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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS USED IN THE TEXT

Initials in the Text	Name and Initials in Spanish	Name in English (Translation)
AID	Agencia para el Desarrollo Internacional - ADI	Agency for International Development
BANDESA	Banco Nacional de Desarrollo Agrícola - BANDESA	National Bank for Agri- cultural Development
BANVI	Banco Nacional de la Vivienda - BANVI	National Housing Bank
CARE	Cooperativa Americana de Remesas al Exterior - CARE	Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere, Inc.
CRS	Servicios Católicos de Ayuda - CARITAS	Catholic Relief Services
COGUANOR	Comisión Guatemalteca de Normas- COGUANOR	Guatemalan Standards Commission
CONASUPO	Compañia Nacional de Sub- sistencias Populares - CONASUPO	National Company for Basic Necessities
CORFINA	Corporación Financiera Nacional-CORFINA	National Financing Corporation
EPS	Ejercicio Profesional Supervis- ado - EPS	Supervised Technical Uni- versity Exercise
FEER	Fondo Extraordinario Espécifico de Reconstrucción - FEER	Specific and Extraordinary Fund for Reconstruction
FHA	Instituto de Fomento de Hipotecas Aseguradas - FHA	Institute for the Promotion of Insured Mortgages
GG	Gobierno de Guatemala	Guatemalan Government
GSNCEP	Secretaría General del Consejo Nacional de Planificación Económica - SGCNPE	General Secretariat of the National Council for Economic Planning
GISS	Instituto Guatémalteco de Seguridad Social - IGSS	Guatemalan Institute for Social Security
GUATEL	Empresa Guatemalteca de Communicaciones - GUATEL	Guatemalan Enterprise for Communications

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ICAITI	Instituto Centroamericano de Investigación y Technologia Industrial - ICAITI	Central American Institute for Research and Industrial Technology
INDECA	Instituto Nacional de Commercial- ización Agrícola - INDECA	National Institute for Agricultural Commerciali- zation
INFOM	Instituto de Fomento Municipal- INFOM	Institute for Municipal Development
INTECAP	Instituto Técnico de Capacitación - INTECAP	Technical Training Institute
INS IVUMEH	Instituto de Sismólogia, Volcanólogia, Meteorólogia y Hidrólogia - INSIVUMEH	Institute of Seismology, Volcanology, Meteorology and Hydrology
NEC	Comité Nacional de Emergencia - CEN	National Emergency Committee
NGOs	Organizaciones No Gubernamentales - ONGs	Non-Government Organizations
NICU	Unidad de Cooperacion Nacional y Internacional - UCNI	National and International Cooperation Unit
NIE	Instituto Nacional de Electri- ficación - INDE	National Institute for Electricity
NIF	Instituto Nacional Forestal - NIF	National Institute of Forestry
NIG	Instituto Geográfico Nacional - IGN	National Institute of Geography
NRC	Comité de Reconstrucción Nacional - CRN	National Reconstruction Committee
OAS	Organización de Estados Americanos - OEA	Organization of American States
OXFAM	Comité de Oxford para Auxilio de Hambre	Oxford Committee for Famine Relief
PPIU	Unidad de Información, Programación y Planificación - UIPP	Planning, Programming and Information Unit
PRU	Unidad de Reconstrucción Fisica - URF	Physical Reconstruction Unit

Initials in the Text	Name and Initials in Spanish	Name in English (Translation
SPU	Unidad de Promoción Social - UPS	Social Promotion Unit
UNEPAR	Unidad Ejecutora y Planificadora de Acueductos Rurales - UNEPAR	Planning and Executive Unit for Rural Aquaducts
URPAC	Unidad de Rescate del Patrimonio Cultural - URPAC	Cultural Heritage Rescue Unit
USAC	Universidad de San Carlos	University of San Carlos

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