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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADB Asian Development Bank

CHRO Chin Human Rights Organization

CCOC Christ for Chin in One Century

CHKC Committee for History of Khumi Culture

HIV Human Immunodeficiency Virus

INGO International Non-Governmental Organization

Tattmadaw Myanmar State Army

RC Roman Catholic Church

NGO Non-Governmental Organization

NEM New Economic Mechanism

Man A marriage payment in Lai Chin dialect

OECD Organization for Economic Co-orperation and Development

HRBM Hill Region Buddhist Mission

ZTC Zomi Theological Colleague

UN United Nations

HRBM Hill Region Buddhist Mission taung tan tar ta nar pyut

US\$ United States Dollar

MMK Myanmar Kyat

MSG Monosodium Glutamate)

SLORC The State Law and Order Restoration Council

SPDC State Peace and Development Council

GLOSSARY

a-twin-phoe Burmese calling of Chin's ka tawi

Burmanization Burman as one race, Buddhist as one religion and Burmese as

one language. It is also sometime called as Myanmarnization

Burman a majority ethnic group in Myanmar. It is sometime called as

Burma

charang knifes

htar ne taing yin tar Indigenous Peoples

Ka tawi personal present such as feminine costumes, accessories and

blankets given to the bride by her mother or grandmother or

aunty at the end of a wedding ceremony

ka doh kyae offering cash as a homage fee to the bride's parent by the

groom or the bridegroom

leinglo a sling for carry infant

Ma Ba Ta the acronym for the Association to Protect Race and

Language and Religion

rkadui eggs

tavi spears

Tattmadaw State's military institution

Vang A Chin's language for bride price