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The PRC is the only competitor with both the intent to reshape the international order and, increasingly, the economic, diplomatic, military, and technological power to do it.

The White House

National Security Strategy

12 October 2022

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This country is its people. The people are the country, as the Communist Party of China has led the people in fighting to establish and develop the People's Republic (zhong guo gong chan dang ling dao ren min da jiang shan, shou jiang shan, shou de shi ren min de xin). . . . We must foster a firmer sense of purpose, fortitude, and self-belief in the whole Party and the Chinese people, so that we cannot be swayed by fallacies, deterred by intimidation, or cowed by pressure (bu xin xie, bu pa gui, bu pa ya). . . . We will stay firmly rooted in Chinese culture, and we will better tell China stories. Make China's voice heard, and present a China that is credible, appealing and respectable, and we will better show the world China's culture (zhan xian ke xin, ke ai, ke jing de zhong guo xing xiang).

President Xi Jinping

Opening Speech

20th Chinese Communist Party Congress

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No country's government is so evil that its people are entirely without virtue.

President John F. Kennedy

American University

Washington, D.C.

Commencement Address ("Peace" Speech)

10 June 1963

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Table of Abbreviations¹

AANZFTA	<i>ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement</i>
AB	WTO Appellate Body
AB InBev	Anheuser-Busch InBev SA/NV
ABA	American Bar Association
ABI	Automated Broker Interface
ACA	<i>America Competes Act of 2022, i.e., America Creating Opportunities for Manufacturing, Pre-Eminence in Technology, and Economic Strength Act of 2022, sometimes abbreviated as COMPETES Act (House of Representatives bill)</i>
ACDB	WTO Accession Commitments Data Base
ACFTA (<i>AfcFTA</i>)	<i>African Continental Free Trade Area (entered into force 30 May 2019, operational 7 July 2019, with staged implementation on 1 January 2021 and concluding with full implementation by 2030)</i>
ACFTU	All China Federation of Trade Unions
ACP	African, Caribbean, and Pacific
ACS	Automated Commercial System
ACTRAV	Bureau for Workers' Activities (ILO)
ACWL	Advisory Center on WTO Law
AD	Antidumping

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<i>AD Agreement</i>	<i>WTO Antidumping Agreement (Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994)</i>
ADB	Asian Development Bank
<i>Additional Protocol</i>	<i>Model Additional Protocol (associated with NPT, CSA)</i>
ADP	Automatic data processing
ADR	American Depositary Receipt
<i>ADVANCE Democracy Act</i>	<i>2007 Advance Democratic Values, Address Non- democratic Countries and Enhance Democracy Act</i>
<i>AECA</i>	<i>Arms Export Control Act of 1976</i>
AEO	Authorized Economic Operator
AEOI	Atomic Energy Organization of Iran
AES	Automated Export System
AFA	Adverse Facts Available
<i>AfCFTA (ACFTA)</i>	<i>African Continental Free Trade Area</i>
AfDB	African Development Bank
AFIP	<i>Administración Federal de Ingresos Públicos (Argentina, Federal Public Revenue Administration)</i>
AFL-CIO	American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations
<i>AFP</i>	<i>Agence France-Presse</i>
AFR	Application for Further Review (U.S. CBP)
<i>AFTA</i>	<i>ASEAN Free Trade Area</i>
AG (1st meaning)	<i>Aktiengesellschaft (company incorporated in Austria, Germany, or Switzerland, limited by share ownership, the shares of which are tradeable on a stock market)</i>
Ag (2nd meaning)	Agriculture
AGOA	<i>2000 African Growth and Opportunity Act</i>
<i>AGOA II</i>	<i>included in 2002 Trade Act</i>
<i>AGOA III</i>	<i>2004 African Growth and Opportunity Acceleration Act</i>

<i>Agriculture Agreement (Ag Agreement)</i>	WTO <i>Agreement on Agriculture</i>
AI (1st meaning)	Artificial Intelligence
AI (2nd meaning)	Avian Influenza
AID	U.S. Agency for International Development
AIG	American Insurance Group
AIIS	American Institute for International Steel
AIKSCC	All India <i>Kisan Sangharsh</i> Coordination Committee
AIM	Aluminum Import Monitoring system (U.S. DOC)
AIO	Aerospace Industries Organization (Iran)
AIOC	Anglo Iranian Oil Company
AIPAC	American Israel Public Affairs Committee
AIS	Automatic Identification System (ship location transponder)
AIT	American Institute in Taiwan
ALBA	Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of our America
ALD	Atomic Layer Deposition (production tools)
ALJ	Administrative Law Judge
ALOP	Appropriate Level Of Protection
ALT	Alternate (alternate proposed text)
AMA	American Medical Association
AmCham	American Chamber of Commerce
AMEC	Advanced Micro-Fabrication Equipment Inc. (China)
AMI Credit	Advanced Manufacturing Investment Credit (U.S. 2022 <i>CHIPS Act</i>)
AMIS	Agricultural Market Information System
AMPS	Acrylamido tertiary butyl sulfonic acid
AMS (1st meaning)	Aggregate Measure of Support

AMS (2nd meaning)	Agriculture Marketing Services (USDA)
ANAD	National Association of Democratic Lawyers (Mexico)
ANZCERTA	<i>Australia-New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement</i> (CER)
ANZUS (ANZUS Treaty)	1951 <i>Australia, New Zealand, United States Security Treaty</i>
AoA	WTO <i>Agreement on Agriculture</i>
AOG	All Other Goods
AOR	All Others Rate
APA	1946 <i>Administrative Procedure Act</i> (U.S.)
APEC	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (forum)
APEP	Assistant to the President for Economic Policy (U.S.)
API	active pharmaceutical ingredient
APMC	Agricultural Produce Marketing Committee (India)
APNSA	Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs (U.S.)
APOC	Anglo Persian Oil Company
APTA	<i>Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement</i>
APV	Annual Purchase Value
AR	Administrative Review
ARI	Additional (United States) Rules of Interpretation
<i>ARP Act of 2000</i>	2000 <i>Agricultural Risk Protection Act</i>
ARRA	2009 <i>American Recovery and Reinvestment Act</i>
ARS	Advance Ruling System
ASA (1st meaning)	American Securities Association
ASA (2nd meaning)	American Sugar Alliance
ASCM	WTO <i>Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures</i> (SCM Agreement)

ASEAN	<i>Association of South East Asian Nations</i>
ASL (AFSL)	<i>Anti-Foreign Sanctions Law</i> (June 2021 PRC Law blocking compliance with sanctions against China)
ASM	artisanal small mine
ASML (ASML Holding N.V.)	Advanced Semiconductor Materials Lithography (Netherlands)
ASP	American Selling Price
ASPI	Australian Strategic Policy Institute
ATAP	<i>1996 Agreement Concerning Certain Aspects of Trade in Agricultural Products</i> (1985 U.S.-Israel FTA)
ATC	<i>WTO Agreement on Textiles and Clothing</i>
ATISA	<i>ASEAN Trade In Services Agreement</i>
ATPA	<i>1991 Andean Trade Preferences Act</i>
ATPDEA	<i>2002 Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act</i>
ATT	<i>2014 U.N. Arms Trade Treaty</i>
AU\$	Australian Dollar
AUD	Australian Dollar
AUKUS	September 2021 <i>Australia — United Kingdom — United States Security Partnership</i> (Trilateral Security Agreement concerning nuclear submarines and their deployment in Indo-Pacific region)
AUMF	<i>2001 Authorization for Use of Military Force</i>
AUMF (Iraq Resolution)	<i>2002 Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution</i>
<i>Automotive Appendix</i>	<i>Appendix, Provisions Related to the Product-Specific Rules of Origin for Automotive Goods, to Annex 4-B of USMCA Chapter 4</i>
AUV	Average Unit Value
AV	Audio-Visual
AVE	<i>Ad Valorem</i> Equivalent
AVIC	Aviation Industry Corporation of China
B&H	Brokerage and handling (costs)

B&O	Washington State Business and Occupation Tax Rate Reduction
BA	Bankers Acceptance
BAE	British Aerospace Systems Plc
BAMS-D	Broad Area Maritime Surveillance-Drone (U.S. Navy)
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BBS	Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics
B.C.	British Columbia
BCA	Border Carbon Adjustment (Carbon BTA)
BCI	Business Confidential Information
bcm	billion cubic meters
BCR	Blue Corner Rebate (Thailand)
BDC	Beneficiary Developing Country
BDS	Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions
<i>BECA</i>	October 2020 <i>Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement</i> (U.S.-India)
beIN	beIN Media Group LLC (Qatar)
beoutQ	be out Qatar (Saudi Arabia)
BEPS	tax Base Erosion and Profit Sharing
<i>Berne Convention</i>	1886 (1971) <i>Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works</i>
<i>BFA</i>	<i>Banana Framework Agreement</i>
Bhd (BHD)	Berhad (publicly limited company, Malaysia)
BIA	Best Information Available (Pre-Uruguay Round U.S. term for Facts Available)
BILA (ILAB)	Bureau of International Labor Affairs (U.S. DOL OTLA)

BIMSTEC	Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Thailand (SAARC minus Afghanistan and Pakistan, plus Myanmar (Burma) and Thailand)
BIS (1st meaning)	Bank for International Settlements
BIS (2nd meaning)	Bureau of Industry and Security (U.S. DOC)
<i>bis</i> (3rd meaning)	second version (of a text), again, repeat
B.I.S.D.	Basic Instruments and Selected Documents
<i>BIT</i>	<i>Bilateral Investment Treaty</i>
<i>BJP</i>	<i>Bharatiya Janata Party</i> (India)
bn (bln)	billion
BNA	Bureau of National Affairs (International Trade Reporter and International Trade Daily)
BNO	British National (Overseas) passport (Hong Kong)
BOJ	Bank of Japan
BOK	Bank of Korea
Bolero	Bills of Lading for Europe
BOP	Balance Of Payments
BOT	Balance Of Trade
BP	British Petroleum
bpd (b/d)	barrels per day
Brexit	British exit, <i>i.e.</i> , withdrawal of the U.K. from EU, effective 31 January 2020, with transition period ended 31 December 2021, following 23 June 2016 U.K.-wide referendum
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative (China)
BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa
BSE (1st meaning)	Bombay Stock Exchange
BSE (2nd meaning)	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (Mad Cow Disease)

BSSAC	Beneficiary Sub-Saharan African Country
BSSP	Burmese Socialist Program Party
<i>BTA</i> (1st meaning)	<i>Bilateral Trade Agreement</i>
<i>BTA</i> (2nd meaning)	2002 <i>Bio-Terrorism Act</i> (<i>Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2000</i>)
<i>BTA</i> (3rd meaning)	Border Tax Adjustment
<i>BTD</i>	May 2007 <i>Bipartisan Trade Deal</i>
C-4	Cotton Four Countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Mali, and Chad)
C&F	cost and freight
CAA	1979 <i>Clean Air Act</i>
CA\$	Canadian Dollar
CAATSA	2017 <i>Countering America’s Adversaries Through Sanctions Act</i>
CAC	Cyberspace Administration of China
CAD	Canadian Dollar
CAFC	United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
<i>CAFTA-DR</i>	<i>Central American Free Trade Agreement — Dominican Republic</i>
<i>CAI</i>	January 2021 EU-China <i>Comprehensive Agreement on Investment</i>
CAIR	Council on American-Islamic Relations
CAN	Community of Andean Nations
CANACAR	<i>Camara Nacional del Autotransporte de Carga</i>
CAOI	Civil Aviation Organization of Iran
CAP (1st meaning)	Common Agricultural Policy (EU)
CAP (2nd meaning)	Carolina Academic Press
CAPES	<i>Centre d’Analyse des Politiques, Economiques et Sociales</i> (Burkina Faso)
CASA	<i>Construcciones Aeronáuticas SA</i> (Spain)
CB	citizens band (radio)

CBA	collective bargaining agreement
CBAM	Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism
CBC	Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
<i>CBD</i>	<i>U.N. Convention on Biological Diversity</i>
CBE	Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire
<i>CBERA</i>	<i>1983 Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act</i>
<i>CBI (1st meaning)</i>	<i>Caribbean Basin Initiative</i>
<i>CBI (2nd meaning)</i>	Central Bank of Iran
CBO	Congressional Budget Office
CBOT	Chicago Board Of Trade
CBP	U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("U.S. Customs Service" until 1 March 2003)
CBSA	Canadian Border Services Agency
<i>CBTPA</i>	<i>Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Agreement</i>
CC	Cooperative Country (Argentina)
CCB	U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
<i>CCC (1st meaning)</i>	U.S. Commodity Credit Corporation (USDA)
<i>CCC (2nd meaning)</i>	Customs Cooperation Council (renamed WCO in 1994)
<i>CCC (3rd meaning)</i>	Commerce Country Chart
CCFRS	Certain cold flat-rolled steel
CCHT	Center for Countering Human Trafficking (U.S. DHS)
<i>CCI (1st meaning)</i>	Competition Commission of India
<i>CCI (2nd meaning)</i>	Countervailing Currency Intervention
CCL	Commerce Control List
CCMC	Communist Chinese Military Company
CCP	Chinese Communist Party (or CPC, Communist Party of China)
CCPA	U.S. Court of Customs and Patent Appeals (abolished 1982; transfer to Federal Circuit)

CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage
CDC (1st meaning)	U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC (2nd meaning)	Canadian Dairy Commission
CDC (3rd meaning)	Chilean Distortions Commission
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CDS	credit default swap
CDSOA	2000 <i>Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act (Byrd Amendment)</i>
CE	<i>Conformité Européenne</i> (EU)
CEA	Council of Economic Advisors (U.S.)
CEC	Commission for Environmental Cooperation (NAFTA)
CEMAC	<i>Communauté Économique et Monétaire de l'Afrique Centrale</i>
CENTCOM	United States Central Command
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CEP	Constructed Export Price
CEPA (1st meaning)	India-UAE <i>Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement</i>
CEPA (2nd meaning)	Japan-U.K. <i>Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement</i>
CEPR	Center for Economic and Policy Research
CER	<i>Australia-New Zealand Closer Economic Relations Trade Agreement</i> (ANZCERTA)
CET	Common External Tariff
CETA	<i>Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement</i>
CFC	Controlled Foreign Corporation
CFCL	Federal Conciliation and Labor Registry Center (Spanish acronym, Mexico)
CFE	<i>Comisión Federal de Electricidad</i> (Mexico)
CFIUS	Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States

CFO	Chief Financial Officer
C.F.R. (1st meaning)	Code of Federal Regulations
CFR (2nd meaning)	Council on Foreign Relations
CGE	Computable General Equilibrium
CGLO	Central Government Liaison Office (China)
CGTN	China Global Television Network
CH	Order of the Companions of Honor
<i>CHF</i>	Swiss Francs
CHIP 4 (CHIP 4 Alliance)	U.S., Japan, Korea, and Taiwan (forum concerning semiconductor chips)
CHIPS	Clearing House Interbank Payment System
<i>CHIPS Act (CHIPS for America Act)</i>	<i>2022 Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors Act</i>
CIA	U.S. Central Intelligence Agency
CIC	Citizenship and Immigration Service for Canada
<i>CIDE</i>	Contribution of Intervention in the Economic Domain (Brazil)
CIF (c.i.f)	Cost, Insurance, and Freight
CII	Confederation of Indian Industry
CIP	Chhattisgarh Industrial Program (India)
<i>CISADA</i>	<i>2010 Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act</i>
CISG	Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (U.N.)
CIT	U.S. Court of International Trade (New York, N.Y.)
CITA	U.S. Committee for Implementation of Textile Agreements
<i>CITES</i>	<i>1973 Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora</i>
CITT	Canadian International Trade Tribunal
CJ	Commodity Jurisdiction

CKD	Complete knock down
cm	centimeter
CMAA	<i>Customs Mutual Assistance Agreement</i>
CME	Chicago Mercantile Exchange
CMI	<i>Comité Maritime International</i> (IMO)
CMIC	Chinese Military Industrial Complex Company
CMM	Conservation Management Measures
CMO	Common Market Organization (EU)
CNCE	<i>Commission Nacional de Comercio Exterior</i> (Argentina)
CNL	Competitive Need Limitation
CNOOC	China National Offshore Oil Corporation
CNPC	China National Petroleum Corporation
CNY	Chinese <i>Yuan</i>
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide
CO ₂ e	Carbon Dioxide equivalent
CoA	WTO Committee on Agriculture
COBRA	<i>Consolidated Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act</i> (multiple years)
COCOM	Coordinating Committee on Multilateral Export Controls
COFINS	Civil Service Asset Formation Program Contribution (Brazil)
<i>COFINS-Importation</i>	<i>Contribution to Social Security Financing Applicable to Imports of Goods or Services</i> (Brazil)
COGS	Cost of Goods Sold
COMAC	Commercial Aircraft Corporation of China Ltd.
COMESA	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
CONNUM	Control Number
COO (1st meaning)	Certificate of Origin
COO (2nd meaning)	Country of Origin

COO (3rd meaning)	Chief Operating Officer
COOL	Country of Origin Label
COP (1st meaning)	Conference of the Parties
COP (2nd meaning)	Cost of Production
CORE	corrosion-resistant steel
COS	Circumstances of Sale (dumping margin calculation adjustment)
COSCO	Chinese Ocean Shipping Company
COVAX	COVID-19 Vaccines Global Access
COVID-19	Corona Virus Disease (coronavirus)
CPA (1st meaning)	Certified Public Accountant
CPA (2nd meaning)	Coalition Provisional Authority (Iraq-U.S.)
CPC (1st meaning)	Caspian Pipeline Consortium
CPC (2nd meaning)	U.N. Central Product Classification list
CPC (3rd meaning)	Communist Party of China (or CCP, Chinese Communist Party)
CPEC	China-Pakistan Economic Corridor
CPSC	U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
<i>CPTPP</i>	<i>Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans Pacific Partnership</i> (entered into force 30 December 2018, informally called <i>TPP 11</i>)
CPV	Communist Party of Vietnam (or VCP, Vietnamese Communist Party)
CQE	Certificate of Quota Eligibility
CRO	WTO Committee on Rules of Origin
CROC	Revolutionary Confederation of Laborers and Farmworkers (Mexico, Spanish acronym)
<i>Crop Year 2001 Act</i>	<i>Crop Year 2001 Agricultural Economic Assistance Act</i>
CRPF	Central Reserve Police Force (India)
CRRC	China Railway Rolling Stock Corporation

CRS	Congressional Research Service
CRTC	Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission
CSA	<i>Comprehensive Safeguards Agreement</i> (associated with <i>NPT</i>)
CSCL	China Shipping Container Lines
CSI	Container Security Initiative
CSIS	Center for Strategic and International Studies (Washington, D.C.)
CSMS	Cargo Systems Messaging Service (CBP)
CSP (1st meaning)	Conferences of States Parties
CSP (2nd meaning)	Certificate of Supplementary Protection (CETA)
CSPV	Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic cells, modules, laminates, and panels (solar panels)
CSRC	China Securities Regulatory Commission
CTA	Central Tibetan Administration
CTC	Change in Tariff Classification
CTCSC	Customs Tariff Commission of the State Council (China)
CTD	WTO Committee on Trade and Development
CTESS	WTO Committee on Trade and Environment in Special Session
CTF	Customs and Trade Facilitation
CTH	Change in Tariff Heading
<i>CTHA</i>	<i>WTO Chemical Tariff Harmonization Agreement</i>
CTIL	Center for Trade and Investment Law (India)
<i>CTPA</i>	<i>United States — Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement</i>
<i>C-TPAT (CTPAT)</i>	<i>Customs — Trade Partnership Against Terrorism</i>
CTSH	Change in Tariff Sub-Heading
CU	Customs Union

<i>Customs Valuation Agreement</i>	WTO <i>Agreement on Customs Valuation (Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994)</i>
CUFTA (CUSFTA)	<i>Canada — United States FTA</i>
CUSMA	<i>Canada — United States — Mexico Agreement (revised FTA based on August 2017-September 2018 renegotiations, called CUSMA in Canada, USMCA in America, called CUSMA in Canada, USMCA in America, and informally called NAFTA 2.0, signed 30 November 2018, signed again after further renegotiations 10 December 2019, and entered into force 1 July 2020)</i>
CV	Constructed Value
CVA	Canadian Value Added
CVD (1st meaning)	Countervailing Duty
CVD (2nd meaning)	Chronic Venous Disorder
CVI	Chronic Venous Insufficiency
CVID	Complete, Verifiable, Irreversible Disarmament
CWP	Circular Welded carbon quality steel Pipe
CY	Calendar Year
DAHD	Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying, and Fisheries (India)
DARPA	U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
DBT	U.K. Department for Business and Trade (established February 2023 via merger of DIT with certain other government functions)
DCIV	Double Cab In Van
DCR	Domestic Content Requirement
DCS	Destination Control Statement
DDA	Doha Development Agenda
DDTC	U.S. Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (Department of State)
DEA	<i>Digital Economy Agreement</i>
DeitY	Department of Electronics and Information Technology (MCIT, India)

<i>DEPA</i> (1st meaning)	<i>Digital Economic Partnership Agreement</i> (generally)
<i>DEPA</i> (2nd meaning)	June 2020 <i>Digital Economic Partnership Agreement</i> (Chile, New Zealand, Singapore)
DDFT	Data Free Flow with Trust
DFQF	Duty Free, Quota Free
DGCFMC	WTO Director General's Consultative Framework Mechanism on the development aspects of Cotton
DGFT	Director General of Foreign Trade (part of Ministry of Commerce, India)
DHS	U.S. Department of Homeland Security
DIPAM	Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (India)
<i>DJAI</i>	<i>Declaración Jurada Anticipada de Importación</i> (Argentina, Advance Sworn Import Declaration)
<i>DIEM</i>	<i>Derechos de Importación Específicos Mínimos</i> (Argentina, Minimum Specific Import Duties)
DIFMER	Difference in Merchandise (dumping margin calculation adjustment)
DIT	Department for International Trade (U.K.)
DIY	Do It Yourself
DM (1st meaning)	Dumping Margin
<i>DM</i> (2nd meaning)	<i>Deutsche Marks</i>
<i>DMA</i> (1st meaning)	2022 EU <i>Digital Markets Act</i>
<i>DMA</i> (2nd meaning)	Domestic Marketing Assessment
DMZ	De-Militarized Zone
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
DNI	Director of National Intelligence (U.S.)
DNR	Donetsk People's Republic
DOC	U.S. Department of Commerce
DOD	U.S. Department of Defense
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy

DOJ	U.S. Department of Justice
DOL	U.S. Department of Labor
<i>DOP</i>	13 September 1993 Israeli-PLO <i>Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements</i> (<i>Oslo I Accord, Oslo I</i>)
DOS	U.S. Department of State
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
DP (DPW)	Dubai Ports Dubai Ports World
<i>DPA</i> (1st meaning)	1950 <i>Defense Production Act</i> (U.S.)
<i>DPA</i> (2nd meaning)	Deferred Prosecution Agreement
<i>DPA</i> (3rd meaning)	Data Protection Authority (India)
<i>DPCIA</i>	1990 <i>Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act</i>
DPRK	Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea)
DRAM	Dynamic Random-Access Memory
DSM	Dispute Resolution Mechanism (<i>JCPOA</i>)
DRAMS	Dynamic Random-Access Memory Semiconductor
DRC	Democratic Republic of the Congo
DSB	WTO Dispute Settlement Body
DSM	Dispute Settlement Mechanism
DST	Digital Sales Tax, Digital Services Tax
<i>DSU</i>	WTO <i>Dispute Settlement Understanding</i> (<i>Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes</i>)
<i>DTA</i>	<i>Digital Trade Agreement</i>
DUP	Democratic Unionist Party (Northern Ireland)
DUV	Deep Ultraviolet Lithography (systems)
DVD	Digital Video Recording
E3	Britain, France, and Germany

EA	Environmental Assessment
EAA	1979 <i>Export Administration Act</i>
EAC (1st meaning)	East African Community
EAC (2nd meaning)	East Asian Community
EAC (3rd meaning)	Environmental Affairs Council (CAFTA-DR, KORUS)
EADS	European Aeronautic Defense and Space Company NV
EaEU (EAEU)	Eurasian Economic Union
EAF	Electric Arc Furnace
<i>EAGLE Act</i>	2021 <i>Ensuring American Global Leadership and Engagement Act</i>
<i>EAR</i>	<i>Export Administration Regulations</i>
EBA	Everything But Arms
EBOR	Electronic On Board Recorder
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
EC (1st meaning)	European Commission
EC (2nd meaning)	European Communities
<i>ECA (1st meaning)</i>	<i>Economic Cooperation Agreement</i>
<i>ECA (2nd meaning)</i>	<i>Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea on Environmental Cooperation (KORUS)</i>
<i>ECA (3rd meaning)</i>	<i>Export Controls Act of 2018</i> (part of 2018 NDAA)
ECAT	Emergency Committee for Foreign Trade
ECB	European Central Bank
ECC (1st meaning)	Environmental Cooperation Commission (CAFTA-DR)
ECC (2nd meaning)	Extraordinary Challenge Committee (NAFTA)
ECCAS	Economic Community of Central African States
ECCN	Export Control Classification Number

ECE	Evaluation Committee of Experts (NAFTA)
<i>ECFA</i>	<i>Economic Cooperation Framework Agreement</i>
ECG	electrocardiogram
ECHR	European Court of Human Rights
ECJ	European Court of Justice
ECLAC	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
E-Commerce	Electronic Commerce
ECOSOC	U.N. Economic and Social Council
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
<i>ECRA</i>	<i>Export Control Reform Act of 2018</i> (part of <i>John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, i.e., 2019 NDAA</i>)
ECU	European Currency Unit
ED	Economic Development Administration (of DOC)
EDBI	Export Development Bank of Iran
EDC	Export Development Corporation (Canada)
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EEC	European Economic Community
EEU	Eurasian Economic Union
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
EFSA	European Food Safety Authority
<i>EFTA</i>	<i>European Free Trade Association</i>
<i>EGA</i>	<i>WTO Environmental Goods Agreement</i>
EHC	export health certificate (U.K.)
EIB	European Investment Bank
EIF	Enhanced Integrated Framework (formerly “IF” or “Integrated Framework”)
<i>EIG</i>	<i>équipement d’intérêt general</i> (France)

ELLIE	Electronic Licensing Entry System
ELS	Extra Long Staple (cotton)
EN	Explanatory Note
ENAM	Electronic National Agricultural Market system (India)
<i>ENFORCE Act (TFTEA, TEA)</i>	2015 <i>Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act</i>
<i>EO (E.O.)</i>	<i>Executive Order (U.S.)</i>
EOBR	Electronic On Board Recorder
EP	Export Price
<i>EPA (1st meaning)</i>	<i>Economic Partnership Agreement</i>
<i>EPA (2nd meaning)</i>	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EPI	Economic Policy Institute
EPZ	Export Processing Zone
ERC	End-Use Review Committee (U.S. DOC BIS, set forth under <i>EAR</i>)
ERP	Effective Rate of Protection
<i>E-SIGN Act</i>	2000 <i>Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act</i>
ESCS	European Steel and Coal Community
ESG	Environmental, Social, and Governance
ESL	English as a Second Language
ESP	Exporter's Sales Price (Pre-Uruguay Round U.S. term for Constructed Export Price)
ESPO	Eastern Siberia Pacific Ocean
ET (EST)	Eastern Time (Eastern Standard Time)
ETA	Employment and Training Administration (DOL)
ETF	exchange traded fund
<i>ETI Act</i>	2000 <i>Extraterritorial Income Exclusion Act</i>
ETIM	East Turkistan Islamic Movement

ETP	Eastern Tropical Pacific (Ocean)
ETS	Emission(s) Trading Scheme (System)
EU	European Union
<i>EUSFTA</i>	<i>European Union-Singapore Free Trade Agreement</i>
EUC	End-User Review Committee (U.S.)
EUV	extreme ultraviolet lithography
Eurojust	EU agency for judicial cooperation in criminal matters
Europol	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation
EV	Electric Vehicle
Ex-Im Bank	U.S. Export-Import Bank
<i>FACT Act of 1990 (1990 Farm Bill)</i>	<i>1990 Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act</i>
<i>FAIR Act of 1996 (1996 Farm Bill)</i>	<i>1996 Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act</i>
<i>FAIR Transition and Competition Act</i>	<i>2021 Fair, Affordable, Innovative, and Resilient Transition and Competition Act</i> (proposed BCA legislation)
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization
FAQ	Frequently Asked Question
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulation (U.S.)
FAS	Foreign Agricultural Service (of USDA)
FAST	Free And Secure Trade
FATA	Federally Administered Tribal Areas (Pakistan)
FATF	Financial Action Task Force
FBI	U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation
FCC	Federal Communications Commission (U.S.)
FCF	Fong Chun Formosa Fishery (Taiwan)
FCIC	U.S. Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (USDA)

FCLRC	Federal Conciliation and Labor Registration Center (Mexico)
FCPA	1977 <i>Foreign Corrupt Practices Act</i>
FCSC	Foreign Claims Settlement Commission (U.S.)
FDA	Food and Drug Administration (U.S.)
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FDP Rule	Foreign Direct Product Rule (U.S.)
Federal Circuit	U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (Washington, D.C.)
Fed. Reg.	Federal Register
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency (U.S. DHS)
FEP	Fuel Enrichment Plant (<i>e.g.</i> , for UF ₆ at Natanz, Iran)
FERC	U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FF	<i>French Francs</i>
FFI	foreign financial institution
FFPO	Fines, Penalties and Forfeitures Office(r) (U.S. Ports of Entry)
FFTJ	Fittings, flanges, and tool joints
FGUP	State Research Center of the Russian Federation
FICCI	Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry
FIFA	<i>Fédération Internationale de Football Association</i>
Fimea	Finnish Medicines Agency
FinCEN	U.S. Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (Department of the Treasury)
FIRRMA	<i>Foreign Investment Risk Review Modernization Act of 2018</i> (part of 2018 NDAA)
FIT	Feed-in tariff
FLETF	Forced Labor Enforcement Task Force (DHS)

FMCSA	Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
<i>FMSA</i>	2011 <i>Food Safety Modernization Act</i>
FMV (1st meaning)	Foreign Market Value (Pre-Uruguay Round U.S. term for Normal Value)
FMV (2nd meaning)	Fair Market Value
FMVSS	Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards
FN4 Entity	Footnote 4 Entity (entity to which Footnote 4 is added to its entry on Entity List)
FOA	Facts Otherwise Available
FOB (f.o.b.)	Free On Board
FOP	Factors of Production
FOREX	Foreign Exchange
FPA	Foreign Partnership Agreement
FPC	U.S. Federal Power Commission (predecessor of DOE)
FPGA	field programmable gate array integrated circuit
FRAND	Fair, Reasonable, and Non-Discriminatory (terms)
<i>FRCP</i>	U.S. <i>Federal Rules of Civil Procedure</i>
<i>FRCrimP</i>	U.S. <i>Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure</i>
FRE	U.S. Federal Rules of Evidence
FRS	Fellowship of the Royal Society
FRSA	Fellowship of the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce
FSA (1st meaning)	U.S. Farm Services Agency
FSA (2nd meaning)	Food Safety Agency (EU)
FSB	Federal Security Service (Russia)
FSC	Foreign Sales Corporation
<i>FSIA</i>	<i>Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act of 1976</i>
<i>FSRI Act of 2002</i> (2002 <i>Farm Bill</i>)	2002 <i>Farm Security and Rural Investment Act</i>
FTA	Free Trade Agreement

<i>FTAA</i>	<i>Free Trade Area of the Americas</i>
<i>FTAAP</i>	<i>Free Trade Agreement of the Asia Pacific Region</i>
FTC (1st meaning)	Free Trade Commission (<i>NAFTA</i>)
FTC (2nd meaning)	Federal Trade Commission (U.S.)
FTO	Foreign Terrorist Organization
FTSE	Financial Times Stock Exchange Group ("Footsie," London)
FTZ (1st meaning)	Foreign Trade Zone
FTZ (2nd meaning)	Free Trade Zone
FY	Fiscal Year
FX	Foreign Exchange
G7 (G-7)	Group of Seven Industrialized Nations
G8 (G-8)	Group of Eight Industrialized Nations
G20 (G-20)	Group of Twenty Developed Nations
G33 (G-33)	Group of 33 Developing Countries
G&A	General and Administrative expenses
GAAP	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
Gafa	Google, Apple, Facebook, and Amazon
GAIN	USDA FAS Global Agricultural Information Network
GAO	U.S. Government Accountability Office
<i>GATB</i>	<i>General Agreement on Trade in Bananas</i> (15 December 2009)
<i>GATS</i>	<i>General Agreement on Trade in Services</i>
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT 1947 and/or GATT 1994)
GATT 1947	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1947 and all pertinent legal instruments (Protocols, Certifications, Accession Protocols, and Decisions) entered into under it before entry into force of the <i>WTO Agreement</i> (1 January 1995)

GATT 1994	GATT 1947 plus all pertinent legal instruments (1994 Uruguay Round Understandings and Marrakesh Protocol) effective with the WTO Agreement (1 January 1995)
GAVI	Global for Vaccines and Immunizations
GB	Great Britain
GCAM	General Commission for Audiovisual Media (Saudi Arabia)
GCC (1st meaning)	Global Climate Coalition
GCC (2nd meaning)	Gulf Cooperation Council
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
<i>GDPR</i>	<i>General Data Protection Regulation</i> (EU 2016/679)
GE	General Electric
<i>Genocide Convention</i>	1948 U.N. <i>Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide</i>
GFCI	Global Financial Centers Index
GI	Geographical Indication
GILTI	Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income
GISAID	Global Initiative on Sharing Avian Influenza Data
GL	General License
<i>GloMag</i>	2016 <i>Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act</i>
GM	Genetically Modified, Genetic Modification
GMO	Genetically Modified Organism
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
GNH	Gross National Happiness
GNI	Gross National Income
GNP	Gross National Product
GOI	Government of India
<i>GPA</i>	<i>Government Procurement Agreement</i> (WTO <i>Agreement on Government Procurement</i>)
GPO (1st meaning)	Government Pharmaceutical Organization (Thailand)

GPO (2nd meaning)	Group Purchasing Organization (U.S.)
GPS	Global Positioning System
GPT	General Preferential Tariff
GRI	General Rules of Interpretation (of the HS)
GRP	Good Regulatory Practice
GSM	General Sales Manager
GSP	Generalized System of Preferences (U.S.)
GSP+	Generalized System of Preferences Plus (EU)
GTA	Global Trade Atlas
GVWR	Gross Vehicle Weight Rating
GW	gigawatt
H5N1	Avian Flu (virus)
H&M	Hennes & Mauritz AB (Swedish MNC)
HALE	High-Altitude, Long, Endurance unmanned aircraft system (drone) (U.S. Navy)
HALEU	high-assay, low-enriched Uranium
HCTC	Health Care Tax Credit
HDC	Holder in Due Course
HDI	U.N. Human Development Index
HDPE	high-density polyethylene
<i>Helms-Burton Act</i>	1996 <i>Cuban Liberty and Democracy Solidarity (Libertad) Act</i>
<i>HFCAA</i>	2020 <i>Holding Foreign Companies Accountable Act</i>
HFCS	High Fructose Corn Syrup
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
HIPC	Highly Indebted Poor Country
HK\$	Hong Kong dollar
HKIAC	Hong Kong International Arbitration Center

HKMA	Hong Kong Monetary Authority
HKSAR	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
HKSE	Hong Kong Stock Exchange
HKU	Hong Kong University (University of Hong Kong)
HLED	High Level Economic Dialogue (<i>e.g.</i> , U.S.-Mexico)
HM	Her (His) Majesty
HMG	Her (His) Majesty's Government
HMT	Her (His) Majesty's Treasury (U.K.)
HNW	High Net Worth
HOEP	Hourly Ontario Energy Price
<i>Homeland Security Act</i>	2002 <i>Homeland Security Act</i>
HPAE	High Performing Asian Economy
HPAI	High Pathogenic Avian Influenza
HPC	High Performance Computer
HPNAI	High Pathogenic Notifiable Avian Influenza
HQ	Headquarters
HRL	Headquarters Ruling Letter (U.S. Customs Service, CBP)
HS	Harmonized System
HSBC	Hong Kong Shanghai Banking Corporation
HSBI	Highly Sensitive Business Information
HSI	Homeland Security Investigation (U.S. DHS)
HTS	Harmonized Tariff Schedule
HTSUS	Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the U.S.
HVAC	Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning
IA (1st meaning)	Import Administration (U.S. DOC)
IA (2nd meaning)	Information Available

IA (3rd meaning)	Internal Advice
IAC	Iran Alumina Company (IMIDRO subsidiary)
IADB	Inter-American Development Bank
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
IAR	Internal Advice Response (CBP)
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (The World Bank)
IBT (1st meaning)	International Brotherhood of Teamsters
IBT (2nd meaning)	International Business Transactions
IC (1st meaning)	Indifference Curve
IC (2nd meaning)	integrated circuit
ICs	Indigenous Communities (Inuit and other indigenous communities)
ICAC	International Cotton Advisory Committee
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization (U.N.)
ICBM	Intercontinental Ballistic Missile
ICC (1st meaning)	International Chamber of Commerce
ICC (2nd meaning)	International Criminal Court
ICE	U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
ICFTU	International Confederation of Free Trade Unions
ICIT	Intergovernmental Commission on International Trade (Ukraine)
ICJ	International Court of Justice
ICOR	Incremental Capital Output Ratio
ICS	Investment Court System
ICSID	International Center for the Settlement of Investment Disputes
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
ICTS	Information and Communications Technology Services
ICTSD	International Center for Trade and Sustainable Development

IDB	Integrated Database
IDF	Israeli Defense Forces
IDP	WTO Informal Dialogue on Plastics Pollution and Environmentally Sustainable Plastics Trade
IE	Information Exchange (MTCR)
IEA	International Energy Agency
IEC (1st meaning)	International Electrotechnical Commission
IEC (2nd meaning)	Importer-Exporter Code (India)
<i>IEEPA</i>	<i>1977 International Emergency Economic Powers Act</i>
<i>IFD</i>	<i>WTO Agreement on Investment Facilitation for Development</i>
IFPMA	International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
<i>IFSA</i>	<i>2006 Iran Freedom Support Act</i>
<i>IFTA</i>	<i>1985 United States-Israel Free Trade Implementation Act</i>
<i>IGBA</i>	<i>1970 Illegal Gambling Business Act</i>
<i>IGG</i>	<i>itinéraire à grand gabarit</i> (France)
IHR	International Health Regulations (WHO)
<i>IIA</i>	<i>International Investment Agreement</i>
IIF	Institute of International Finance
IIPA	International Intellectual Property Alliance
IIT	Indian Institute of Technology
ILAB (BILA)	Bureau of International Labor Affairs (U.S. DOL OTLA)
ILC	International Law Commission
ILO	International Labor Organization
ILRF	International Labor Rights Forum
<i>ILSA</i>	<i>1996 Iran and Libya Sanctions Act</i> (called <i>ISA</i> after <i>IFSA</i>)

IMC	Industrial Metal and Commodities
IMF	International Monetary Fund
<i>IMF Articles</i>	<i>Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund</i>
IMIDRO	Iranian Mines and Mining Industries Development and Renovation Organization
IMO	International Maritime Organization (CMI)
IMTDC	iron mechanical transfer drive component
<i>INARA</i>	<i>2015 Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act</i>
Inc.	incorporated (U.S.)
Incoterms	International Commercial Terms (ICC)
INN	International Non-proprietary Names (WHO)
INOVAR-AUTO	Incentive to the Technological Innovation and Densification of the Automotive Supply Chain (Brazil)
INR (1st meaning)	Initial Negotiating Right
INR (2nd meaning)	Indian <i>Rupee</i>
INS	U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (reorganized partly into ICE in March 2003)
IO	International Organization
IOR	Importer of Record
IP	Intellectual Property
IPBES	Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Studies
IPCC	U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
<i>IPEF</i>	<i>Indo-Pacific Economic Framework</i>
<i>IPI Tax</i>	Tax on Industrialized Products (Brazil)
<i>IPIC Treaty (Washington Treaty)</i>	<i>1989 Treaty on Intellectual Property in Respect of Integrated Circuits</i>
IPO	initial public offering
IPOA	International Plan Of Action

IPOA-IUU	International Plan Of Action to Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (FAO)
<i>IPPC</i>	1952 <i>International Plant Protection Convention</i>
IPPR	Institute for Public Policy Research
IPR (1st meaning)	Intellectual Property Right
IPR (2nd meaning)	International Priority Right
IPTV	Internet Protocol Television
<i>IRA</i> (1st meaning)	<i>U.S. Inflation Reduction Act of 2022</i>
<i>IRA</i> (2nd meaning)	Irish Republican Army (Provisional Irish Republican Army)
IRC	U.S. Internal Revenue Code
IRG (IRGC)	Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps)
IRGCN	Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps Navy (Iran)
IRGC-QF	Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corp <i>Quds</i> Forces (Iran)
IRISL	Islamic Republic of Iran Shipping Lines
IRNA	Islamic Republic News Agency (Iran)
IRQ	Individual Reference Quantity
IRS	U.S. Internal Revenue Service
<i>ISA</i>	<i>Iran Sanctions Act of 1996</i> , as amended, <i>i.e.</i> , <i>Iran Sanctions Act of 2012</i> (formerly <i>ILSA</i>)
ISDS	Investor-State Dispute Settlement
ISEAS	Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore)
ISI	Inter-Services Intelligence (Pakistan)
ISIL	Islamic State in the Levant (ISIS)
ISIS	Islamic State in Shams (ISIL)

ISO	International Organization for Standardization
ISTC	International Sugar Trade Coalition
IT	Information Technology
<i>ITA</i> (1st meaning)	1996 WTO <i>Information Technology Agreement</i>
<i>ITA</i> (2nd meaning)	U.S. International Trade Administration (DOC)
<i>ITA II (ITA — Exp)</i>	2015 <i>Information Technology Agreement</i> (Expansion of the <i>Information Technology Agreement</i>)
<i>ITAR</i>	<i>International Traffic in Arms Regulations</i>
ITC (1st meaning)	International Trade Center (joint WTO-U.N. agency)
ITC (U.S.ITC) (2nd meaning)	U.S. International Trade Commission
ITDS	International Trade Data System (electronic single window for import-export data)
ITO	International Trade Organization
<i>ITO Charter (Havana Charter)</i>	<i>Charter for an International Trade Organization</i>
ITRD	International Trade Reporter Decisions
ITSR	Iranian Transactions and Sanctions Regulations (31 C.F.R. Part 560)
ITT	ITT Corporation
ITT NV	ITT Night Vision
ITU	International Telecommunications Union
IUD	intra-uterine device
IUSCT	Iran — U.S. Claims Tribunal
IUU	illegal, unreported, and unregulated
IWC	International Whaling Commission
<i>JADE Act</i>	2008 <i>Tom Lantos Block Burmese JADE (Junta's Anti-Democratic Efforts) Act</i>
J&K	Jammu and Kashmir (Indian-Administered Kashmir)
JCPOA	July 2015 <i>Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (Iran Nuclear Deal)</i>

<i>JeM</i>	<i>Jaish-e-Mohammed</i> ("The Army of Muhammad," Pakistan-based terrorist organization)
JFTC	Japan Fair Trade Commission
JIA	Japanese Investigative Authority
JNPT	Jawaharlal Nehru Port Terminals (Mumbai, India)
JPC	Joint Planning Committee (India)
JSC	Joint Stock Company (Russia)
<i>JSI</i>	<i>Joint Statement Initiative</i>
JV	Joint Venture
KAF	Khalid Al Falih (former Saudi Minister of Oil)
KCBT	Kansas City Board of Trade
KDB	Korea Development Bank
KEXIM	Export-Import Bank of Korea
KFC	Kentucky Fried Chicken
<i>KfW</i>	<i>Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau</i> (Germany, Credit Agency for Reconstruction)
kg	kilogram
<i>KGB</i>	<i>Komitet Gosudarstvennoy Bezopasnosti</i> ("Committee for State Security," Soviet Union)
<i>KH</i>	<i>Kata'ib Hezbollah</i> (Hezbollah Brigades, Iraq)
km	kilometer
KMA	Kubota Manufacturing of America
<i>KMT</i>	<i>Kuomintang</i>
KORUS	<i>Korea — United States Free Trade Agreement</i>
KPPI	<i>Komite Pengamanan Perdagangan Indonesia</i> (competent international trade authority)
KSA	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
KU	University of Kansas

kW	kilowatt
kWh	kilowatt hour
L/C	Letter of Credit
LAC	Line of Actual Control (Ladakh-Aksai Chin)
LAN	Local Area Network
LAP	Labor Action Plan (Colombia TPA)
LCA	Large Civil Aircraft
LCD	Liquid Crystal Display
LDBDC	Least Developed Beneficiary Developing Country
LDC (1st meaning)	Least Developed Country
LDC (2nd meaning)	Less Developed Country (includes developing and least developed countries)
LDC (3rd meaning)	Local distribution company
LED	light-emitting diode
LEEM	Licensing and Enforcement Experts Meeting (MTCR)
LegCo	Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
LGBTQ+	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (or Questioning), and others
LLDC	Landlocked Developing Country
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
LNPP	Large Newspaper Printing Press
LNR	Luhansk People's Republic
LOC	Line of Control (Kashmir)
LOT	Level of Trade (dumping margin calculation adjustment)
LPAI	Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza
LPF	level playing field
LPG	Liquefied Petroleum Gas

LPMO	Livestock Products Marketing Organization (Korea)
LPNAI	Low Pathogenic Notifiable Avian Influenza
LPR (1st meaning)	Labor Force Participation Rate
LPR (2nd meaning)	Loan Prime Rate (PBOC)
LRW	Large Residential Washer
LTFV	Less Than Fair Value
LVC	Labor Value Content
LVMH	Louis Vuitton Moët Hennessey
LWR	Light-Walled Rectangular pipe and tube
LWS	Laminated Woven Sacks
M&A	mergers and acquisitions
MAD	Mutually Assured Destruction
MAFF	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries (Korea)
MAI	Multilateral Agreement on Investment
MAP	Monitoring and Action Plan
<i>Marrakesh Protocol</i>	<i>Marrakesh Protocol</i> to GATT 1994
Maastricht Treaty	1992 Treaty on European Union
MAS	Monetary Authority of Singapore
<i>MBB</i>	<i>Messerschmitt-Bölkow-Blohm GmbH</i> (Germany)
MBS	Mohammed Bin Salman (Crown Prince, Saudi Arabia)
MC (MCX)	WTO Ministerial Conference (MC11 means 11th Ministerial Conference, MC12 means 12th Ministerial Conference, MC13 means 13th Ministerial Conference, and so on)
MCF	military-civil fusion (doctrine) (China)
MCIT	Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (India)
MCL	Munitions Control List

MCTL	Military Critical Technologies List
MDG	Millennium Development Goal
MDL	Military Demarcation Line (DMZ)
MEA	<i>Multilateral Environmental Agreement</i>
MEC	Myanmar Economic Corporation
MEDT	Ministry of Economic Development and Trade (Ukraine)
MEFTA	<i>Middle East Free Trade Agreement</i>
MEHL	Myanmar Economic Holdings Limited
MEK (PMOI)	<i>Mojahedin-e Khalq</i> (<i>People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran, PMOI, exiled Iranian opposition group</i>)
MENA	Middle East North Africa
MEP	Member of the European Parliament
METI	Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (Japan, formerly MITI)
MEU	military end user
MFA	<i>Multi-Fiber Arrangement (1974–2004)</i>
MFN	Most Favored Nation
MGE	Myanmar Gems Enterprise
MHI	Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.
MHT	<i>Matra Hautes Technologies</i> (France)
MI5	Military Intelligence, Section 5 (U.K. domestic counter-intelligence and security agency)
MI6	Military Intelligence, Section 6 (U.K. foreign intelligence service)
MIIT	Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (China)
MITI	Ministry of International Trade and Industry (Japan)
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly (Stormont, Northern Ireland)
mm	millimeter

MMA	Minimum Market Access (quota)
MMBtu	Million British Thermal Unit
<i>MMPA</i>	<i>1972 Marine Mammal Protection Act</i>
MMT	million metric tons
mn	million
MNC	Multinational Corporation
MNE	Multinational Enterprise
MOCI	Ministry of Commerce and Industry (India, Saudi Arabia)
MOCIE	Ministry of Commerce, Industry, and Energy (Korea)
MOFAT	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Korea)
MOFCOM	Ministry of Commerce (China)
MOGE	Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise (sometimes referred to as Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise)
MOI (MOI Test)	Market Oriented Industry
MOTIE	Ministry of Trade, Industry, and Energy (Korea)
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MP	Member of Parliament
MPC	Marginal Propensity to Consume
MPF	Merchandise Processing Fee
<i>MPIA</i>	<i>WTO Multi-Party Interim Appeal Arbitration Arrangement</i>
MPS	Marginal Propensity to Save
<i>MRA</i>	<i>Mutual Recognition Agreement</i>
MRE	Meals Ready to Eat
MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
MRL	Maximum Residue Level
MRM	Marine Resource Management
mRNA	messenger ribonucleic acid

MRS	Marginal Rate of Substitution
MRT	Marginal Rate of Transformation
MSCI	Morgan Stanley Capital International
<i>MSF</i>	<i>Médecins Sans Frontières</i>
MSME	Micro, Small, and Medium Sized Enterprise
MSP (1st meaning)	Minimum Support Price
MSP (2nd meaning)	Ministry of Social Protection (Colombia)
MSS	Ministry of State Security (China)
MST	Minimum Standard of Treatment
MSY	maximum sustainable yield
mt	metric ton
MTA (1st meaning)	Managed Trade Agreement
MTA (2nd meaning)	Metropolitan Transit Authority (New York City)
MTA (3rd meaning)	Multilateral Trade Agreement
MTB	Miscellaneous Trade Bill (multiple years)
MTCR	Missile Technology Control Regime
MTN	Multilateral Trade Negotiation
MTO	Multilateral Trade Organization
MTOP	Millions of Theoretical Operations per Second
MUFG	Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group Bank, Ltd. (Japan)
MVTO	Motor Vehicles Tariff Order (Canada)
MWh	Mega Watt hour
MY	Marketing Year
NAD Bank	North American Development Bank (NAFTA)
<i>NAAEC</i>	<i>North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (NAFTA Environmental Side Agreement)</i>

NAALC	<i>North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAFTA Labor Side Agreement)</i>
NAFTA	<i>North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA 1.0 and/or NAFTA 2.0)</i>
NAFTA 1.0	<i>North American Free Trade Agreement (original FTA that entered into force 1 January 1994)</i>
NAFTA 2.0	<i>North American Free Trade Agreement (revised FTA based on August 2017-September 2018 renegotiations, called CUSMA in Canada, USMCA in America, and informally called NAFTA 2.0, signed again after further renegotiations 10 December 2019, and entered into force 1 July 2020)</i>
NAI	Notifiable Avian Influenza
NAM (1st meaning)	U.S. National Association of Manufacturers
NAM (2nd meaning)	Non-Aligned Movement
NAMA	Non-Agricultural Market Access
NAND	Not AND flash memory chip technology
NAO	National Administrative Office (NAFTA)
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NASA	U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NASDAQ	National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations exchange (U.S.)
NBA	National Basketball Association
NBP	National Bank of Pakistan
NC	Net Cost
NCC (1st meaning)	National Chicken Council
NCC (2nd meaning)	Non-Cooperative Country (Argentina)
NCCDA	<i>National Critical Capabilities Defense Act (part of ACA)</i>
NCM	Non-Conforming Measure
N.C.M.	<i>Nomenclatura Común MERCOSUR (MERCOSUR Common Nomenclature)</i>

NCSC (1st meaning)	National Counterintelligence and Security Center (U.S.)
NCSC (2nd meaning)	National Cyber Security Center (U.K.)
NCTO	National Council of Textile Organizations
NDA	National Democratic Alliance (India)
NDAA	U.S. <i>National Defense Authorization Act</i> (annual policy bill for DOD and national security since 1962)
NDC	North Drilling Company (Iran)
NdFeB	neodymium-iron-boron permanent magnets (also called neodymium magnets, neo magnets, or rare earth magnets)
NDRC	National Development and Reform Commission (China)
NEA	1976 <i>National Emergencies Act</i>
NEI	National Export Initiative
NEP	New Economic Policy (Malaysia)
nes	not elsewhere specified
NFIDC	Net Food Importing Developing Country
NFTC	National Foreign Trade Council
NG	Natural Gas
NGR	Negotiating Group on Rules (WTO Doha Round)
NHI	National Health Insurance (Korea)
NHS	National Health Service (U.K.)
NHT	National Hand Tools Corporation
NI	Northern Ireland
NIC	Newly Industrialized Country
NICO	Naftiran Intertrade Company

NIDC	National Iranian Drilling Company (NIOC subsidiary)
NIEO	New International Economic Order
NIOC	National Iranian Oil Company
NIST	U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology
NITC	National Iranian Tanker Company
NJPA	National Juice Products Association
NLC	National Labor Committee (U.S.)
NLCF	National Livestock Cooperatives Federation
NLD	National League for Democracy (Burma)
NLR	No Licence Required (U.S. DOC BIS)
NLRB	National Labor Relations Board (U.S.)
nm	nanometer
NMDC	National Minerals Development Corporation (India)
NME	Non-Market Economy
NMFS	U.S. National Marine Fisheries Service (DOC)
NNSA	U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE)
NOAA	U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (DOC)
NO _x	Nitrogen oxides
NPA	Non-Prosecution Agreement
NPC (1st meaning)	National People's Congress (China's legislature)
NPC (2nd meaning)	National Petrochemical Company (Iran)
NPCSC	National People's Congress Standing Committee (NPC's top-decision making body)
NPF	Non-Privileged Foreign status

NPL	Non-Performing Loan
<i>NPT</i>	1968 <i>Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty</i>
NRA	National Rifle Association
NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NRI	Non-Resident Indian
NRL	Nuclear Referral List
NSA	U.S. National Security Agency
NSC	National Securities Commission (Argentina)
NS-CMIC List	Non-SDN Chinese Military Industrial Complex Companies List
NSF	U.S. National Science Foundation
NSG	Nuclear Suppliers Group
<i>NSIBR</i>	<i>National Security Industrial Base Regulations</i>
<i>NSL</i>	<i>National Security Law</i> (2020 <i>Law of the PRC on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</i>)
NSM	Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission (India)
NSPD	National Security Presidential Directive
NSS	WTO SPS National Notification System
NTA	National Textile Association (U.S.)
NTB	Non-Tariff Barrier
NTC	National Trade Council (United States)
<i>NTE</i> (1st meaning)	<i>National Trade Estimate Report on Foreign Trade Barriers</i> (USTR)
NTE (NTE sector) (2nd meaning)	Non-Traditional Export (sector)
NTM	Non-Tariff Measure
NTR	Normal Trade Relations
NTSB	National Transportation Safety Board (U.S.)

NV (N.V.) (1st meaning)	<i>Naamloze Vennootschap</i> (Dutch), a publicly limited liability company, with legal personality, which sells capital that is divided into shares to the public to obtain income.
NV (2nd meaning)	Normal Value
NVOCC	Non-Vessel Operating Common Carrier
NWFP	North West Frontier Province (Pakistan) (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa)
N.Y. Fed (FRBNY)	Federal Reserve Bank of New York
NYSE	New York Stock Exchange
NYU	New York University
NZ\$	New Zealand Dollar
NZD	New Zealand Dollar
OAS	Organization of American States
OBE	Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire
OBRA	<i>Omnibus Budget and Reconciliation Act</i> (multiple years)
OCD	Ordinary Customs Duties
OCR	Out of Cycle Review
OCTG	Oil Country Tubular Goods
ODA	Official Development Assistance
ODC	Other Duties and Charges
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
<i>OED</i>	<i>Oxford English Dictionary</i>
OEE	U.S. Office of Export Enforcement (BIS)
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
OFA	Other Forms of Assistance
OFAC	U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control (Department of the Treasury)
OIC	Organization of Islamic Conference
OIE	World Organization for Animal Health (<i>Office International des Epizooties</i>)

OLI	Ownership, Location, and Internalization (Theory)
OMA	Orderly Marketing Arrangement
OMB	Office of Management and Budget (U.S.)
OMO	Open Market Operation
OOIDA	Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association
OPA	Ontario Power Authority (Canada)
OPEC	Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
OPIC	U.S. Overseas Private Investment Association (U.S. International Development Finance Corporation)
OPZ	Outward Processing Zone (KORUS)
OSINFOR	<i>Organismo de Supervisión de los Recursos Forestales y de Fauna Silvestre</i> (Forestry regulator, Peru)
<i>Oslo I Accord (Oslo I)</i>	13 September 1993 <i>Israeli-PLO Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements</i> (DOP)
OTC	Over the Counter
<i>OTCA (1988 Act)</i>	<i>Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988</i>
OTCG	Oil Country Tubular Good
OTDS	Overall Trade distorting Domestic Support
OTEXA	Office of Textiles and Apparel (U.S. DOC)
OTLA	Office of Trade and Labor Affairs (in DOL)
OTR	Off-The-Road
P5 + 1	China, France, Russia, U.K., and U.S. (five permanent U.N. Security Council members), plus Germany
P&I	protection and indemnity (maritime insurance)
PACOM (USINDOPACOM)	United States Indo-Pacific Command
<i>PADIS</i>	Program of Incentives for the Semiconductors Sector (Brazil)

PAP	People's Action Party (Singapore)
PAPS	Pre-Arrival Processing System
<i>Paris Agreement</i>	December 2015 <i>Paris Climate Accord</i> , or <i>Paris Climate Agreement</i> , under UNFCCC
<i>Paris Convention</i>	1883 Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property
PASA	Pre-Authorization Safety Audit
<i>PATVD</i>	Program of Support for the Technological Development of the Industry of Digital TV Equipment (Brazil)
PBC (PBOC)	People's Bank of China
PBS	Price Band System
PBUH	Peace Be Upon Him
Pub. L. No.	Public Law Number (United States)
PC	Personal Computer
PCA (1st meaning)	Post-Clearance Audit
PCA (2nd meaning)	Permanent Court of Arbitration (The Hague)
PCAOB	Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States)
PCAST	President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (United States)
PCB	printed circuit board
PCBA	printed circuit board assembly
PCG (PCG fibers)	polyvinyl alcohol (PVA), cellulose, and glass fibers
PDB	President's Daily Brief
PDR	People's Democratic Republic (Lao PDR)
PDV	Present Discounted Value
<i>PDVSA</i>	<i>Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A.</i> (Venezuelan state-owned oil and natural gas company)

<i>PEESA</i>	<i>Protecting Europe's Energy Security Act of 2019, as amended</i>
<i>Pemex</i>	<i>Petróleos Mexicanos</i> (Mexico)
PEO	Permanent Exclusion Order
PETA	People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals
PF	Privileged Foreign status
PFC	Priority Foreign Country
<i>Pharma Agreement</i>	<i>WTO Agreement on Pharmaceutical Products</i> (Uruguay Round plurilateral sectoral agreement)
PhRMA	Pharmaceutical Manufacturers of America
PI	preliminary injunction
<i>PIS/PASEP</i>	<i>Social Integration Program/Civil Service Asset Formation Program Contribution</i> (Brazil)
<i>PIS/PASEP-Importation</i>	<i>Social Integration and Civil Service Asset Formation Programs Contribution Applicable to Imports of Foreign Goods or Services</i> (Brazil)
PJSC	Public Joint Stock Company (Russia)
PLA	People's Liberation Army (China)
Plc	public limited company (U.K.)
PLI	Production-Linked Incentive
PLO	Palestine Liberation Organization
PM	Prime Minister
PMC	Popular Mobilization Committee (Iraq)
PME	Pingtian Marine Enterprise (China)
PNTR	Permanent Normal Trade Relations
PNW	Pine wood nematode
POA	Power of Attorney

POC	Point of Contact (MTCR)
POI	Period of Investigation
POR	Period of Review
POW-MIA	Prisoner of War — Missing in Action
PP	Purchase Price (Pre-Uruguay Round U.S. term for Export Price)
PPA	Power Purchase Agreement
<i>PPB</i>	Basic Productive Process (Brazil)
PPE	personal protective equipment
PPF	Production Possibilities Frontier
PPM (1st meaning)	parts per million
PPM (2nd meaning)	process and production method
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
PPS	Probability-Proportional to Size
PR	public relations
PRC	People's Republic of China
<i>PROEX</i>	<i>Programa de Financiamento às Exportações</i> (Brazil)
<i>PRO-IP Act</i>	<i>2008 Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property Act</i>
PRS	Price Range System
PSA (1st meaning)	Port of Singapore Authority
PSA (2nd meaning)	production sharing agreement
PSC	Post-Summary Correction (U.S. CBP)
PSH	Public Stock Holding
PSI	Pre-Shipment Inspection
<i>PSI Agreement</i>	<i>WTO Agreement on Pre-Shipment Inspection</i>
PSRO	Product Specific Rule of Origin
PSU	Public Sector Unit (India)

PTA (1st meaning)	Preferential Trade Agreement, or Preferential Trading Arrangement
PTA (2nd meaning)	Payable through account
PTO	U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
PUBG	PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds (Chinese app)
PV	Photovoltaic
PVA (PVA fibers)	Polyvinyl alcohol fibers
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride
PVLT	passenger vehicle and light truck
PwC	PricewaterhouseCoopers
QAI	Quds Aviation Industries (Iran)
QC	Queen's Counsel
QE	Quantitative Easing
QIZ	Qualified Industrial Zone
QR	Quantitative Restriction
Quad	Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Australia, India, Japan, and U.S.)
R&D	Research and Development
R&TD	Research and Technological Development measures
RAM	Recently Acceded Member (of WTO)
RAN	Radio Access Network
RBI	Reserve Bank of India
RCC	United States — Canada Regulatory Cooperation Council
RCEP	Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership
RCMC	Registration-cum-Membership Certificate (India)
RDIF	Russian Direct Investment Fund
rDNA	recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, and Authorization of Chemicals (EU)

REC	Regional Economic Community
REER	Real Effective Exchange Rate
Rep.	Representative
<i>RESTRICT Act</i>	<i>U.S. Restricting the Emergence of Security Threats that Risk Information and Communications Technology (RESTRICT) Act</i>
RFMO	Regional Fisheries Management Organization
RFMO/A	Regional Fisheries Management Organization or Arrangement
RMA (1st meaning)	Risk Management Association (U.S.)
RMA (2nd meaning)	Risk Management Authorization
<i>RMB</i>	<i>Ren min bi</i> ("people's money," the Chinese currency)
RMG	Ready Made Garment
RMI (DRM)	Rights Management Information (Digital Rights Management)
RNG	WTO Negotiating Group on Rules (Rules Negotiating Group)
RNRC	Russian National Reinsurance Company
ROA	Return on Assets
ROC (R.O.C.)	Republic of China (Taiwan)
<i>Rome Convention</i>	<i>1964 Rome Convention for the Protection of Performer, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations</i>
ROO	Rule Of Origin
ROW	Rest Of World
ROZ	Reconstruction Opportunity Zone
RPC	<i>RCEP</i> Participating Country
RPG	Rocket-propelled grenade
RPL	Relative Price Line
RPOC	Reinforced Point Of Contact (MTCR)
RPT	Reasonable Period of Time

RRM	<i>USMCA Rapid Response Mechanism</i>
Rs.	<i>Rupee</i>
RSS	<i>Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (India)</i>
RTA	Regional Trade Agreement
RTAA	Re-employment Trade Adjustment Assistance
Rusi	Royal United Services Institute (U.K.)
RV	Recreational Vehicle
RVC	Regional Value Content
S&D	Special and Differential
S&ED	Strategic and Economic Dialogue (U.S.-China)
S.A.	<i>Soci�t� Anonyme</i> (French company designation), <i>Sociedad An�nima</i> (Spanish company designation), <i>Sociedade An�nima</i> (Portuguese company designation)
S.A. de C.V.	<i>Sociedad An�nima de Capital Variable</i> (Mexican company designation)
SAA	Statement of Administrative Action
SAARC	<i>South Asia Association for Regional Cooperation</i>
SABIC	Saudi Arabian Basic Industry Corporation (Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation)
SAC	State Administration Council (Burma)
SACU	<i>Southern African Customs Union</i>
SADC	<i>Southern African Development Community</i>
<i>SAFE Port Act</i>	<i>2006 Security and Accountability for Every Port Act</i>
SAFTA	<i>South Asia Free Trade Agreement</i>
SAGIA	Saudi Arabian General Investment Authority
SAM	surface-to-air (missile)
SAMA	Saudi Arabian Monetary Authority
SAP	Structural Adjustment Program
SAPTA	<i>South Asia Preferential Trading Arrangement</i>

SAR (1st meaning)	Suspicious Activity Report (FinCEN)
SAR (2nd meaning)	Special Administrative Region (China)
SAR (3rd meaning)	Saudi Arabian <i>Riyal</i>
SARS	Sudden Acute Respiratory Syndrome
SASAC	State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council (China)
SBV	State Bank of Vietnam
Scexit	Exit of Scotland from the U.K.
SCGP	Supplier Credit Guarantee Program
SCI	<i>Secretaría de Comercio Interior</i> (Argentina, Secretary of Domestic Trade)
SCM	Subsidies and Countervailing Measures
<i>SCM Agreement</i>	<i>WTO Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures</i> (ASCM)
SCP	Sugar Containing Product
SDF	Steel Development Fund (India)
SDG	United Nations Sustainable Development Goal
SDIC	State Development & Investment Corp. (China)
SDLP	Social Democratic and Labor Party (Northern Ireland)
SDN (SDN List)	Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (List)
Sdn Bhd (SDN BHD)	Sendirian Berhad (privately limited company, Malaysia)
SDR (1st meaning)	services domestic regulation
SDR (2nd meaning)	IMF Special Drawing Right
SE	<i>Secretaría de Economía</i> (Secretariat of Economy, Mexico, formerly <i>SECOFI</i>)
SEBI	Securities and Exchange Bureau of India
SEC	U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

SECOFI	Secretary of Commerce and Industrial Development (<i>Secretario de Comercio y Fomento Industrial</i>), i.e., Ministry of Commerce and Industrial Development (Mexico, renamed SE in December 2000)
SED	Strategic Economic Dialogue (U.S.-China)
SEI	Strategic Emerging Industry (SEI Catalogue — China)
SEIU	Service Employees International Union
Sen.	Senator
SENTRI	Secure Electronic Network for Travelers Rapid Inspection
SEP	Standard Essential Patent
SEZ	Special Economic Zone
SFA	Singapore Food Agency
SFO	Serious Fraud Office
SG&A	Selling, General, and Administrative expenses
SG\$	Singapore Dollar
SGD	Singapore Dollar
SHIG	Shahid Hemmat Industries Group (Iran)
SIDS	Small Island Developing States
<i>SJM</i>	<i>Swadeshi Jagaran Manch</i> (India)
SIE	State Invested Enterprise
SIFI	Systemically Important Financial Institution
SIFMA	Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association
SII	Serum Institute of India
SIL	Special Import License (India)
SIM	<i>Sistema Informático MARIA</i> (Argentina, AFIP electronic portal information system)
<i>SIMA</i>	<i>Special Import Measures Act</i> (Canada)
SKD	Semi-knock down

<i>SKM</i>	<i>Samyukta Kisan Morcha</i> (India, umbrella group of approximately 40 farmers unions)
SMART	Secondary Materials and Recycled Textiles Association
SMBC	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (Japan)
SME (1st meaning)	Small and Medium Sized Enterprise
SME (2nd meaning)	Square Meter Equivalent
SMIC	Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corp. (China)
SMS	Supply Management System (Canada)
SNAP	Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program
SNAP-R	Simplified Network Application Process — Redesign
SNB	Swiss National Bank
SNITIS	<i>Sindicato Nacional Independiente de Trabajadores de Industrias y de Servicios Movimiento 20/32</i> (independent Mexican labor union)
SNP	Scottish National Party
S.O.	Statutory Order (India)
SOCB	State Owned Commercial Bank (China)
<i>SocGen</i>	<i>Société Générale</i> (France)
SOE	State Owned Enterprise
SOF	Special Operations Forces
SOGI	Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
SPD	Solar Power Developer
SPI (1st meaning)	Seven Pillars Institute for Global Finance and Ethics
SPI (2nd meaning)	Special Program Indicator
<i>SPND</i>	<i>Sazman-e Pazhouheshhaye Novin-e Defa'i</i> (Organization of Defensive Innovation and Research, Iran)

SPS (1st meaning)	Sanitary and Phytosanitary
SPS (2nd meaning)	Single Payment Scheme
<i>SPS Agreement</i>	<i>WTO Agreement on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures</i>
SPV	Special Purpose Vehicle
SRAM	Static Random Access Memory (chip)
SRO	Special Remission Order (Canada)
SS	Special Session(s)
SSA	Sub-Saharan Africa
SSAC	Sub-Saharan African Country
SSF Guidelines	Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries in the Context of Food Security and Poverty Eradication (FAO)
SSG	Special Safeguard
SSM	Special Safeguard Mechanism
SSN	Resolutions of the National Insurance Supervisory Authority (Argentina)
SST	State Sponsor of Terrorism
Stat.	United States Statutes at Large
Stat. Suf.	Statistical Suffix
STB	set-top box
STDF	WTO Standards and Trade Development Facility
STE	State Trading Enterprise
STO	Special Trade Obligation
SUV	Sport utility vehicle
SVE	Small, Vulnerable Economy
SVP	surge voltage protector
SWAT	Strategic Worker Assistance and Training Initiative
SWIFT	Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications
T&A	Textiles and Apparel

TAA (1st meaning)	Trade Adjustment Assistance
TAA (2nd meaning)	<i>Trade Agreements Act of 1974</i> , as amended
TAAEA	2011 <i>Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act</i>
TAARA	<i>Trade Adjustment Assistance Reauthorization Act of 2015</i>
TAA Reform Act	2002 <i>Trade Adjustment Assistance Reform Act</i>
TABC (TBC)	Trans-Atlantic Business Council (also abbreviated TBC)
TABD	Trans-Atlantic Business Dialogue
TAC	Total Allowable Catch
<i>TAIPEI Act</i>	2019 <i>Taiwan Allies and International Protection and Enhancement Initiative Act</i>
TB	tuberculosis
TBEA	Tebian Electric Apparatus Co., Ltd. (China)
TBI	traumatic brain injury
TBT	Technical Barriers to Trade
<i>TBT Agreement</i>	WTO <i>Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade</i>
TCA	<i>U.K.-EU Trade and Cooperation Agreement</i> (<i>EU-U.K. Trade and Cooperation Agreement</i> , <i>i.e.</i> , Christmas Eve 2020 <i>Brexit Deal</i> , effective 1 January 2020)
TCOM	Total Cost of Manufacturing
TCP (1st meaning)	Third Country Price
TCP (2nd meaning)	<i>El Tratado de Comercio entre los Pueblos</i> , ("Trade Treaty for the Peoples")
TCS	Tata Consulting Services
TD	Treasury Decision (U.S.)
TDA	2000 <i>Trade and Development Act</i>
TDDS	trade-distorting domestic support
TDEA	1983 <i>Trade and Development Enhancement Act</i>
TDI	Trade Defense Instrument
TDIC	Tourism Development and Investment Company (Abu Dhabi, UAE)

TEA (1st meaning)	<i>Trade Expansion Act of 1962</i> , as amended
TEA (2nd meaning)	<i>Trade Enforcement Act of 2015</i> , as amended (same as <i>TFTEA</i>)
TECRO	Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office
TED	Turtle Excluder Device
TEM	Technical Experts Meeting (MTCR)
TEO	Temporary Exclusion Order
<i>ter</i>	third version (of a text)
TEU	Twenty Foot Equivalent Unit
TFA	WTO <i>Agreement on Trade Facilitation</i> (Trade Facilitation Agreement)
TFAF	Trade Facilitation Agreement Facility
TFP	Total Factor Productivity
TFR	Total Fertility Rate
TGAAA	2009 <i>Trade and Globalization Adjustment Assistance Act</i>
TGL	Temporary General License
THAAD	Terminal High Altitude Area Defense system
TIEA	<i>Tax Information Exchange Agreement</i>
TIES	Threat and Imposition of Economic Sanctions database (University of North Carolina)
TIFA	<i>Trade and Investment Framework Agreement</i>
TIPA	<i>Taiwan Invasion Prevention Act</i>
TIPI	<i>Trade and Investment Partnership Initiative</i>
TISA (<i>TiSA</i> , <i>TSA</i>)	WTO <i>Trade in Services Agreement</i>
TKB	<i>Transkapitalbank</i> (Russia)
TMT	thousand metric tons
TN (1st meaning)	<i>NAFTA</i> business visa
tn (second meaning)	trillion
TNC	WTO Trade Negotiations Committee
TOT	Terms of Trade
TPA (1st meaning)	Trade Promotion Agreement

TPA (2nd meaning)	Trade Promotion Authority (Fast Track)
TPBI	Thai Plastic Bags Industries
TPC	Technology Partnerships Canada
<i>TPEA</i>	2015 <i>Trade Preferences Extension Act</i>
TPF	United States — India Trade Policy Forum
TPL	Tariff Preference Level
TPM (1st meaning)	Trigger Price Mechanism
TPM (2nd meaning)	Technological Protection Measure
<i>TPP</i> (1st meaning)	<i>Trans Pacific Partnership</i>
TPP (2nd meaning)	Tobacco Plain Packaging For example, Australia’s (1) <i>Tobacco Plain Packaging Act 2011</i> , (2) <i>Tobacco Plain Packaging Regulations 2011</i> , as amended by the <i>Tobacco Plain Packaging Amendment Regulation 2012</i> (Number 1), and (3) <i>Trade Marks Amendment (Tobacco Plain Packaging) Act 2011</i> .
<i>TPP II</i>	<i>CPTPP</i> (entered into force 30 December 2018)
TPRB	WTO Trade Policy Review Body
TPRM	WTO Trade Policy Review Mechanism
TPSC	Trade Policy Staff Committee (U.S., interagency led by USTR)
<i>TRA</i> (1st meaning)	1979 <i>Taiwan Relations Act</i>
TRA (2nd meaning)	Trade Readjustment Allowance
TRB	Tapered roller bearing
<i>TRIA</i>	<i>Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002</i>
TRIMs	Trade Related Investment Measures
<i>TRIMs Agreement</i>	WTO <i>Agreement on Trade Related Investment Measures</i>
TRIPs	Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
<i>TRIPs Agreement</i>	WTO <i>Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights</i>
TRO	Temporary Restraining Order
TRQ	Tariff Rate Quota
TSA	U.S. Transportation Security Administration
TSMC	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co.

TSUS	Tariff Schedule of the United States (predecessor to HTSUS)
TTC	U.S.-EU Trade and Technology Council
TTF	Dutch Title Transfer Facility
<i>T-TIP</i>	<i>Trans-Atlantic Trade and Investment Partnership</i>
TV (1st meaning)	Television
TV (2nd meaning)	Transaction Value
TVE	Town and Village Enterprise
<i>TVPA</i>	<i>2000 Trafficking Victims Protection Act</i>
<i>TWEA</i>	<i>1917 Trading With the Enemy Act</i>
TWN	Third World Network
UAV	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (drone)
UAW	United Auto Workers
UBC	University of British Columbia
UBS AG	Swiss bank resulting from 1998 merger of Union Bank of Switzerland and Swiss Bank Corporation (founded in 1872 and 1862, respectively)
UCC (1st meaning)	Uniform Civil Code (India)
U.C.C. (2nd meaning)	Uniform Commercial Code
UCLA	University of California at Los Angeles
UCP (1st meaning)	Uniform Customs and Practices
UCP (2nd meaning)	Unified Cargo Processing
UE	United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America
UEFA	Union of European Football Associations
UES	United Engineering Steel (U.K.)
<i>UETA</i>	<i>1999 Uniform Electronic Transactions Act</i>
UF	Ultra-filtered (milk)
UF ₆	Uranium Hexafluoride
<i>UFLPA</i>	<i>2021 Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act</i>

UHRP	Uyghur Human Rights Project
UI	Unemployment Insurance
<i>UIEGA</i>	<i>2006 Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act</i>
U.K.	United Kingdom
U.K.CA (UKCA)	United Kingdom Conformity Assessed
U.K.CGC	U.K. Carbon & Graphite Company
<i>U.K.SFTA (UKSFTA)</i>	<i>United Kingdom-Singapore Free Trade Agreement</i>
UMR	Usual Marketing Requirement (FAO)
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunications System
UN	United Nations
<i>UNCAC</i>	<i>United Nations Convention Against Corruption</i>
UNCC	United Nations Compensation Commission
UNCDP	United Nations Committee for Development Policy
UNCITRAL	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
<i>UNCLOS</i>	<i>United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea Treaty</i>
UNCTAD	United Nations Commission on Trade and Development
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Program
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Cultural, and Scientific Organization
<i>UNFCCC</i>	<i>United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change</i>
UNICA	Brazilian Sugarcane Industry Association
UNITA	National Union for the Total Independence of Angola
UNOCHA	United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UNODA	United Nations Office of Disarmament Affairs
UNOHCHR (OHCHR)	United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
UPA	United Progressive Alliance (India)

<i>UPOV</i>	<i>International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants,</i> referring to 1961 <i>International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants</i> (revised 1972, 1978, 1991)
UPS (1st meaning)	uninterrupted power supply
UPS (2nd meaning)	United Parcel Service
UPU	Universal Postal Union
<i>URAA</i>	1994 <i>Uruguay Round Agreements Act</i>
U.S.	United States
USAPEEC	USA Poultry and Egg Export Council
USC	United Shipbuilding Corporation (Russia)
U.S.C.	United States Code
USCBC	U.S.-China Business Council
USCCAN	United States Code Congressional and Administrative News
USCCB	United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
USD (1st meaning)	Union Solidarity and Development Party (Burma)
USD (2nd meaning)	United States Dollar
USDS	United States Data Security (division)
<i>USICA</i>	<i>U.S. Innovation and Competition Act of 2021</i> (Senate bill)
<i>USJDTA</i>	<i>United States — Japan Digital Trade Agreement</i> (signed 7 October 2019)
<i>USJTA</i>	<i>United States — Japan Trade Agreement</i> (signed 7 October 2019, entered into force 1 January 2020)
<i>USMCA</i>	<i>United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement</i> (revised FTA based on August 2017-September 2018 renegotiations, called <i>CUSMA</i> in Canada, <i>USMCA</i> in America, and informally called <i>NAFTA 2.0</i> , signed 30 November 2018, signed again after further renegotiations 10 December 2019, and entered into force 1 July 2020)
USML	United States Munitions List

USP	United States Price (Pre-Uruguay Round U.S. term encompassing both Purchase Price and Exporter's Sales Price)
U.S.S.	United States Ship (U.S. Navy)
U.S.S.R.	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
USTR	U.S. Trade Representative
USVSST	United States Victims of State Sponsored Terrorism Fund
USW (1st meaning)	United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union
USW (2nd meaning)	United Steel Workers of America
UVL	Unverified List
VAT	Value Added Tax
VC	Venture Capital
VCP	Vietnamese Communist Party (or CPV, Communist Party of Vietnam)
VCR	Video Cassette Recorder
VEO	Violent Extremist Organization
VER	Voluntary Export Restraint
VEU	Validated End User
<i>Vienna Convention</i>	1969 <i>Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties</i>
VLCC	Very Large Crude Carrier
VND	Vietnamese <i>dong</i>
VNM (VNOM)	Value of Non-Originating Materials
VOC	volatile organic compound
VOD	video on demand
VOM	Value of Originating Materials
VPN	virtual private network
VRA	Voluntary Restraint Agreement
VSD	voluntary self-disclosure
VW	Volkswagen AG

W120	WTO services classification list (based on CPC)
WA	1995 <i>Wassenaar Arrangement</i>
WAML	Wassenaar Arrangement Munitions List
WCF	World Cocoa Foundation
WCO	World Customs Organization (formerly CCC until 1994)
WFOE	Wholly Foreign-Owned Enterprise (China)
WFP	World Food Program
WHO	World Health Organization
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
WIV	Wuhan Institute of Virology
WMD	Weapon of Mass Destruction
WMO	World Meteorological Association
WRO	Withhold Release Order
WTO	World Trade Organization
<i>WTO Agreement</i>	<i>Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization</i> (including all 4 Annexes)
WWF	World Wildlife Fund
XITIC	Xiamen International Trade and Industrial Company
XPCC	Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps. (China)
XUAR	Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region (China)
YMTC	Yangtze Memory Technologies Co. (China)
YoY	Year on Year
ZAC	<i>zone d'aménagement concertée</i> (France)
ZTE	Zhongxing Telecommunications Corp.
<i>1916 Act</i>	<i>Antidumping Act of 1916</i> , as amended (repealed)
<i>1930 Act</i>	<i>Tariff Act of 1930</i> , as amended

<i>1934 Act</i>	<i>Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act of 1934</i>
<i>1934 FTZ Act</i>	<i>Foreign Trade Zones Act of 1934, as amended</i>
<i>1945 UNPA</i>	<i>United Nations Participation Act of 1945</i>
<i>1974 Act</i>	<i>Trade Act of 1974, as amended</i>
<i>1978 Act</i>	<i>Customs Procedural Reform and Implementation Act</i>
<i>1979 Act</i>	<i>Trade Agreements Act of 1979</i>
<i>1984 Act</i>	<i>International Trade and Investment Act of 1984 (Trade and Tariff Act of 1984)</i>
<i>1988 Act (1st meaning, OTCA)</i>	<i>Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988</i>
<i>1988 Act (2nd meaning)</i>	<i>United States — Canada Free Trade Implementation Act</i>
<i>1990 Act</i>	<i>Customs and Trade Act of 1990</i>
<i>1993 Mod Act</i>	<i>Customs Modernization Act of 1993</i>
<i>1993 NAFTA Implementation Act</i>	<i>North American Free Trade Implementation Act of 1993</i>
<i>2002 Act</i>	<i>Trade Act of 2002</i>
<i>2003 Act</i>	<i>Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003</i>
<i>2007 Act</i>	<i>Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007</i>
<i>2010 Act</i>	<i>Omnibus Trade Act of 2010</i>
3D	Three dimensional
3PLs	Third Party Logistics Providers
3Ts (3T Issues)	Taiwan, Tiananmen, and Tibet
4Ts (4T Issues)	Taiwan, Tiananmen, Tibet, and The Party (CCP)

