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AAA—Affirmative Action
AACC—All African Conference of Churches
AAEEO—Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity
AAHP—American Association of Health Plans
AAR/SBL—American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature
ABM—Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty
ABP— Affiliated Benefits Program
ACC—Advisory Committee on the Constitution
ACCC—Advisory Committee on Churchwide Compensation
ACEIR—Advisory Committee on Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations
ACER—Advisory Committee on Ecumenical Relations
ACLU—American Civil Liberties Union
ACMED—American Coalition for Middle East Dialogue
ACOHRM—Advisory Committee on Human Resources Management
ACREC—Advocacy Committee for Racial Ethnic Concerns
ACROSS—Association of Christian Resource Organizations Serving Sudan
ACSWP—Advisory Committee on Social Witness Policy
ACT—Action by Churches Together
ACWC—Advocacy Committee for Women’s Concerns
ADA—Americans with Disabilities Act
ADNA—Advisory Network for Africa
ADR—Alternative Dispute Resolution
AFC—Asian Female Clergy
AFCD—Asian Female Clergy Disabled
AFDL—Alliance of Democratic Forces for the Liberation of the Congo (French)
AFL—Asian Female Layperson
AFLD—Asian Female Layperson Disabled
AFLY—Asian Female Layperson Youth
AGOA—African Growth and Opportunity Act
AHPA—Association of Hispanic Presbyterian Administrators
AICs— Africa-Initiated Churches
AID grants—Agency for International Development grants
AIDS/HIV—Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome/Human Immunodeficiency Virus

AIYC—American Indian Youth Council
AKKOR—Association of Peasants and Farmers
ALOE—Assessment and Leadership Opportunity Event
AMC—Asian Male Clergy
AMCD—Asian Male Clergy Disabled
AMEN—“All May Enter News”
AML—Asian Male Layperson
AMLD—Asian Male Layperson Disabled
AMLY—Asian Male Layperson Youth
ANC—African National Congress
APA—Administrative Personnel Association
APB—Affiliated Benefits Program
APCCM—Association of Presbyterians in Cross-Cultural Mission
APCE—Association of Presbyterian Church Educators
APCU—Association of Presbyterian Colleges and Universities
APEC—Asian Pacific Economic Council
APIMS—Association of Presbyterian Interim Ministry Specialists
APM—Antipersonnel Mine
APRODEH—Asociación Pro Derechos Humanos or Pro Human Rights Association
APT—Association of Presbyterian Tentmakers
APTS—Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary
ARCA—Alliance of Reformed Churches in Africa
ARENA—National Republic Alliance Party
ARP—Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
ASEAN—Association of South East Asian Nations
ATS—Association of Theological Schools
AUC—United Self-Defense Forces (in Colombia)
AW—Americas Watch

B

BAR—Board of Annuities and Relief (PCUS)
BFC—Black Female Clergy
BFCD—Black Female Clergy Disabled
BFL—Black Female Layperson
BFLD—Black Female Layperson Disabled
BFLY—Black Female Layperson Youth
BFW—Bread for the World
BJP—Bharatiya Janata Party (Indian People’s Party)

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BMC—Black Male Clergy

BMCD—Black Male Clergy Disabled

BML—Black Male Layperson

BMLD—Black Male Layperson Disabled

BMLY—Black Male Layperson Youth

BOP—Board of Pensions

BWC—Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction

C

CACC—Churchwide Administrative Coordinating Cabinet

CAFTA—Central America Free Trade Agreement

CAMP—Child Abuse Ministry Project

CAN—Child Advocacy Network

CANAAC—Caribbean and North American Area Council of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches

CANICCOR—California-Nevada Interfaith Committee on Corporate Responsibility

CAPHE—Consortium for the Advancement on Private Higher Education

CAPTA—U.S. Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act

CBS—Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics

CCA—Christian Conference in Asia

CCAP—Church of Central Africa Presbytery

CCE—Certified Christian Educator

CCEA—Christian Churches' Educational Association

CCER—Coordinating Committee for Ecumenical Relations

CCME—Churches' Commission for Migrants in Europe

CCPD—(World Council of Churches) Commission on the Churches' Participation Development

CCT—Christian Churches Together in the U.S.A. (National Council of Churches of Christ)

CCT/PW—Churchwide Coordinating Team of Presbyterian Women

CCW—Consultants for Christian Witness

CDC—Center for Disease Control

CDCC—Cooperative Disaster Child Care

CE—Council of Europe

CEC—Conference of European Churches

CEDAW—Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

CEDEPCA—Evangelical Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America

CELD—Christian Education and Leader Development

CELEP—Latin America Evangelical Center for Pastoral Studies

CEPAD—Evangelical Committee for Aid to Development

CERES—Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economics

CESCM—Council on Ecumenical Student Christian Ministry
CHAPA—Christian Health and Agricultural Project
CHR—Commission on Human Rights
CICARWS—(World Council of Churches) Commission on Interchurch Aid, Refugee, and World Service
CIF—Church Information Form
CIH—Christmas International House
CJO—Christmas Joy Offering
CLAI—Latin American Council of Churches
CLP—Commissioned Lay Preachers
CMD—Congregational Ministries Division
CMDC—Congregational Ministries Division Committee
CMEP—Churches for Middle East Peace
CMP—Congregational Ministries Publishing
CNDD-FDD—Conseil National pour la Défense de la Démocratie—Forces pour la Défense de la Démocratie (Burundi)
CNDH—National Commission of Human Rights (Mexico)
COBRA—Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
COCU—Consultation on Church Union
COGA—Committee on the Office of the General Assembly
COHE—Committee on Higher Education
COLIC—Constitutional and Legal Issues Committee
COM—Committee on Ministry
COMANO—Community Ministries and Neighborhood Organization
CONA—Christian Obedience in a Nuclear Age
CoNAM—Council on Native American Ministries
COR—Committee on Representation
CORA—Commission on Religion in Appalachia
COTE—Committee on Theological Education
CPC—Cumberland Presbyterian Church
CPCA—Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America
CPI— Churchwide Compensation Information
CPJ—Committee for the Protection of Journalists
CPK—Communaute Presbyterienne de Kinshasa
CPM—Committee on Preparation for Ministry
CPS—Current Population Surveys
CPZa—Communate Presbyterienne au Zaire
CRC—Church-Related Colleges; also, Convention on the Rights of the Child
CRESC—Committee on Racial Ethnic Schools and Colleges
CSO—Central Selling Organization
CTBT—Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty

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CTC—Counter Terrorism Committee
CVS—Chorionic Villi Sampling
CVT—Christian Volunteers in Thailand
CWC—Committee on Women of Color
CWM—Council of World Mission
CWME—Commission on World Mission and Evangelism
CWS—Church World Service
CWSW—Church World Service and Witness
CWT—Chemical Weapons Treaty
CWU—Church Women United

D

DAGA—Documentation for Action Groups in Asia
DART—Direct Action and Research Training
DECC—Disciples Ecumenical Consultative Council
DHWMV—Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles in Florida
DIF—National System for Integral Development of the Family (Mexico)
DOP—Declaration of Principles
DOV—Decade to Overcome Violence
DPP—Democratic Progressive Party
DPRK—Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea
DPS—Diversified Pharmaceutical Services
DRMC—Dutch Reformed Mission Church
DU—Depleted Uranium

E

EAPPI—Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel
EC—European Community
ECA—Economic Commission for Africa
ECD—Education, Communication, and Discipleship Unit (of the NCCC) also Evangelism and Church Development program area (of the General Assembly)
ECCN—Ecumenical Child-Care Network
ECEE—Ecumenical Church Educators Event
ECFA—Evangelical Council on Financial Accountability
ECLOF—Ecumenical Church Loan Fund
ECO—Extra Commitment Opportunities
ECOSOC—Economic and Social Council (United Nations)
ECOWAS—French and Economic Community of West African States

ECPAT—End Child Prostitution in Asian Tourism
ECVAC—Endorsers Council for Veterans Affairs Chaplaincy
EDCS—Ecumenical Development Cooperative Society
EDI—Ecumenical Development Initiative
EDYN—European Diaconal Year Network
EECMY—Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus
EEO—Equal Employment Opportunity
EFMA—Evangelical Foreign Missions Association
ELCA—Evangelical Lutheran Church of America
ELLC—English Language Liturgical Consultation
ELN—National Liberation Army (Colombia)
EME—Ecumenical Ministries in Education
ENI—Ecumenical News International
EPA—Environmental Protection Agency
EPC—Eglise Presbyterienne Camerounaise
EPRDF—Ethiopian People’s Revolutionary Democratic Front
EPRUS—Ecumenical Program for Urban Service
ERID—European Roma Information Office
ERRC—European Roma Rights Center
ESL—English as a Second Language
EST—Ecumenical Staff Team
EU—European Union
EWM—Evangelische Missionswerk in Deutschland
EWSF—Ecumenical Women’s Solidarity Fund
EZLN—Zapatista Army of National Liberation (in Mexico)

F

FACE—Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act
FACTT—Foundation for Accountability
FAO—(United Nations) Food and Agriculture Organization
FAP—Fondation pour l’Aide au Protestantisme Réformé
FARC—Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia
FAS—Financial Aid for Studies Office
FBI—Federal Bureau of Investigation
FDN—Presbyterian Foundation
FEETS—Evangelical Faculty of Theological Studies
FERDE—Spanish Federation of Evangelical Churches
FGM—Female Genital Mutilation

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FICA—Federal Insurance Contributions Act
FIEC—Fraternity of Costa Rican Evangelical Churches
FMLN—National Liberation Front
FNL—Forces Nationales de Libération (Burundi)
FOCA—Freedom of Choice Act
FPL—Federal Poverty Level
FRAPH—Front for the Advancement and Progress of Haiti
FRG—Federal Republic of Germany; also Guatemalan Republican Front
FSLN—Sandinista Front for National Liberation (Nicaragua)
FTAA—Free Trade Area of the Americas
FWCF—Fourth World Conference on Women
fYROM—former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

G

G-8—Group of Eight (summit of industrial powers)
GA—General Assembly
GAAP—Generally Accepted Accounting Principles
GAC—General Assembly Council
GACOR—General Assembly Committee on Representation
GALZ—Gays and Lesbians of Zimbabwe
GANC—General Assembly Nominating Committee
GAPJC—General Assembly Permanent Judicial Commission
GATT—General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GDP—Gross Domestic Product
GDR—German Democratic Republic
GIFT—Gamete Intrafallopian Transfer
GMIM—Gereja Masehi Injili di Minahasa
GMO—Genetically Modified Organisms
GNP—Gross National Product
GOBI strategy—Growth monitoring; Oral rehydration therapy; Breast feeding for nutrition; and Immunization against the preventable childhood diseases

H

HAE—Hunger Action Enabler
HCHR—High Commissioner for Human Rights (United Nations)
HDI—Human Development Index
HEMT/UMHE—Higher Education Ministries Team of United Ministries in Higher Education

HIV—Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HFC—Hispanic Female Clergy
HFCD—Hispanic Female Clergy Disabled
HFL—Hispanic Female Layperson
HFLD—Hispanic Female Layperson Disabled
HFLY—Hispanic Female Layperson Youth
HIPAA—Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996
HIPC—Heavily Indebted Poor Countries
HMC—Hispanic Male Clergy
HMCD—Hispanic Male Clergy Disabled
HML—Hispanic Male Layperson
HMLD—Hispanic Male Layperson Disabled
HMLY—Hispanic Male Layperson Youth
HMO—Health Maintenance Organization
HR—Human Rights
HRRFAIT—Human Rights and Religious Freedom Abroad Initiative Team

I

IACHR—Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
IAEA—International Atomic Energy Agency
IANSA—International Action Network on Small Arms
ICBM—Intercontinental Ballistic Missile
ICCO—Interchurch Organization for Development Cooperation
ICCPR—International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICCR—Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility
ICESCR—International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights
ICN—Interchurch Committee for Northern Ireland
ICPD—International Conference on Population and Development
ICRC—International Committee of the Red Cross
ICWA—Indian Child Welfare Act
IDEA—International Designs for Economic Awareness
IDF—Israeli Defense Force
IDP—Internally Displaced People
IECA—Evangelical Congregational Church in Angola
IERA—Evangelical Reformed Church of Angola
IGAD—Inter-Governmental Authority of Development
IHMO—International Health Ministries Office
ILO—International Labor Organization

RESOURCES

IMC—International Missionary Council
IMCA—Christian Medical Institute of the Kasai
IMF—International Monetary Fund
INR—U.S. Bureau of Intelligence and Research
INS—(United States) Immigration and Naturalization Service
INSTRA—International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women
IPA—Independent Practice Association HMO's
IPAR— Presbyterian Associate Reformed Church (Mexico)
IPB—Presbyterian Church of Brazil
IPEN—International Presbyterian Education Network
IPIB—Independent Presbyterian Church of Brazil
IRCA—Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986
IRCR—International Commission of the Red Cross
IRRC—Investor Responsibility Research Center
ISAF— International Security Assistance Force
ISU—Industry Support Unit
IVF—In Vitro Fertilization
IYWIP—International Year for the World's Indigenous People

J

JED—Joint Educational Development
JFW—Justice for Women
JMC—Joint Military Commission
JOBS—Job Opportunities and Basic Skills
JSAC—Joint Strategy and Action Committee
JW—Jehova Witnesses

K

DP—Kurdistani Democratic Party
KASE—Korean American Student Empowerment
KAYALC—Korean American Young Adult Leadership Coalition
KRCSG—Kurdish Refugees Church Support Group

L

LEA—Leadership Effectiveness Analysis
LDC—Least Developed Countries
LEI—Literacy and Evangelism International

LPRP—Lao People’s Revolutionary Party
LRA—Lord’s Resistance Army
LURD—Liberians United for Reconciliation and Democracy
LWF—Lutheran World Federation

M

MAI—Multilateral Agreement on Investments
MATS—Master of Arts in Theological Studies
MBF—Medical Benevolence Foundation
MCA—Millennium Challenge Account
MCE—Ministries in Christian Education
MCPI—Movement Patriotique de Côte d’Ivoire
M/CW—Mission Coworker
MDRC—Mission Development Resources Committee
MECC—Middle East Council of Churches
MENA—Middle East and North Africa
MGB—Middle Governing Bodies
MHE—Ministries in Higher Education
MINUGUA—United Nations Human Rights Monitoring Team
MIP—Mission Interpretation and Promotion (Congregational Ministries Division)
MODEL—Movement for Democracy in Liberia
MOSOP—Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People
MMP—Mary Magdalene Project
MPB—Presbyterian Mission of Brazil
MRA—Migration and Refugee Assistance
MRTI—Mission Responsibility Through Investment
MS—Mission Specialist
MSS—Mission Support Services (formally TAFO—Technology and Finance Office)
MTQ—Managing Total Quality
MUC—Ministry Unit Committee
MUI—Metro Urban Ministries Institute
MWC—International Convention on the Protection of Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

N

NAACP—National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
NACC—Native American Consulting Committee
NACUC—National Association of College and University Chaplains
NAE—National Association of Evangelicals

RESOURCES

NAES—National Association of Ecumenical Staff
NAFC—Native American Female Clergy
NAFCD—Native American Female Clergy Disabled
NAFL—Native American Female Layperson
NAFLD—Native American Female Layperson Disabled
NAFLY—Native American Female Layperson Youth
NAFTA—North American Free Trade Agreement
NAICU—National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
NAMC—Native American Male Clergy
NAMCD—Native American Male Clergy Disabled
NAML—Native American Male Layperson
NAMLD—Native American Male Layperson Disabled
NAMLY—Native American Male Layperson Youth
NAPC—National Asian Presbyterian Caucus
NAPS—National Association of Presbyterian Scouters
NASAG—North American Securities Administrators Guidelines
NATA—Native American Theological Association
NATEC—Native American Theological Education Consortium
NATO—North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NBPC—National Black Presbyterian Caucus
NCAMP—National Coalition Against the Use of Pesticides
NCCC—National Council of the Churches of Christ (also NCC)
NCCR—National Council of Churches in Korea
NCD—New Church Development
NCMA—National Campus Ministry Association
NCMAF—National Conference on Ministry to the Armed Forces
NCOORD—National Coordinating Office on Refugees and Displaced of Guatemala
NCQA—National Committee for Quality Assurance
NCTC—New Covenant Trust Company N.A.
NECC—New Earth Covenant Community
NePAD—New Program for Africa's Development
NGISC—National Gambling Impact Study Commission
NGO—Non-Governmental Organization
NHCA—Nursing Home Care Assistance
NHPC—National Hispanic Presbyterian Caucus
NICs—Newly Industrialized Countries
NIH—National Institute of Health
NIWG—Northern Island Working Group
NLD—National League for Democracy (Burma/Myanmar)

NMD—National Ministries Division; also National Missile Defense System
NMEPC—National Middle Eastern Presbyterian Caucus
NNPCW—National Network of Presbyterian College Women
NPCM—National Presbyterian Church of Mexico
NPT—Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty
NPYMC—National Presbyterian Youth Ministry Council
NRA—National Rifle Association
NRSV—New Revised Standard Version (of Bible)
NSCC—New Sudan Council of Churches
NTPYAC—National Taiwanese Presbyterian Young Adult Coalition
NVOAD—National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters
NVRA—National Voter Registration Act of 1993
NWI—Networking and World Information, Inc.

O

OAS—Organization of American States
OAU— Organization of African Unity
OCC— Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
ODA—Official Development Aid
OECD—Organization for Economic Development
OGA—Office of the General Assembly
OGHS—One Great Hour of Sharing
OHP—Oregon Health Plan
OIP— UN’s Office of Iraq program
OIS—Office Information Services
OPEC—Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries
OPT— Occupied Palestinian Territories
OSCE—Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

P

PAC—Personnel Advisory Committee
PACSCL—Philadelphia Area Consortium of Special Collections Libraries
PACT—People Acting for Community Together
PADVM— Presbyterians Against Domestic Violence Network
PAN—Presbyterian Aids Network
PARO—Presbyterians Affirming Reproductive Options
PASPM—Presbyterian Association of Specialized and Pastoral Ministries
PASTCF—Presbyterian Association on Science, Technology, and the Christian Faith

RESOURCES

PASTE— Partnership Action Staff Team
PBS—Presbyterians for Biblical Sexuality
PCAN—Presbyterian Child Advocacy Network
PCBAA—Presbyterian Church Business Administrators Association
PCCA—Presbyterian College Chaplains Association
PCCCA—Presbyterian Church Camp and Conference Associates
PCCEC—Presbyteries Cooperative Committee on Examination of Candidates
PCCMP—Presbyterian Council for Chaplains and Military Personnel
PCIS—Presbyterian Church in Sudan
PCK—Presbyterian Church of Korea
PCM—Presbyterian Church of Myanmar
PCMS—Presbyterian Center for Mission Studies
PCOS—Presbyterian Church of Sudan
PCPCU— Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity
PCT—Presbyterian Church in Taiwan
PCUS—Presbyterian Church in the United States (formerly located in Atlanta)
PC(USA)—Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
PDC—Presbyterians for Disability Concerns\also Presbyterian Disabilities Caucus
PDI—Indonesian Democratic Party
PDRF—Presbyterians for Democracy and Religious Freedom
PDS—Presbyterian Distribution Services
PEP—Presbyterian Elders in Prayer
PFF—Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship
PFII—Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
PFLP— Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine
PFR—Presbyterians for Renewal
PGI—Communion of Churches in Indonesia
PHCS—Private Healthcare Systems, Inc.
PHEWA—Presbyterian Health, Education, and Welfare Association
PHN—Presbyterian Health Network
PHP—Presbyterian Hunger Program
PIF—Personal Information Form
PIIR—Presbyterian Institute of Industrial Relations
PILP—Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Investment and Loan Program, Inc.
PIMM—People in Mutual Mission
PIMS—Presbyterian Information Management System
PJC—(General Assembly) Permanent Judicial Commission
PJU—Prophetic Justice Unit (of NCC)
PKK—Turkish Resistance Group

PLC—Presbyterian Lay Committee; also Constitutional Liberal Party (Nicaragua)
PLGC—Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns
PLO—Palestine Liberation Organization
PLR—Private Letter Ruling
PLSE—Presbyterian Pastoral Leadership Search Effort
PMC—Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Mortgage Corp.
PMHE—Presbyterian Ministers in Higher Education
PMM—Presbyterian Media Mission
PMMF—Presbyterian Medical Mission Fund
PNAODA—Presbyterians Network on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse
PNC—Pastor Nominating Committee; also National Civilian Police (in El Salvador)
PNG—Papua New Guinea
POAMN—Presbyterian Older Adult Ministry Network
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POWE—Presbyterian Order for World Evangelization
PPA—Presbyterian Pan American School
PPC—Presbyterian Publishing Corporation; also Presbyterians Pro Choice
PPF—Presbyterian Peace Fellowship
PPL—Presbyterians Pro Life
PPO—Preferred Provider Organization
PPP—Presbyterian Peacemaking Program
PRAF—Program of Family Assistance
PRC—People’s Republic of China
PRECIS—Presbyterian Restricted Endowment Compliance Information System
PREM—Presbyterian and Reformed Educational Ministry
PRI—Institutional Revolutionary Party (Mexico)
PRM—Presbyterian Renewal Ministries
PRRMI—Presbyterian and Reformed Renewal Ministries International
PSCE—Presbyterian School of Christian Education
PSMIN—Presbyterian Serious Mental Illness Network
PSST III—Presbyterian Student Strategy Team III
PTBT—Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapons Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space, and Under Water
PUK—Patriotic Union of Kurdistan
PULSE—People United to Lead the Struggle for Justice
PUNO—Presbyterian United Nations Office
PW—Presbyterian Women
PWAs—Persons with AIDS
PYC—Presbyterian Youth Connection; also Presbyterian Youth Council

Q

QRC—Quadrennial Review Committee

R

RAANB—“Russian Agriculture: A New Beginning”

RB—Related Bodies

RCA—Reformed Church in America

RCAR—Religious Coalition for Abortion Rights

RCD—Congolese Rally for Democracy

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCRC—Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (formerly RCAR)

RCJ—Reformed Church in Japan

REC—Reformed Ecumenical Council

REI/ECGR—Racial Ethnic Immigrant/Evangelism Church Growth Report

REM—Racial Ethnic Ministries (NMD)

RENAMO—Mozambican National Resistance

RESC—Racial Ethnic Schools and Colleges

REYYAL—Racial Ethnic Youth and Young Adult Leadership

RFRA—Religious Freedom Restoration Act

RLIN—Research Libraries Information Network

RLPA—Religious Liberty Protection Act

RLUIPA—Religious Land Use and Institutional Persons Act

RMS—Republic of South Moluccu

RMST—Rural Ministry Support Team

ROD—Reformed Order of Discipleship

RUF—Revolutionary United Front

RWP—Reporters Without Borders

S

SAC—Stewardship and Communication Ministry Unit

SACC—South African Council of Churches

SADC—Southern African Development Community

SA/LW—Small Arms and Light Weapons

SARS—Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome

SC—Security Council of the United Nations

SCM—Student Christian Movement
 SCR/NC—Stated Clerk Review/Nomination Committee
 SCUPE—Seminary Consortium of Urban Pastoral Education
 SDOP—Self-Development of People
 SDQ—Strategic Directions Questionnaire
 SEAVIMs—Southeast Alaska Volunteers in Mission
 SEC—Securities and Exchange Commission
 SEIC—Study to Enrich Inquirers and Candidates
 SFTS—San Francisco Theological Seminary
 SG—Secretary General of the United Nations
 SISTERS—Sisters in Solidarity Transforming Economic Realities
 SISTERS—Sisters in Solidarity to Eliminate Racism and Sexism
 SLA—South Lebanon Army
 SLORC—State Law and Order Restoration Council (Myanmar [Burma])
 SLR—Supplemental Liturgical Resources
 SOFA—Status of Forces Agreement (Between Korean government and U.S. Forces in Korea)
 SORTF—Special Offerings Review Task Force
 SoW— Sameu op Weg: i.e. “Together on the Way”
 SPEC—Sudan Presbyterian Evangelical Church
 SPL—Stewardship of Public Life
 SPLM/A—Sudanese People’s Liberation Movement/Army
 SR—Special Rapporteur (United Nations)
 SS—Support Services
 SSIM/A—South Sudan Independence Movement Army
 STD—Sexually Transmitted Disease
 SwFr—Swiss Franc

T

TAFO—Technology and Finance Office (now MSS—Mission Support Services)
 TAI—Technological Achievement Index
 TANF—Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
 TEE—Theological Education by Extension
 TEF—Theological Education Fund (1% Plan)
 TEFL—Teacher of English as a Foreign Language
 TESEF—Theological Schools Endowment Fund
 TESL—Teacher of English as a Second Language
 TNI—Tentara Nasional Indonesia (military forces)
 TSADS—Theological Student Advisory Delegates

RESOURCES

U

U&R—Unity and Relationships (NCC)
UBCHEA—United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia
UBS—Union Bank of Switzerland
UCC—United Churches of Christ
UCCP—United Church of Christ in the Philippines
UCR—usual, customary, and reasonable allowance
UDHR—Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UDTS—University of Dubuque Theological Seminary
UFMC—Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Churches
UMHE—United Ministries in Higher Education
UMPH—United Methodist Publishing House
UMST—Urban Ministry Support Team
UN—United Nations
UNCED—United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCHR—United Nations Commission on Human Rights
UNDP—United Nations Development Programme
UNEP—United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO—United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
UNFCCC—United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
UNFPA—United Nations Population Fund
UNGA—United Nations General Assembly
UNIFEM—United Nations Development Fund for Women
UNGASS—UN General Assembly Special Session
UNGASS-C—United Nations General Assembly Special Session on Children
UNHCR—United Nations High Commissioner on Refugees
UNICEF—United Nations Children’s Fund
UNIFEM—United Nations Development Fund for Women
UNITA—Union for the Total Independence of Angola
UNHCR—United Nations High Commission for Refugees
UNRRA—United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration
UNRWA—United Nations Relief and Works Agency (for Palestine Refugees in the Near East)
UNTAC—United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia
UPCUSA—United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (formerly located in New York)
UPM—Urban Presbytery Network
UPPA—Urban Presbyterian Pastors Association
USAID—United States Agency for International Development

USCIS—United States Customs and Immigration Service
USDA—United States Department of Agriculture
USWG—Urban Strategy Work Group
UTC—Union of Campesino Workers

V

VAWA—Violence Against Women Act
VBH—Value Behavioral Health
VIM—Volunteers in Mission
VISN—Vision Interfaith Satellite Network
VRA—Voting Rights Act of 1965

W

WARC—World Alliance of Reformed Churches
WATER—Women’s Alliance for Theology, Ethics, and Ritual
WC—Women of the Church
WCAR—World Conference Against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia, and Related Intolerance
WCC—World Council of Churches
WDR—World Development Report
WEBC—Women Employed by the Church Committee
WFC—White Female Clergy
WFCD—White Female Clergy Disabled
WFD—World Food Day
WFL—White Female Layperson
WFLD—White Female Layperson Disabled
WFLY—White Female Layperson Youth
WHO—World Health Organization
WIC—(Supplemental Food Program for) Women, Infants, and Children
WIPP—Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
WISC—Washington Interreligious Staff Council
WMC—White Male Clergy
WMCD—White Male Clergy Disabled
WMD—Worldwide Ministries Division
WML—White Male Layperson
WMLD—White Male Layperson Disabled
WMLY—White Male Layperson Youth
WOA—Washington Office on Africa

RESOURCES

WREE—Women for Racial and Economic Equality

WSCF—World Student Christian Federation

WTO—Warsaw Treaty Organization

Y

YADS—Youth Advisory Delegates

YOC—Year of the Child

YWE—Year with Education

YWLA—Year with Latin Americans

YWS—Young Women Speak

Z

ZANU-PF—Zimbabwe African National Union-Patriotic Front