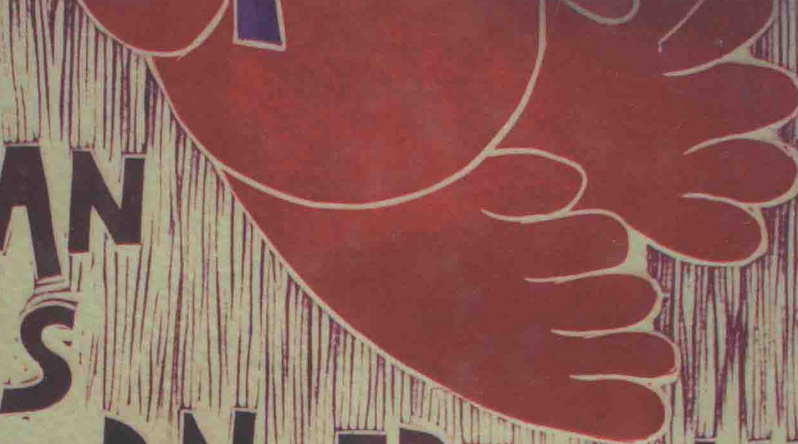


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TABLE OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACP countries	African, Caribbean, and Pacific Group of States
AfChHPR	African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights
AfCHPR	African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights
APRM	African Peer Review Mechanism
AU	African Union
AoA	Agreement on Agriculture
TRIPS	Agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property
AAA	American Anthropological Association
ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union
ACHR	American Convention on Human Rights
AFL	American Federation of Labor
AICHR	ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on Human Rights
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
BJP	Bharatiya Janata Party
BIT	Bilateral Investment Treaty
CELS	Center for Legal and Social Studies
CSVR	Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation
CAP	Collective Action Problem
CVR	Comisión de la Verdad y Reconciliación
COI	Commission of Inquiry
CSW	Commission on the Status of Women
CAT	Committee Against Torture
CM	Committee of Ministers
CESCR	Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CED	Committee on Enforced Disappearances
CMW	Committee on Migrant Workers
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
CERD Committee	Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

CoE	Council of Europe
CTC	Counter-Terrorism Committee
CFI	Court of First Instance
CJEU	Court of Justice of the European Union
DRC	Democratic Republic of the Congo
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ESC or ESCR	Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECtHR	European Court of Human Rights
ECJ	European Court of Justice
EU	European Union
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GA	General Assembly
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
HDI	Human Development Index
IP	Intellectual Property
IACHR	Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
IACtHR	Inter-American Court of Human Rights
IIHR	Inter-American Institute of Human Rights
IGO	Intergovernmental Organization
IAASTD	International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development
IALL	International Association for Labor Legislation
ICISS	International Commission on Intervention and State Sovereignty
ICRC	International Committee of the Red Cross
ICFTU	International Confederation of Trade Unions
ICJ	International Court of Justice
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
CPED	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances
CERD	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination
ICRMW	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

CRPD	International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
ICC	International Criminal Court
ICTY	International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia
IFRCRCs	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
IHRL	International Human Rights Law
IHL	International Humanitarian Law
ILO	International Labour Organization
IMF	International Monetary Fund
LDC	Least Developed Country
LOI	List of Issues
LOIPR	List of Issues Prior to Reporting
MERCOSUR	Mercado Común del Sur
MFN	Most Favored Nation
NAACP	National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples
PNC	National Civil Police Force
NHRC	National Human Rights Commission
NHRI	National Human Rights Institutions
NRC	National Research Center
UNITA	National Union for Total Independence of Angola
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OLA	Office of Legal Affairs
OPCAT	Optional Protocol to UNCAT
OHCHR	Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OSCE	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
OAU	Organization of African Unity
OAS	Organization of American States
OIC	Organization of Islamic Cooperation
PACE	Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
PCIJ	Permanent Court of International Justice
PoC	Protection of Civilians
RIAA	Reports of International Arbitral Awards
RUDs	Reservations, Understandings, and Declarations
R2P	Responsibility to Protect
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation

SADC	Southern African Development Community
SCSL	Special Court for Sierra Leone
SP	Special Procedure
SPT	Sub-Committee on Prevention of Torture
TOR	Terms of Reference
UNDG	UN Development Group
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UNCHR	United Nations Commission on Human Rights
UNCESCR	United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNCAT	United Nations Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
CRC	United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
UNGA	United Nation General Assembly
HRC	United Nations Human Rights Committee
HRCouncil	United Nations Human Rights Council
ILC	United Nations International Law Commission
UNOCI	United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire
UNRISD	United Nations Research Institute for Social Development
UNSC	United Nations Security Council
US	United States
USD	United States Dollar
SCOTUS	United States Supreme Court
UDHR	Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UPR	Universal Periodic Review
VCLT	Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties
WGHR	Working Group on Human Rights
WB	World Bank
WHA	World Health Assembly
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
WWI	World War I

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