ABERDEEN EMERGING MARKETS EQUITY INCOME FUND, INC.

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

(Amendment No. )

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

Aberdeen Emerging Markets Equity Income Fund, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

00301W105

(CUSIP Number)

Barry M. Olliff c/o City of London Investment Management Company Limited 77 Gracechurch Street, London, UK EC3V 0AS +44 207 711 0771

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

April 30, 2018

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS 1 City of London Investment Group PLC, (CLIG) a company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF (a) A MEMBER OF A GROUP 2 (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 **SOURCE OF FUNDS\*** 4 00CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 5 2(d) OR 2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 6 England and Wales SOLE VOTING POWER 7 0 NUMBER OF **SHARES BENEFICIALLY** SHARED VOTING POWER OWNED BY 8 25,013,572 **EACH** REPORTING **PERSON** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER WITH: 9 0 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 10 25,013,572

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

25,013,572

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES

12 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS

REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN

13 ROW (11)

28.1%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

14 HC

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11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 25,013,572
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 28.1%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*  IA

Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Aberdeen Emerging Markets Equity Income Fund, Inc.

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

The principal executive offices of the Fund are located at:

Aberdeen Emerging Markets Equity Income Fund, Inc. c/o Aberdeen Asset Management Inc. 1735 Market Street, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor Philadelphia, PA 19103

#### Item 2. <u>Identity and Background.</u>

- (a). This statement is being filed by City of London Investment Group PLC ("CLIG") and City of London Investment Management Company Limited ("CLIM," and together with CLIG, the "Reporting Persons").
- (b). The business address and principal executive offices of CLIG are 77 Gracechurch Street London, EC3V 0AS England. The directors and executive officers of CLIG, their business addresses and present principal occupation or employment are set forth on Annex A attached to this Schedule 13D. The business address and principal executive offices of CLIM are 77 Gracechurch Street London, EC3V 0AS England. The directors and executive officers of CLIM, their business addresses and present principal occupation or employment are set forth on Annex A attached.
- (c). CLIM is primarily an emerging markets fund manager, which specializes in investing in closed-end investment companies and is a registered investment adviser under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. CLIM is controlled by CLIG. CLIM is principally engaged in the business of providing investment advisory services to various public and private investment funds, including:

Emerging (BMI) Markets Country Fund ("BMI"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; CA International Equity CEF Fund ("CARDINAL"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust:

Emerging Markets Free Fund ("CF"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; Emerging Markets Global Fund ("CG"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; Emerging Markets Investable Fund ("CI"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; Global Emerging Markets Fund ("EUREKA"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; The Emerging World Fund ("EWF"), a Dublin, Ireland-listed open-ended investment company; Emerging Free Markets Country Fund ("FREE"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; Emerging Markets Country Fund ("GBL"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; Investable Emerging Markets Country Fund ("INV"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust:

International Equity (CEF) Fund ("PHOENIX"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; The EM Plus CEF Fund ("PLUS"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust; EM Special Situations CEF Focused Fund ("UNIQUE"), a private investment fund organized as a Delaware business trust:

and unaffiliated third-party segregated accounts over which CLIM exercises discretionary voting and investment authority (the "Segregated Accounts").

The Shares to which this Schedule 13D relates are owned directly by the City of London Funds and the Segregated Accounts, collectively "the Funds".

- (d). None of the Reporting Persons has, during the last five years, been convicted in any criminal proceeding.
- (e). None of the Reporting Persons has, during the last five years, been a party to any civil proceeding commenced before a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction as a result of which it or he was or is now subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.
- (f). City of London Investment Group PLC, (CLIG) and City of London Investment Management Company Limited (CLIM) are companies incorporated under the laws of England and Wales.

#### Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Considerations.

Beneficial ownership of the Shares to which this statement relates was acquired by the Reporting Persons with invested capital of the City of London Funds and the Segregated Accounts. The aggregate purchase price of the 25,013,572 Shares beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons was \$240,777,292, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,809,687 Shares owned directly by BMI was \$17,492,796, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 260,797 Shares owned directly by CARDINAL was \$2,520,916, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 850,340 Shares owned directly by CF was \$8,219,557, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,773,770 Shares owned directly by CG was \$17,145,616, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,232,422 Shares owned directly by CI was \$11,912,838, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,598,436 Shares owned directly by EUREKA was \$15,450,802, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 968,310 Shares owned directly by EWF was \$9,359,878, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,506,217 Shares owned directly by FREE was \$14,559,395, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 1,669,055 Shares owned directly by GBL was \$16,133,419, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 491,311 Shares owned directly by INV was \$4,749,110, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 52,010 Shares owned directly by PHOENIX was \$502,739, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 403,071 Shares owned directly by PLUS was \$3,896,165, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 417,489 Shares owned directly by UNIQUE was \$4,030,558, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

The aggregate purchase price of the 11,980,657 Shares owned directly by the Segregated Accounts was \$114,803,504, inclusive of brokerage commissions.

#### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The Reporting Persons obtained beneficial ownership of 25,013,572 shares in the Fund as a direct result of the consolidation into the Fund of several closed-end funds in which the Reporting persons had beneficial ownership.

#### Item 5. Interests in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) and (b). As of the date hereof, CLIG, through its control of CLIM, and CLIM, in its capacity as investment adviser to the City of London Funds and the Segregated Accounts, have voting and dispositive power with respect to all 25,013,572 Shares owned directly by the City of London Funds and the Segregated Accounts, representing approximately 28.1% of the 88.969 million Shares outstanding as of May 1, 2018, as last reported by the Fund. As of the date hereof, BMI, CARDINAL, CF, CG, CI, EUREKA, EWF, FREE, GBL, INV, PHOENIX, PLUS, UNIQUE, and the Segregated Accounts owned directly 1,809,687; 260,797; 850,340; 1,773,770; 1,232,422; 1,598,436; 968,310; 1,506,217; 1,669,055; 491,311; 52,010; 403,071; 417,489; and 11,980,657 Shares,

respectively, representing approximately 2.0%, 0.3%, 1.0%, 2.0%, 1.4%, 1.8%, 1.1%, 1.7%, 1.9%, 0.6%, 0.1%,0.5%, 0.5% and 13.5% respectively, of the 88.969 million Shares outstanding as of May 1, 2018.

(c). Information with respect to all transactions in the Shares beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons that were effected during the past 60 days is set forth below:

Portfolio	Tran Type	Trade Date	Par Values/Shares	Trade Price
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,446,799	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	707,964	9.67
BMI	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,809,687	9.67
CARDINAL	BUY	30-Apr-18	260,797	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	457,954	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	461,198	9.67
CF	BUY	30-Apr-18	850,340	9.67
CG	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,773,770	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,148,590	9.67
CI	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,232,422	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	568,211	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	166,989	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	694,679	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	359,198	9.67
EUREKA	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,598,436	9.67
EWF	BUY	30-Apr-18	968,310	9.67
FREE	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,506,217	9.67
GBL	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,669,055	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	437,506	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,658,220	9.67
INV	BUY	30-Apr-18	491,311	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	14,268	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	1,082,528	9.67
PHOENIX	BUY	30-Apr-18	52,010	9.67
PLUS	BUY	30-Apr-18	403,071	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	595,264	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	804,541	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	47,796	9.67
UNIQUE	BUY	30-Apr-18	402,489	9.67
Seg Acct	BUY	30-Apr-18	987,126	9.67

- (d). Other than disclosed herein, no other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such Shares.
- (e). Not applicable.
- Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Except as set forth in Item 4 of this Schedule 13D, none of the Reporting Persons has any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship (legal or otherwise) with any person with respect to any securities of the Fund including, but not limited to, any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship concerning the transfer or the voting of any securities of the Fund, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guaranties of profits, division of profits or losses, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

Item 7.	Materials	s to be	Filed a	s Exhibits

None.

## Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete, and correct.

May 2, 2018

CITY OF LONDON INVESTMENT GROUP PLC

/ s / Thomas Griffith Name: Thomas Griffith

Title: Director

CITY OF LONDON INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED

/ s / Thomas Griffith Name: Thomas Griffith

Title: Director

#### ANNEX A

#### **DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

The names of the directors and executive officers of CLIG and their business addresses and present principal occupation or employment are set forth below. If no business address is given, the business address of such director or executive officer is c/o City of London Investment Group PLC, 77 Gracechurch Street, London EC3V 0AS, England.

David Cardale Non-Executive Chairman

Barry Olliff Chief Executive Officer

Susannah Nicklin Non-Executive Director

Mark Driver Non-Executive Director

Barry Aling Non-Executive Director

Mark Dwyer Executive Director

Tracy Rodrigues Executive Director

Thomas Griffith Executive Director

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David Cardale Non-Executive Chairman

Barry Olliff Chief Executive Officer / Chief Investment Officer

Tracy Rodrigues Finance Director

Thomas Griffith Director

Mark Dwyer Director