Acronyms





AEC	architectural, engineering, and construction
AID	Agency for International Development (U. S.)
ASST	Azienda di Stato per i Servizi Telefonici (Italy)
AT&T	American Telephone and Telegraph (Company)
ATM	Asynchronous Transfer Mode
ATM	Automated Teller Machine
BDT	Bureau of Telecommunications Development (ITU)
BEA	Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce
BOC	Bell operating company
BSI	BellSouth International
BT	British Telecom
CAD/CAM	computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing
CCITT	Consultative Committee for International Telephone and
	Telegraph, ITU
CEE	Central and Eastern Europe
CEETEC	Central and Eastern European Telecommunications Cooperative
	Mechanism
CEI	comparably efficient interconnection
CENTREX	central exchange
CEO	chief executive officer
CIP	Communications and Information Policy (Bureau of,
	U.S. Department of State)
CMEA	Council for Mutual Economic Assistance, or Comecon
COCOM	Coordinating Committee on Multilateral Export Control
CSI	Coalition of Service Industries
DRG	Directorate of Regulatory Affairs (France)
DSP	digital system processing (chips)
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
EC	European Community
EDI	electronic data interchange
EDS	Electronic Data Services, Inc.
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
ETSI	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
FCC	Federal Communications Commission (U. S.)
FLAG	Fiberoptic Link Around the Globe (NYNEX)
GATT	General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs
Gbps	billion bits per second
GEN	General European Network
GSDN	Global Switched Digital Network (AT&T)
GSM	Global System for Mobile (communications), Groupe Speciale
OTE	Mobile
GTE	General Telephone and Electronics
GVPN	Global Virtual Private Network (Sprint)
HTC	Hungarian Telecommunications Company
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ICA	International Communications Association

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IDC	International Digital Communications
WITS	International Digital Communications international message telephone services
INTUG	International Telecommunications Users Group
IRI	Instituto per la Ricostruzione Industrial (Italy)
ISAC	Industry Sector Advisory Committee
ISDN	Integrated Services Digital Network
ISO	International Standards Organization
ITA	International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce
ITU	International Trade Administration, 0.5. Department of Commerce International Telecommunication Union
IXS	
	interexchange carriers
kbps KDD	thousand bits per second Kokusai Denshin Denwa Co., Ltd.
LAN	local area network
LEC	local exchange carrier
MFJ	Modified Final Judgement
MFN	most favored nation (clause)
MAN	metropolitan area network
Mbps	million bits per second
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NARUC	National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissions
NREN	National Research and Education Network
NTIA	National Telecommunications and Information Administration,
	U.S. Department of Commerce
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
OMB	Office of Management and Budget (U. S.)
ONA	Open Network Architecture
ON?	Open Network Provision
OPIC	Overseas Private Investment Corporation
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
PBX	private branch exchange
PCN	Personal Communications Network
PCS	Personal Communications Services
POTS	"plain old telephone service"
PTO	public telephone operator
Pi-r	Postal, Telephone, and Telegraph (Administration)
PUC	Public Utility Commission
RBHC	regional Bell holding company
RBOC	regional Bell operating company
SEED	Support for Eastern European Democracies Act
SIP	Societa Italiana per l'Esercizio delle Telecommunicazioni (Italy)
SITA	Societe Internationale de Telecommunications Acronautiques
SMDS	Switched Multi-Megabit Data Service
SONET	Synchronous Optical Network
SS7	Signaling System 7
SWIFT	Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications
TCI	Telecommunications, Inc.

TPSC	Trade Policy Staff Committee (U. S.)
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Program
UPS	United Parcel Service
USTR	United States Trade Representative, Office of (U. S.)
VPN	virtual private network
VSAT	very small aperture terminal
WAN	wide area network