8,955
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels		20,312		20,312
Pharmaceuticals	51,954			51,954
Real Estate Management & Development		25,880		25,880
Software		30,156		30,156
Specialty Retail		3,752		3,752
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods		10,792		10,792
Transportation Infrastructure		14,973		14,973
Total Common Stocks	68,381	448,895		517,276
Short-Term Investment - Investment Company	77			77
Total Assets	\$ 68,458	\$ 448,895	\$ \$	517,353

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 September 30, 2013, securities with a total value of approximately \$51,954,000 transferred from Level 2 to Level 1. At December 31, 2012, the fair value of certain securities were adjusted due to developments which occurred between the time of the close of the foreign markets on which they trade and the close of business on the NYSE which resulted in their Level 2 classification.

#### Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

(a) The Fund s principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded that the Fund s disclosure contro	ls and procedures are
sufficient to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Fund in this Form N-Q was recorded, processed, summ	arized 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.

#### **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 China A Share Fund, Inc.

/s/ John Gernon John Gernon Principal Executive Officer November 12, 2013

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/ John Gernon John Gernon Principal Executive Officer November 12, 2013

/s/ Francis Smith Francis Smith Principal Financial Officer November 12, 2013