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AA	Association Agreement (between Ukraine and the EU)
ACLED	Armed Conflict and Event Data Program
AFISMA	African-led International Support Mission in Mali
AI	Amnesty International
AKUF	Arbeitsgemeinschaft Kriegsursachenforschung (German)/Working Group for Research on the Causes of War (University of Hamburg)
AQMI	Al-Qaïda au Maghreb Islamique (French)/al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb
ATNMC	Alliance Touareg Nord Mali pour le Changement (French)/North Mali Tuareg Alliance for Change
BCEAO	Banque Centrale des Etats de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (central bank for the common "CFA-Franc" currency)
BSEC	Black Sea Economic Cooperation
CONIAS	Conflict Information and Analysis System (University of Heidelberg)
COW	Correlates of War Project (University of Michigan/University of California, Davis)
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States
CPLR	Centre of Policy and Legal Reforms
CU	Customs Union
DSF	Deutsche Stiftung Friedensforschung/German Foundation for Peace Research
DM	Documentary Method
EBRD	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
EU	European Union
FTA	Free Trade Area
GovMali	Government of Mali
GovUkr	Government of Ukraine
GT	Grounded Theory
HIJK	Heidelberg Institute for International Conflict Research
ICG	International Crisis Group

IBRD	International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
IMF	International Monetary Fund
IRF	International Renaissance Foundation (Ukraine)
IR	International Relations (as an academic discipline)
MFA	Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ukraine)
MINUSMA	Multinational Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali
MMIC	Maidan Monitoring Information Center
MNA	Mouvement National de l'Azawad (French)/National Movement of Azawad
MNLA	Mouvement National de Libération de l'Azawad (French)/National Movement for the Liberation of Azawad
MUJAO	Mouvement pour l'Unité et le Jihad en Afrique de l'Ouest (French)/Movement for Unity and Jihad in West Africa
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
OSGS	Observatoire Sahélo-Saharien de Géopolitique et de Stratégie/Observatory of Geopolitical and Strategic Affairs in the Sahelian-Saharan Zone
PACE	Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
PCS	Peace and Conflict Studies
Polisario	Frente Popular para la Liberación de Saguía el Hamra y Río de Oro (Spanish)/Popular Front for the Liberation of Saguia el-Hamra and Rio de Oro
PSPSDN	Programme Spécial pour la Paix, la Sécurité et le Développement dans le Nord du Mali (French)/Special Programme for Peace, Security and Development in Northern Mali
QDA	Qualitative Data Analysis
RF	Russian Federation
UAH	Ukrainian Hryvnia (national currency in Ukraine since 1996)
UCDP	Uppsala Conflict Data Program (Uppsala University, Sweden)
UEMOA	Union Economique et Monétaire Ouest Africaine (Economic and Monetary Union of French-Speaking West African States)
UHHRU	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union
Ukrainian GTS	Ukrainian Gas Transit System
UkrN	Ukraine Nachrichten/Ukraine News
UN	United Nations
UNOCHA	United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
USIP	United States Institute of Peace (Washington D.C.)
USD (\$)	United States Dollar
USSR	Union of Soviet Socialist Republics ("Soviet Union")