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List of Abbreviations

CHR	Chairman's Statement
COMP	HIPC Completion Point Document
DECP	HIPC Decision Point Document
DSA	Debt Sustainability Analysis
EPA	Ex-Post Assessment
FATF	Financial Action Task Force
FS	Factual Statement
FSSA	Financial System Stability Assessment
HIPC	Highly Indebted Poor Countries
I-PRSP	Interim-Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
JSAN	Joint Staff Advisory Note
LOI	Letter of Intent
MEFP	Memorandum on Economic and Financial Policy
MEP	Memorandum on Economic Policy
PIN	Public Information Notice
PPM	Post-Program Monitoring
PRSP	Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper
PSI	Policy Support Instrument
ROSC	Report on Observance of Standards and Codes
SMP	Staff-Monitored Program
TMU	Technical Memorandum of Understanding
UFR	Use of Fund Resources
WEO	World Economic Outlook