

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

Archive documents are quoted with reference to the following abbreviations:

- BA = Bundesarchiv, Berlin-Lichterfelde, Germany.
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- BA/MA = Bundesarchiv-Militärarchiv, Freiburg, Germany.
- CDJC = Centre de Documentation Juive Contemporaine, Paris, France.
- IMT = International Military Tribunal, Nuremberg, Germany.
- Ng Dok. = Other Nuremberg documents.

Other abbreviations found in the text:

- HSSPF = Hoherer SS- und Polizeiführer.*
- KPD = Kommunistische Partei von Deutschland*; Communist Party of Germany during the Third Reich, 1933–1945.
- Nazi = A short form of the German *Nationalsozialismus*; the ideology was institutionalized in the *NSDAP*.
- NKVD = Narodnyi Komissariat Vnutrennikh Del*; Peoples Commissariat for Internal Affairs (In Russia, the Communist Secret Police).
- NSDAP = Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiterpartei*; National Socialist German Workers' Party, or Nazi Party for short.
- OKH = Oberkommando des Heeres*; Germany's Army High Command. In charge of Eastern front operations from 1933–1945.
- OKM = Oberkommando der Marine*; Germany's High Command of the Navy, 1933–1945.
- OKW = Oberkommando der Wehrmacht*; Germany's Armed Forces High Command from 1933–1945. The *OKW* was in charge of the Western front operations.
- RSHA = Reichssicherheitshauptamt*; Central SS Department.
- RuSHA = Rasse- und Siedlungshauptamt*; Main Office for Race and Settlement.
- SA = *Sturmabteilung*; Storm troopers, also called Brown Shirts.
- SPD = Sozialistische Partei von Deutschland*; Socialist Party of Germany.
- SS = Schutzstaffel*; originally Hitler's body guard; became principal instrument of internal rule in Germany.
- SSPF = SS und Polizeiführer*; SS and Police Leader.