Abbreviations

AFPFL – Anti Fascist People’s Freedom League
ALO – Arakan Liberation Organization
ALP – Arakan Liberation Party
ASEAN – Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BCP – Burmese Communist Party
BDA – Burma Defence Army
BIA – Burma Independence Army
BNA – Burma National Army
BSPP – Burmese Socialist Programme Party
CPB – Communist Party of Burma
FACE – Frontier Areas Commission of Enquiry
KIA – Kachin Independence Army
KIO – Kachin Independence Organization
KKY – Local defence force, or homeguard
KMT – Kuomintang (Chinese nationalists)
KNDO – Karen National Defence Organization
KnaNPP – Karenni National Progress Party
KNLP (Padaung) – Kayan New Land Party
KNU – Karen National Union
KNUP – Karen National Union Party
MIS – Military Intelligence Service
MNSP – Mon New State Party
NDF – National Democratic Front
NDLF – National Democratic Liberation Front
NDUF – National Democratic United Front
NLA – Nationalities Liberation Alliance
NLUF – Nationalities Liberation United Front
OSS – Office of Strategic Services (U.S.)
PBF – Patriotic Burmese Forces
PDP – Parliamentary Democracy Party
PVO – People’s Volunteer Organization
SCOUHP – Supreme Council of the United Hill Peoples
SEATO – Southeast Asian Treaty Organization
SNIA – Shan National Independence Army
SNUF – Shan National United Front
SSA – Shan State Army
SSA.E – Shan State Army East
SSIA – Shan State Independence Army
SSCC – Shan State Command Council
SSPP – Shan State Progress Party
SSWC – Shan State War Council
SUA – Shan United Army
SUPC – Shan Unity Preparatory Committee
SURA – Shan United Revolutionary Army
TNA – Tailand National Army
TRA – Thailand Revolutionary Army
TRC – Tai Revolutionary Council
UNDF – United Nationalities Democratic Front
UMP – Union Military Police (paramilitary police)
**Glossary**

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<td>Chao Haw Khan</td>
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<td>Chao Haw Seng or Chao Wong (Shan)</td>
<td>emperor</td>
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<td>Chaofa (Shan)</td>
<td>“Lord of the Sky” (prince); <em>Sawbwa</em> in Burmese</td>
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<td>Chaofa Luang</td>
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<td>Farang (Thai)</td>
<td>white-skinned (foreigner/westener)</td>
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<td>Haw (Shan)</td>
<td>palace</td>
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<td>a tiger; in ancient times, names of kings of princes as, for example, Chao Hso-khan Hpa, but nowadays adopted by military leaders</td>
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<td>heir apparent to the Chaofa</td>
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<td>Khunmuang</td>
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<td>Mahadevi</td>
<td>Shan title for Chief Consort or Queen</td>
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<td>Muang (Shan)</td>
<td>Town or urban centre; sometimes spelled “Mong”</td>
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Noom Suk Harn (Shan)  – “Brave Young Warriors” (the first resistance group)
Poy (Shan)  – a fiesta or celebration; pwe in Burmese
Pyithusit (Burmese)  – village militia organized by the Burmese army
Sai (Shan)  – a boy or young man; also for addressing a young male
Sala (Shan) or zayat (Burmese)  – pavilion on monastery grounds
Sanad  – grants bestowed upon the Burmese by the British
Saw  – Karen form of address for an adult male
Thakin (Burmese)  – master
U (Burmese)  – form of address to an adult male
Zat-pwe (Burmese)  – opera