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COHEN & STEERS TOTAL RETURN REALTY FUND INC Form NT-NSAR March 02, 2005

United States Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D.C. 20549 Form 12b-25 Notification of Late Filing (Check one): ____ Form 10-K ___ Form 20-F ___ Form 11-K ____ Form 10-Q X Form N-SAR 12/31/04 For the Period Ended: Part I - Registrant Information Full Name of Registrant Cohen & Steers Total Return Realty Fund Inc Former Name if Applicable Address of Principal Executive Office (Street & Number) 757 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017 Part II - Rules 12b-25(b) and (c) If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed.

(c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25 (c) has been attached if applicable

(a) the reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense.

(b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, 11-K, Form N-SAR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report transition report on form 10-Q, or portion thereof will be filed on or

before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date

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Part III - Narrative

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why the Form 10-K, 11-K, 10-Q, N-SAR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

The registrant requests additional time to file form NSAR so that it can compile the necessary information to file a complete and accurate document.

Part IV - Other Information

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification $\ \ \,$

Adam Derechin, Vice President (212) 832-3232

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months been filed?

Yes

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?

No

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) Cohen & Steers Total Return Realty Fund Inc

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: 3/1/05

By: Rick Magliaro

/s/: Rick Magliaro