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## Acronyms

<b>ANJF</b>	Nicaraguan Alliance for Fiscal Justice (NAFJ): Alianza Nicaragüense por la Justicia Fiscal
<b>ALN</b>	Nicaraguan Liberal Alliance: Alianza Liberal Nicaragüense
<b>ANN</b>	Nicaraguan National Assembly (NNA): Asamblea Nacional de Nicaragua
<b>BAGSA</b>	The Agricultural and Livestock Exchange (ALE): Bolsa Agropecuaria de Nicaragua
<b>BCN</b>	Central Bank of Nicaragua: Banco Central de Nicaragua
<b>CENIS</b>	Negotiable Certificate of Investment
<b>COSEP</b>	Superior Council for the Private Enterprise (SCPE): Consejo Superior de la Empresa Privada
<b>CPC</b>	Citizen Power Councils
<b>CSJ</b>	Supreme Court of Justice (SCJ): Corte Suprema de Justicia
<b>DGP</b>	General Directorate of the Budget: Dirección General del Presupuesto
<b>EMNV</b>	Living Standards Measurement Survey (LSMS): Encuesta de Medición de Nivel de Vida
<b>FNT</b>	National Workers Front
<b>FSLN</b>	Sandinista National Liberation Front: Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product: Producto Interno Bruto (PIB)
<b>IEEPP</b>	Institute of Strategic Studies and Public Policy (ISSPP): Instituto de Estudios Estratégicos y Políticas Públicas
<b>IFI</b>	International Financial Institutions
<b>IMF</b>	International Monetary Fund: Fondo Monetario Internacional (FMI)
<b>INIET</b>	Nicaraguan Institute for Fiscal Studies and Research (NIFSR): Instituto Nicaragüense de Investigaciones y Estudios Tributarios
<b>JGRN</b>	National Government Reconstruction Board: Junta de Gobierno de Reconstrucción Nacional
<b>LCT</b>	Tax Concertation Law (TCL): Ley de Concertación Tributaria
<b>NGO</b>	Non-Governmental Organization: Organización No Gubernamental (ONG)
<b>PLC</b>	Constitutionalist Liberal Party: Partido Liberal Constitucionalista
<b>PNDH</b>	National Plan for Human Development (NPHD): Plan Nacional de Desarrollo Humano
<b>PRGF</b>	Poverty Reduction and Growth Facility
<b>SCT</b>	Selective Consumption Tax: Impuesto Selectivos de Consumo (ISC)
<b>VAT</b>	Value Added Tax: Impuesto al Valor Agregado (IVA)

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