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Abbreviations used in the index

- AP I (Additional Protocol relating to international armed conflicts (1977))
- AP II (Additional Protocol relating to non-international armed conflicts (1977))
- AP III (Additional Protocol III relating to the adoption of an additional distinctive emblem (2005))
- CAT (Convention against Torture (1984))
- Chicago Convention (Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation (1944))
- CRPD (Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006))
- ECHR (European Convention on Human Rights (1950))
- Emblem Regulations (Regulations concerning identification as amended 30 November 1993 (AP I, Annex I))
- Fundamental Principles (Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, incorporated in the preamble of the ICRC Statute)
- GC (Geneva Convention)
- HC V (1907) (Hague Convention V (Rights and Duties of Neutral Powers) (1907))
- HC X (1907) (Hague Convention on the Laws and Customs of War on Land)
- HR (Hague Regulations (1907))
- HRC (UN Human Rights Committee)
- ICANN (Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers)
- ICC (International Criminal Court/ICC Statute)
- ICRC (International Committee of the Red Cross)
- ICRC Statutes (Statutes of the Movement/ICRC Statutes)
- ICTR (International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda/ICTR Statute)
- ICTY (International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia/ICTY Statute)
- IHFFC (International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission)
- IHL (international humanitarian law)
- ILC (ILC Articles on State Responsibility (2001))
- The Movement (International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement)
- National Societies (National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies)
- R2P (responsibility to protect)
- SCSL (Special Court for Sierra Leone/SCSL Statute)

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UNC (United Nations Charter (1945))

UNTAET (UN Transitional Administration in East Timor)

UNTS (*UN Treaty Series*)

VCDR (Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (1961))

VCLT (Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (1969))

VCSST (Vienna Convention on Succession of States in Respect of Treaties (1978))

WMA (World Medical Association)

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