Abbreviations

AC/AO	Companion/Officer of the Order of Australia
ADC	Aide de camp
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
a.k.a.	also known as
ALP	Australian Labor Party
BAFTA	British Academy of Film and Television Arts
BBC	British Broadcasting Corporation
BEF	British Expeditionary Force
CC/OC	Companion/Officer of the Order of Canada
CCP	Chinese Communist Party
CERN	Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire
CH	Companion of Honour
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
C-in-C	Commander-in-Chief
CNRS	Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique
CPSU	Communist Party of the Soviet Union
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
DSO	Distinguished Service Order
EC	European Community
EIC	East India Company
EU	European Union
FAA	Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science
FBA	Fellow of the British Academy
FBI	Federal Bureau of Investigation
FRCP	Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
FRS	Fellow of the Royal Society
FRSA	Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts
GBE/ KBE/ DBE/ CBE	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of the British Empire
GCB/ KCB/CB	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Companion of the Order of the Bath
GCMG/ KCMG/ DCMG/ CMG	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George
GCSI/ KCSI/ CSI	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Order of the Star of India
GCVO/ KCVO/ DCVO/ CVO	Grand Cross/Knight Commander/ Dame Commander/Companion of the Royal Victorian Order
GOC	General Officer Commanding
ILO	International Labour Organization
KC/QC	King's/Queen's Counsel
KG/LG	Knight/Lady of the Order of the Garter
KGB	Committee of State Security (former USSR)
KP	Knight of St Patrick
KT	Knight of the Thistle
MEP	Member of the European Parliament
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MP	Member of Parliament
NASA	National Aeronautics and Space Administration
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OM	Order of Merit
PC	Privy Counsellor
RA	Royal Academician, London
RAF	Royal Air Force
SDP	Social Democratic Party
SI	International System of Units (Système international d'unités)
SPD	Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands
UK	United Kingdom
UN	United Nations
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
US(A)	United States (of America)
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
VC	Victoria Cross
WHO	World Health Organization

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