

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND TERNINOLOGY

BOFT - Board of Foreign Trade

CAGR - Compound Annual Growth Rate

CETRA - China External Trade Development Council

CIA - The Central Intelligence Agency (of the United States)

CIS - Commonwealth of Independent States

DPP - Democratic Progressive Party (Taiwan)

EEC – Eastern European Countries

EBRD - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

EU - European Union

GIM - Global Information Management

IECDF - International economic Cooperation and Development Fund (Taiwan)

IEAT - Import-Export Association of Taiwan

KMT - Kuomintang (Chinese Nationalist Party)

MOEA - the Ministry of Economic Affairs

MOFA - Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Taiwan)

NATO - North Atlantic Treaty Organization

OECDF – Overseas Economic Cooperation and Development Fund (Taiwan)

PRC - People’s Republic of China

TAITRA – Taiwan External Trade Development Council

ROC – Republic of China

TTC - Taiwan Trade Centre

USA - United States of America

USSR – Union of Soviet Socialist Republic

WTO - World Trade Organization