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List of Abbreviations

AFL-CIO American Federation of Labor and Congress of

Industrial Organizations

ACTPN Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and

Negotiations

Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) **AFTA**

Free Trade Area

AmCham American Chamber of Commerce

ANZUS Australia - New Zealand - United States security

treaty

APEC Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation

ARF **ASEAN Regional Forum**

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations ASEAN-10 The original ten members of ASEAN **BRIC**

Brazil, Russia, India, and China

CAFTA-DR Central America - Dominican Republic - United

States Free Trade Agreement

CCS Competition Commission of Singapore CIEL Center for International Environmental Law **CRS** Congressional Research Service (United States)

CU **Customs Union**

Canada - United States Free Trade Area CUSFTA

DBS Development Bank of Singapore DPJ Democratic Party of Japan

EAS East Asia Summit

EDS express delivery service EIA economic integration area

EPA economic partnership agreement EPI export-promoting industrialization 264 List of Abbreviations

EU European Union

FDI foreign direct investment FPI foreign portfolio investment

FTA free trade agreement

FTAA Free Trade Agreement of the Americas

GAO Government Accountability Office (United States)

GATS General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

GDP gross domestic product

GLC government-linked corporation

GNI gross national income
GOS Government of Singapore

GSP Generalized System of Preferences

HLOG Honest Leadership and Open Government IBRD International Bank for Reconstruction and

Development

IMF International Monetary Fund
IPE International Political Economy
IPR intellectual property rights
IR International Relations

ISI (1) import substitution industrialization or import

substituting development

ISI (2) integrated sourcing initiative IT information technology

ITC International Trade Commission (United States)

ITO International Trade Organization

KORUS Korea - United States Free Trade Agreement

LAC Labor Advisory Committee
MAS Monetary Authority of Singapore

MERCOSUR Mercado Común del Sur (Argentina, Brazil,

Paraguay, and Uruguay)

MFA Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Singapore)

MNC multinational corporation

MTI Ministry of Trade and Industry (Singapore)
NAFTA North American Free Trade Agreement (Canada,

Mexico, and the United States)

NAS National Archives of Singapore NATO North Atlantic Treaty Organization

NTB non-tariff trade barrier

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OAS Organization of American States

PAC political action committee (United States)

PAP People's Action Party (Singapore)

PL Public Law

PLA People's Liberation Army

PS partial scope

R&D research and development

RTA regional trade agreement, regional trade area

SACU Southern African Customs Union SCO Shanghai Cooperation Organization SEATO Southeast Asian Treaty Organization

SEP strategic economic partnership

SOE state-owned enterprise

STR Special Trade Representative (United States)
TAA Trade Adjustment Assistance (United States)
TPA (1) Trade Promotion Authority of 2002 (United States)

TPA (2) trade promotion authority (United States)

TPP Trans-Pacific Partnership

TRIPS trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights

TVA Tennessee Valley Authority

UN United Nations

UNCTAD United Nations Conference on Trade and

Development

USAFTA United States - Australia Free Trade Agreement

USC U.S. Congress

USDoA U.S. Department of Agriculture USDoC U.S. Department of Commerce USDoD U.S. Department of Defense USDoS U.S. Department of State

USGAO U.S. Government Accountability Office (formerly

Government Accounting Office)

USITC U.S. International Trade Commission USNIC U.S. National Intelligence Council

USSFTA United States - Singapore Free Trade Agreement USTR U.S. Trade Representative; U.S. Office of Trade

Representative

WASP White Anglo-Saxon Protestant

WB World Bank

WTO World Trade Organization