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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-1A

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES		
ACT OF 1933	X	
Pre-Effective Amendment No.	0	
Post-Effective Amendment No. 53		
and/or		
REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE INVESTMENT		
COMPANY ACT OF 1940	X	
Amendment No. 56	X	

MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL FUNDS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Four Embarcadero Center, Suite 550

San Francisco, CA 94111

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code: (415) 788-6036

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It is proposed that this filing will become effective

- x immediately upon filing pursuant to paragraph (b)
- o on pursuant to paragraph (b)
- o 60 days after filing pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)

0	on	pursuant to paragraph (a)(1)		
o	75 days after filing pursuant to paragraph (a)(2)			
o	on	pursuant to paragraph (a)(2) of Rule 485.		
If appropriate, check the following box:				
o	This post-effective	e amendment designates a new effective date for a previously filed post-effective amendment.		

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it meets all of the requirements for effectiveness of this registration statement under Rule 485(b) under the Securities Act and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 53 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized, in the City of San Francisco and State of California on the 8th day of May, 2012.

Matthews International Funds

By /s/ William J. Hackett William J. Hackett, President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 53 to the Registration Statement of Matthews International Funds has been signed below by the following persons on the 8th day of May, 2012, in the capacities indicated.

Signature	Capacity	Date
/s/ William J. Hackett		May 8, 2012
William J. Hackett	Officer	
/s/ Shai Malka Shai Malka	Treasurer	May 8, 2012
Geoffrey H. Bobroff* Geoffrey H. Bobroff	Trustee	May 8, 2012
Jonathan Zeschin* Jonathan Zeschin	Trustee	May 8, 2012
G. Paul Matthews* G. Paul Matthews	Trustee	May 8, 2012
Rhoda Rossman* Rhoda Rossman	Trustee	May 8, 2012
Toshi Shibano* Toshi Shibano	Trustee	May 8, 2012
Richard K. Lyons* Richard K. Lyons	Trustee	May 8, 2012
* By: /s/ John McGowan		

as Attorney-in-Fact and Agent pursuant to Power of Attorney

SCHEDULE OF EXHIBITS TO FORM N-1A

Matthews International Funds

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
EX-101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
EX-101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
EX-101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase
EX-101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase
EX-101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase
EX-101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase