

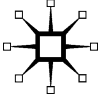
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# Abbreviations

AusAID	Australian Agency for International Development
CCP	Chinese Communist Party
CCPPU	China Council for the Promotion of Peaceful Unification
CDB	China Development Bank
CPAFFC	Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries
CPPCC	Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
CRS	Congressional Research Service
DPP	Democratic Progressive Party
EEZ	exclusive economic zone
EU	European Union
FAS	freely associated states
FDI	foreign direct investment
FSM	Federated States of Micronesia
FTA	free trade agreement
GDP	gross domestic product
GNP	gross national product
KMT	Kuomintang
MFAT	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
MP	Member of Parliament
NPC	National People's Congress
NZ	New Zealand
NZAID	New Zealand Agency for International Development
ODA	official development assistance
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
PALM	Pacific Islands Leaders Meeting
PC	Pacific Community
PICs	Pacific island countries
PIF	Pacific Islands Forum
PLA	People's Liberation Army

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PLAN	PLA Navy
PNG	Papua New Guinea
PPCC	People's Political Consultative Conference
PRC	People's Republic of China
ROC	Republic of China (Taiwan)
SPC	South Pacific Commission
SPF	South Pacific Forum
SPRFMO	South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization
SPTO	South Pacific Tourism Organization
WHO	World Health Organization