

## ABBREVIATIONS AND KEY TERMS

969	Buddhist ethno-nationalist movement
AA	Arakan Army
ABS	Asian Barometer Survey
ABSDF	All Burma Students' Democratic Front
ALD	Arakan League for Democracy
ALP	Arakan Liberation Party
Amyotha Hluttaw	Upper House, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
ANFREL	Asian Network for Free Elections
ANP	<i>See</i> RNP
ANU	Australian National University
Arakan	<i>See</i> Rakhine
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
BAD	Border Areas Development
Bamar	<i>See</i> Burman
BGB	Border Guards Bangladesh
BGF	Border Guard Force, Myanmar
BSPP	Burma Socialist Programme Party
Burman	Majority ethnic group (or its language); also known as Bamar
CBO	Community-based organisation
CNF	Chin National Front
CPB	Communist Party of Burma

CRPP	Committee Representing the People's Parliament
CSO	Civil society organization
CTU	Constitutional Tribunal of the Union
DCA	DanChurchAid
DEMO	Democracy for Ethnic Minorities Organization
Dhamma	Buddhist conception of natural law
DKBA	Democratic Karen Benevolent Army
EAG	Ethnic armed group
GAD	General Administration Department
Hluttaw	<i>See</i> Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
IDEA	Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance
IDP	Internally displaced person
IFES	International Foundation for Electoral Systems
INGO	International non-government organisation
IRI	International Republican Institute
ISIS	Islamic State of Iraq and Syria
JMC	Joint Monitoring Committee
Kachin	Ethnic group, language or administrative area in northern Myanmar
Karen	<i>See</i> Kayin
Kayin	Ethnic group, language, or administrative area in eastern Myanmar; also known as Karen
KIA	Kachin Independence Army
KIO	Kachin Independence Organization
KNLA	Karen National Liberation Army
KNU	Karen National Union
KRSAN	Kaung Rwai Social Action Network
KWA	Kachin Women's Association
KWAT	Kachin Women's Association, Thailand
KWU	Kachin Women's Union
Kyat	Myanmar currency
Longgyi	Sarong
MaBaTha	[Committee for the Protection of] Race and Religion
MNDAA	Myanmar National Democratic Alliance Army
MPC	Myanmar Peace Center

Naypyitaw	Myanmar national capital; also Naypyidaw or Nay Pyi Taw
NCA	Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement
NCCT	Nationwide Ceasefire Coordination Team
NDAA	National Democratic Alliance Army
NDI	National Democratic Institute
NDSC	National Defence and Security Council
NED	National Endowment for Democracy, USA
NGO	Non-governmental organisation
NLD	National League for Democracy
OIC	Organisation of Islamic Cooperation
PDN	Parami Development Network
PNA	Pa-O National Army
PNLO	Pa-O National Liberation Organization
PNO	Pa-O National Organisation
Pyidaungsu Hluttaw	Union assembly
Pyithu Hluttaw	Lower House, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw
PYO	Pa-Oh Youth Organisation
Rakhine	Ethnic group, language, or administrative area in coastal western Myanmar; also known as Arakan
RCSS	Restoration Council of Shan State
RNDP	Rakhine Nationalities Development Party
RNP	Rakhine National Party (also known as Arakan National Party)
Rohingya	Ethnic group (or language) on coastal border of Bangladesh
RSO	Rohingya Solidarity Organisation
SAD	Self-Administered Division
Sayadaw	Abbot of a Buddhist monastery
SAZ	Self-Administered Zone
Shan	Ethnic group, language, or administrative area in hilly northeast Myanmar
SLORC	State Law and Order Restoration Council
SNDP	Shan Nationalities Democratic Party
SNLD	Shan Nationalities League for Democracy
SNLF	Shanland Nationalities Liberation Front
SPDC	State Peace and Development Council

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SSA /-N /-S	Shan State Army /-North /-South
SSNLO	Shan State Nationalities Liberation Organisation
SSNPLO	Shan State Nationalities People's Liberation Organisation
Tatmadaw	Myanmar armed forces
TNLA	Ta'ang National Liberation Army
UEC	Union Election Commission
UNFC	United Nationalities Federal Council
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UPCC	Union Peacemaking Central Committee
UPDJC	Union Political Dialogue Joint Committee
UPNO	Union Pa-O National Organisation
UPWC	Union Peacemaking Working Committee
USDA	Union Solidarity and Development Association
USDP	Union Solidarity and Development Party
UWSA	United Wa State Army
YSPS	Yangon School of Political Science