Acronyms

A & P Airframe and Power plant

AAD Automatic Activation Device

AAI Airports Authority of India

ABM Anti-Ballistic Missile

AIAA American Institute of Astronautics and

Aeronautics

AMHS Aeronautical Message Handling System

ASAR Air-borne Synthetic Aperture Radar

ATC Air Traffic Control

AWTAR All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race

CAA Civil Aviation Authority

CBDE Carbonated Beverage Dispenser Evaluation

CCSDS Consultative Committee for Space Data

Systems

CEOS Committee on Earth Observation Satellites

CIA Central Intelligence Agency

COPUOS Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer

Space

COSPAR Committee on Space Research

COTS Commercial Orbital Transportation Systems

CPC Community Patent Convention

CTBT Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty

DGCA Director General of Civil Aviation

DMS Disaster Management Support System

DOS Department of Space

DTH Direct-to-Home

DTN Delay Tolerant Networking

DTNRG Delay Tolerant Networking Research Group

ECOSOC United Nations Economic and Social Council

ECSL European Centre for Space Law

EEC European Economic Community

EO Earth Observation

EPC European Patent Convention

EPO European Patent Office

ERS European Remote Sensing

ESA European Space Agency

EU European Union

Eumetsat European Organization for the Exploitation of

Meteorological Satellites

FAA Federal Aviation Administration

FAI Federation Aeronautique Internationale

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization

FBI Federal Bureau of Investigation

FDI Foreign Direct Investment

GA General Aviation

GATT General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

GDP Gross Domestic Product

GMES Global Monitoring for Environment and

Security

GPS Global Positioning System

GSLV Geo-Satellite Launch Vehicle

GSLV Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle

GSO Geostationary Orbit

GTO Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit

HEU Highly Enriched Uranium
HPA Human-Powered Aircraft

IAA International Academy of Astronautics

IADC Inter Agency Department Coordination

Committee

IADC Interagency Space Debris Coordination

Committee

IAEA International Atomic Energy Agency

IAF International Astronautical Federation

IATA International Air Transport Association

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

IGA Inter-Governmental Agreement

IGOS Integrated Global Observing Strategy

IISL International Institute of Space Law

IMF International Monetary Fund

IMO International Meteorology Organization

IMSD Integrated Mission for Sustainable

Development

INSAT Indian National Satellite System

INTELSAT International Telecommunications Satellite

Organization

IP Internet Protocol

IPR Intellectual Property Rights

IRA Irish Republican Army
IRS Indian Remote Sensing

ISFO International Space Flight Organisation

ISRO Indian Space Research Organisation

ISS International Space Station

ISTRAC Telemetry, Tracking and Command Network

ITU International Telecommunications Union

JPL Jet Propulsion Laboratory

LBA Luftfahrt-Bundesamt

LEO Low Earth Orbit

MIP Moon Impact Probe

MRO Maintenance, Repair and Overhaul

MSS Mobile Satellite Service

NASA National Aeronautics and Space

Administration

NEO Near-Earth Object

NSDI National Spatial Data Infrastructure

NTP National Telecom Policy

Pa Pascal unit

PCT Patent Cooperation Treaty

PSLV Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle

PSTN Public Switched Telephone Network

R&D Research and Development

RFID Radio Frequency Identification

RLV Reusable Launch Vehicles

SARP Standards and Recommended Practices

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SCPS Space Communications Protocol

Specifications

SDR Special Drawing Rights

SETI Search for Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence

SFCG Space Frequency Coordination Group

SITE Satellite Instructional Television Experiment

SLV Satellite Launch Vehicle

SPAR South Pole Aitken Region

SSB Single-Sideband

STC Space Transition Corridors

SUA Special Use Airspace

TNA Thermal Neutron Analyser

TRAI Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

TRIPS Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property

UAV Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

UN United Nations

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and

Cultural Organization

UNGA United Nations General Assembly

UNO United Nations Organization

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization

WMO World Meteorological Organization

WPC Wireless Planning Committee

WTC World Trade Centre

WTO World Trade Organization