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List of Abbreviations

ABM - Anti-ballistic Missile

ACDA - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency

AD - Assured Destruction (M- Mutual)

AEC - Atomic Energy Commission

AEE - Atomic Energy Establishment

AHF – Advanced Hydrotest Facility

ALCM - Air Launched Cruise Missile

ANUCO - Anurag Co-processor

APC - Armoured Personnel Carrier

ARF - Asian Regional Forum

ASCI - Accelerated Strategic Computing Initiative

ASEAN - Association of South East Asian Nations

ASLV - Advanced Satellite Launch Vehicle

ASQR - Air Staff Quantitative Requirements

ASW - Anti-submarine Warfare

ASWAC - Airborne Warning and Control System (India)

AWACS - Airborne Warning and Control System (USA)

BARC - Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

BMD - Ballistic Missile Defence

BNSP - Basic National Security Policy

C3I - Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence

CAVTS - Combined Acceleration and Vibration Testing System

CBM - Confidence Building Measures

CBW - Chemical and Biological Warfare

CENTO - Central Treaty Organisation

CEO - Chief Executive Officer.

CEP - Constant Error Probability

CIA - Central Intelligence Agency (USA)

CIRUS - Canada, India, US Reactor

CJCS - Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (USA)

CORA - A Swiss engineering company

COSC - Chiefs of Staff Committee (India)

CPI - Communist Party of India

CPWD - Central Public Works Department

Cray - Name of the Inventor of the CRAY Computer

CSIR - Council for Scientific and Industrial Research

CSS - Nato Designation for Chinese DF Rockets

CTBT - Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty

CWC - Chemical Warfare Convention

DAE - Department of Atomic Energy

DARHT - Dual Axis Radiographic Hydrodynamic Test Facility

DEFCON – Defence Condition

DEW - Distant Early Warning

DGMO - Director General Military Operations

DGS&D - Director General, Supplies and Development

DIPAC - Defence Image Processing and Analysis Centre

DOD - Department of Defence

DPRK - Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea

DRDO - Defence Research and Development Organisation

ECM - Electronic Counter Measures

ELF – Extremely Low Frequency

EMP – Electro-magnetic Pulse

EU - European Union

FBR – Fast Breeder Reactor

FBTR - Fast Breeder Test Reactor

FMCT - Fissile Material Cut-off Treaty

FMT – Fissile Material Treaty

FR – Flexible Response

GDP - Gross Domestic Product

GHQ - General Headquarters

GLCM - Ground Launched Cruise Missile

GLONAS - Global Navigation System

GSLV – Geo-stationery Satellite Launch Vehicle

GNP - Gross National Product

GPS – Global Positioning System

GSQR – General Staff Quantitative Requirement (army subcontinent)

GZ - Ground Zero

HE - High Explosive

HF - High Frequency

HNS – Host Nation Support

HOB – Height of Burst

HTPB - Hydroxyl Terminated Polybutadienne

IAC – Indian Airlines Corporation

IAEA - International Atomic Energy Agency

IAF – Indian Air Force

IBL - International Boundary Line

ICBM – Inter-continental Ballistic Missile

IDA - International Development Authority

IDSA - Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis (India)

IEWS - Indian Early Warning System

IGCAR - Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research

IGMDP - Integrated Guided Missile Development Plan (India)

IISS - International Institute of Strategic Studies (UK)

IMET - International Military Education and Training (US sponsored)

IMF – International Monetary Fund

INCOSPAR - Indian National Committee for Space Research

INF - Intermediate Nuclear Forces

INSAT – Indian Satellite

INTCORCOM - Intelligence Coordination Committee

IPKF - Indian Peace Keeping Force

IRBM - Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile

IREL - Indian Rare Earths Limited

ISI – Inter-services Intelligence

J&K – Jammu & Kashmir

JCS – Joint Chiefs of Staff (USA)

JIC - Joint Intelligence Committee (India)

JL 2 – Julang 2: A Chinese missile

JSOP - Joint Strategic Operational Plan

JSTPS - Joint Strategic Target Planning Staff

KHz - Kilohertz

KMPH - Kilometres per Hour

kPa - Kilo Pascal

KT - Kiloton

LAC - Line of Actual Control (subcontinent)

LAN - Local Area Network

LCA - Light Combat Aircraft (India)

LCC - Launch Control Centre

LOC - Line of Control

MAPS - Multiple Point Aiming System

MBT - Main Battle Tank

MEA - Ministry of External Affairs

MFN - Most-favoured Nation

MFT – Missile Flight Time

MHz - Megahertz

MIRV - Multiple Independently Targeted Re-entry Vehicle

MM I/II - Minuteman I/II

MOD - Ministry of Defence

MPH - Miles per hour

MR - Maritime Reconnaissance

MRV - Multiple Re-entry Vehicle

MT – Megaton

MTBF - Mean Time Between Failures

MTCR - Missile Technology Control Require

MW - Megawatt

MX – Missile (x)

NAL - National Aeronautics Laboratory

NATO - North Atlantic Treaty Organisation

NCA - National Command Authority

NCP - National Command Post

NM – Nautical Miles

NNWS - Non-nuclear Weapons States

NPT – Non-proliferation Treaty

NSA - National Security Agency

NSC-68 – National Security Council (Document No. 68)

NSD - National Security Document

NSDD - National Security Decision Directive

NSR - Naval Staff Requirements

NTS - Nevada Test Site