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THE KOREA FUND, INC. REPORTS RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL QUARTER AND SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

NEW YORK, February 28, 2017 -- The Korea Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") (NYSE: KF), a non-diversified, closed-end investment company, which seeks long-term capital appreciation through investment in securities, primarily equity securities of Korean companies, today announced its results for the fiscal quarter and six months ended December 31, 2016.

	<u>At December 31,</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Net Assets	\$244,752,626	\$254,846,899
Shares Outstanding	6,786,908 (a)	7,187,647
Net Asset Value ("NAV")	\$36.06	\$35.46
Market Price	\$31.88	\$31.85
Discount to NAV	(11.59)%	(10.18)%

	<u>Quarter ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Net Investment Income	\$2,319,347	\$2,101,655
Per Share (b)	\$0.33	\$0.29
Net Realized and Change in Unrealized Loss	\$(34,246,916)	\$(2,682,360)
Per Share	\$(4.92)	\$(0.42)

	<u>Six Months ended December 31,</u>	
	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Net Investment Income	\$1,517,763	\$1,327,645
Per Share (b)	\$0.22	\$0.18
Net Realized and Change in Unrealized Loss	\$(4,166,081)	\$(38,426,368)
Per Share	\$(0.62)	\$(5.29)

- (a) Under its share repurchase program, the Fund repurchased 193,561 shares and 200,988 shares for the fiscal quarter and six months ended December 31, 2016.
(b) Calculated on average shares outstanding.

Allianz Global Investors U.S. LLC serves as the Fund's investment manager.

Additional risks are associated with international investing, such as currency fluctuation, government regulations, economic changes and differences in liquidity, which may increase the volatility of an investment in the Fund. Foreign security markets generally exhibit greater price volatility and are less liquid than the U.S. market. Additionally, this Fund focuses its investments in certain geographical regions, thereby increasing its vulnerability to developments in that region. All of these factors potentially subject the Fund's shares to greater price volatility. The NAV of the Fund will fluctuate with the value of the underlying securities. Closed-end funds trade on their market value, not NAV, and closed-end funds often trade at a discount to their NAV.

The Fund's daily New York Stock Exchange closing market price, NAV, as well as other information, including updated portfolio statistics and performance are available at www.thekoreafund.com or by calling the Fund's shareholder servicing agent at (800) 254-5197.

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