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Abbreviations

AALCO	Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization
AD	Annual Digest of Public International Law Cases
ACJ	Andean Court of Justice
ACP	African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States
AEC	African Economic Community
AL	Arab League
AMU	Arab Maghreb Union
APCs	armoured personnel carriers
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
ARIO	Articles on the Responsibility of International Organizations
ARSIWA	Articles on the Responsibility of States for Internationally Wrongful Acts
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
ATA	Anti-Terrorism Act (USA)
ATS	Alien Tort Statute (USA)
AU	African Union
BIMSTEC	Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation
BIS	Bank for International Settlements
BIT	Bilateral Investment Treaty
BRICS	Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
CAHDI	Committee of Legal Advisers on Public International Law (Council of Europe)
CAN	Andean Community
CAR	Central African Republic
CARICOM	Caribbean Community
CAT	Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment [1984]
CAVV	Commissie van Advies inzake Volkenrechtelijke Vraagstukken (Advisory Committee on Issues of Public International Law) (the Netherlands)
CBSS	Council of Baltic Sea States
CEMAC	Central African Economic and Monetary Community

CFSP	Common Foreign and Security Policy
CIL	Customary International Law
CJEU	Court of Justice of the European Union
CJI	Chief Justice of India
CoE	Council of Europe
COMESA	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
CPISA	United Nations Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies [1947]
CPIUN	Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations [1946]
CSCE	Conference for Security and Co-operation in Europe
CSDP	common security and defence policy
DRC	Democratic Republic of the Congo
DUSPIL	Digest of United States Practice in International Law
EAC	East African Community
ECCAS	Economic Community of Central African States
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECmHR	European Commission on Human Rights
ECO	Economic Cooperation Organization
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ECSI	European Convention on State Immunity [1972]
ECT	Energy Charter Treaty [1994]
ECtHR	European Court of Human Rights
EPC	European Patent Convention
EPO	European Patent Organization
EU	European Union
EURATOM/EAEC	European Atomic Energy Community
FAA	Fiscal Agency Agreement
FCO	Foreign & Commonwealth Office (United Kingdom)
FMLC	Financial Markets Law Committee
FSIA	Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services [1994]
GCC	Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf
IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICC	International Criminal Court
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICJ	International Court of Justice
ICSID	International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes
ICSID Convention	Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes between States and Nationals of Other States
ICTR	International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
ICTY	International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
IDA	International Development Association
IDI	Institut de Droit International
IFAD	International Fund For Agricultural Development
IFC	International Finance Corporation

IFI	International Financial Institutions
ILA	International Law Association
ILC	International Law Commission
ILDC	Oxford Reports on International Law in Domestic Courts
ILM	International Legal Materials
ILR	International Law Reports
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IMO	International Maritime Organization
INTERPOL	International Criminal Police Organization
IO	international organisation
ISAF	International Security Assistance Force
IOIA	International Organizations Immunities Act (USA)
IORA	Indian Ocean Rim Association
IRENA	International Renewable Energy Agency
ISDS	investor–State dispute settlement
ITC	International Tin Council
ITLOS	International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
JACJFS	Act on Civil Jurisdiction over Foreign States (Japan)
JASTA	Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act (USA) [2016]
JORF	<i>Journal Officiel de la République Française</i> (French Official Gazette)
KFOR	Kosovo Force
KGB	Committee for State Security (Russia)
LNTS	League of Nations Treaty Series
MERCOSUR	Mercado Común del Sur
MICT	United Nations International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals
MINURCA	United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic
MINUSCA	United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic
MINUSTAH	United Nations Stabilisation Mission in Haiti
MPEPIL	Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law
MPS	Metropolitan Police Service (UK)
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OAS	Organization of American States
OAU	Organization of African Unity
OBSEC	Organization of Black Sea Economic Cooperation
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OECS	Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States
OPCW	Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
OSCE	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
PCA	Permanent Court of Arbitration
PCIJ	Permanent Court of International Justice
PLO	Palestine Liberation Organization
PNG	<i>persona non grata</i>
PRC	People’s Republic of China

RBI	Reserve Bank of India
RECs	regional economic communities
RSAF	Royal Saudi Air Force
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SADR	Saharawi Arab Democratic Republic
SCO	Shanghai Cooperation Organization
SCSL	Special Court for Sierra Leone
SELA	Latin American and Caribbean Economic System
SHAPE	Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe
SIA	State Immunity Act
SICA	<i>Sistema de la Integración Centroamericana</i> (Central American Integration System)
SOE	State-owned enterprises
SOFA	Status of Forces Agreement
SOMA	Status of Mission Agreement
TEU	Treaty of the European Union
TFEU	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union
TRIA	Terrorism Risk Insurance Act (United States)
UAE	United Arab Emirates
UEMOA	West African Monetary and Economic Union
UN	United Nations
UNASUR	Union of South American Nations/ <i>Unión de Naciones Suramericanas</i>
UNCITRAL	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
UNCSI	United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and Their Property
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEF	United Nations Emergency Forces
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNGA	United Nations General Assembly
UNICEF	United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund
UNIDROIT	International Institute for the Unification of Private Law
UNMIK	United Nations Mission in Kosovo
UNSC	United Nations Security Council
UNSG	United Nations Secretary-General
UNTAET	United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor
UNTS	United Nations Treaty Series
USC	Code of Laws of the United States
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
VCLT	Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties
VCCR	Vienna Convention on Consular Relations
VCDR	Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations
WEU	Western European Union
WHO	World Health Organization

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