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ABBREVIATIONS

AQAP	Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula
AQI	Al Qaeda in Iraq
AQIM	Al Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb
AU	African Union
CENTCOM	United States' Central Command
CIA	Central Intelligence Agency
DEA	United States' Drug Enforcement Agency
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
EU	European Union
GCC	Gulf Co-operation Council
HDP	Peoples' Democratic Party
IRGC	Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps
IS	Islamic State
ISF	Iraqi Special Forces
ISI	Islamic State of Iraq
ISIS	Islamic State in Iraq and Great Syria
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NSC	United States' National Security Council
OIC	Organization of the Islamic Conference
PEGIDA	Patriotic Europeans Against the Islamification of the West
PKK	Kurdistan Workers' Party
STTEP	Specialized Tasks, Training, Equipment and Protection
UN	United Nations
YPG	Syrian Kurdish Protection Units

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