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ABBREVIATIONS

ADS	Automatic Destruction System
BL	Launch Vehicle Processing Building
BL1	Launch Vehicle Transit Building
BL2	Launch Vehicle Testing Building
BM	Solid Rocket Motor Testing and Processing Buildings
BMX	Solid Rocket Motor X-ray Building
BS	SC Processing Buildings
BS2	SC Non-hazardous Operation Building
BS3	SC Hazardous Operation Building
CALT	China Academy of Launch Vehicle Technology
CDS	Command Destruction System
CLA	Coupled Load Analysis
CLTC	China Satellite Launch and Tracking Control General
CS	Commanded Shutdown
EDC	Effect Day of the Contract
EGSE	Electrical Ground Support Equipment
GEO	Geo-synchronous Orbit
GSE	Ground Support Equipment

GTO	Geo-synchronous Transfer Orbit
IFD	In-Flight-Disconnect
JSLC	Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center
LCC	Launch Control Console
LEO	Low Earth Orbit
LH₂/LH	Liquid Hydrogen
LM	Long March
LOX	Liquid Oxygen
LV	Launch Vehicle
MCCC	Mission Command and Control Center
MEO	Medium Earth Orbit
MRS	Minimum Residue Shutdown
PLF	Payload Fairing
PUS	Propellant Utilization System
RF	Radio Frequency
RMS	Root Mean Square
SC	Spacecraft
SRM	Solid Rocket Motor
SSO	Sun synchronous Orbit
TSLC	Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center
TT&C	Tracking and Telemetry and Control
UDMH	Unsymmetrical Dimethyl Hydrazine
UPS	Uninterrupted Power Supply
VEB	Vehicle Equipment Bay
XSCC	Xi'an Satellite Control Center
XSLC	Xichang Satellite Launch Center