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ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

AMD	Advanced Micro Devices
BEA	Bureau of Economic Analysis
BIS	Bank for International Settlements
BOP	Balance of Payment
BPO	business process outsourcing
CAFTA	Central American Free Trade Agreement
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CEP	Centre for Economic Performance
CEPAL	Comision Economica para America Latina y el Caribe
CEPII	Centre d'Etudes prospectives et d'Informations Internationales
CEPR	Center for Economic Policy Research
CES	constant elasticity of substitution
CGE	Computable General Equilibrium
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CMEA	Council of Mutual Economic Assistance
CORE	Centre for Operations Research and Econometrics
CRS	constant returns to scale
EC	European Community
EEC	European Economic Community
EFTA	European Free Trade Area
EU	European Union
FAME	forecasting analysis and modeling environment
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FTA	Free Trade Agreement
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT	General Agreement on Tariff and Trade
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GNP	Gross National Product
GTAP	Global Trade Analysis Project
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IF	Integrated Framework
IFPRI	International Food Policy Research Institute
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IPRs	Intellectual Property Rights
IRS	increasing returns to scale
ISCED	International Standard Classification of Education
IT	Information Technology
ITC	International Trade Center
ITU	International Telecommunications Union
LDCs	Least-Developed Countries
MERCOSUR	Southern Common Market
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NES	National Election Studies
NESPD	New Earnings Survey Panel Dataset
NIEs	Newly Industrialized Economies
NTBs	Non-tariff barriers
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OEEC	Organization for European Economic Cooperation
OPEC	Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries
OSAs	Open Skies Agreements
PPP	purchasing power parity

R&D	Research and Development
RSIE	Research Seminar in International Economics
S&D	Special and differential treatment
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification
SOC	Standard Occupational Classification
SPS	Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures
SSRN	Social Science Research Network
STDF	Standards and Trade Development Facility
STP	Software Technology Parks
TAA	Trade Adjustment Assistance
TFP	total factor productivity
UK	United Kingdom
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
US	United States of America
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
USSR	Union of Socialist Soviet Republic
VAT	Value-Added Tax
WCO	World Customs Organization
WWI	First World War
WWII	Second World War

The following symbols are used in this publication:

...	not available
0	figure is zero or became zero due to rounding
-	not applicable
\$	United States dollars
€	euro
£	UK pound