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List of Abbreviations and Acronyms

ACP-RIU = African-Caribbean-Pacific-European Union
ACWL = Advisory Centre on WTO Law
HMFM = German Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices
CEO = Chief Executive Officer
DSM = Dispute Settlement Mechanism
DSU = Dispute Settlement Understanding
EU = European Union
GATT = General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GDP = Gross Domestic Product
ICFSD = International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development
IKEC = International Kava Executive Council
IRB = Internal Review Board
LDC = Least-developed Country
LNG = Liquefied Natural Gas
MSG = Melanesian Spearhead Group
PNG = Papua New Guinea
RCOI = Royal Commission of Inquiry
SDT = Special and Differential Treatment
SPIN = South Pacific Island Nation
SCM = Subsidies and Countervailing Measures
UA = University of Arizona
USA = United States of America
USTR = United States Trade Representative
UNDP = United Nations Development Programme
WTO = World Trade Organization