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# Abbreviations

ALBA	Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America
AU	African Union
BASICS	Brazil, South Africa, India and China in climate change negotiations
BIT	Bilateral Investment Treaty
BRI	Belt and Road Initiative
BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa
CARICOM	Caribbean Community
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CCICED	China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development
CEPI	Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations
CETA	Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement
CETESB	Environmental Company of the State of São Paulo
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency (USA)
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species
COP	Conference of the Parties
COVAX	COVID-19 Vaccines Global Access
DANIDA	Danish International Development Agency
DC	Developing countries
DDA	Doha Development Agenda
DESA	United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs
ECC	Canada's Minister of Environment and Climate Change
ECHR	European Court of Human Rights
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council
EEU	Eurasian Economic Union
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FCNS	Friendship, Commerce and Navigation Agreements
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FGDS	Focus-Group Discussions
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
G20	Group of 20
G7	Group of 7
G77	Group of 77
GAFA	Google, Amazon, Facebook, Apple
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

GBVF	Gender-based violence and femicide
GCM	Global Compact on Migration
GFMD	Global Forum on Migration and Development
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GVC	Global Value Chains
GW	Gigawatt
HDI	Human Development Index
HIC	Hybrid Institutional Complexes
HRC	Human Rights Council
IACHR	Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
IACTHR	Inter-American Court of Human Rights
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency
ICANN	Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICSID	International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes
IEA	International Energy Agency
IGO	Intergovernmental Organization
IIA	International Investment Agreement
IISD	International Institute for Sustainable Development
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IML	International Migration Law
IMO	International Maritime Organization
INGO	International Nongovernmental Organization
IO	International Organization
IOM	International Organization for Migration
ISDS	Investor – State Dispute Settlement
ITIS	International Trade and Investment System
ITO	International Trade Organization
IUCN	International Union for Conservation of Nature
JEFTA	Japan – EU Free Trade Agreement
LDC	Least developed countries
MCOF	Migration Crisis Operational Framework
MEE	China's Minister of Ecology and Environment
MERCOSUR	<i>Mercado Común del Sur</i> (Common Market of the South)
MFN	Most Favoured Nation
MICIC	Migrants in Countries in Crisis Initiative
MIGOF	Migration Governance Framework
MINT	Mexico, Indonesia, Nigeria and Turkey
MIST	Mexico, Indonesia, South Korea and Turkey

MNC	Multinational Corporation
MNF	Multinational Firm
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NDC	National Determined Contribution
NEA	China's National Energy Administration
NGO	Nongovernmental Organization
NIEO	New International Economic Order
OAS	Organization of American States
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OHCHR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
OSCE	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
RCEP	Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership
RO	Regional Organizations
RTA	Regional Trade Agreement
S&DT	Special and Differential Treatment
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SCO	Shanghai Cooperation Organization
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal
SIDA	Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency
TNC	Transnational Corporation
TTIP	Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership
UCLG	United Cities and Local Governments
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCITRAL	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNDRR	United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNEP FI	United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNGA	United Nations General Assembly
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNISPAL	United Nations Information System on the Question of Palestine
UNRWA	United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

UNSCR	United Nations Security Council Resolution
UNSDG	United Nations Sustainable Development Group
URA	Uruguay Round Agreement
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
USMCA	US – Mexico – Canada Agreement
WB	World Bank
WCR	Wider Caribbean Region
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization

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