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Acronyms

ATL Armajaro Trading Ltd

CSR Corporate social responsibility

FoN Fruits of the Nile Ltd

FSC Forest Stewardship Council ITC International Trade Centre

KACE Kangulumira Area Cooperative Enterprise

KC Fresh Kamphaeng-Saen Commercial NGO Non-governmental organization

SSCM Sustainable supply chain management

UN United Nations

WFTO World Fair Trade Organization
WTO World Trade Organization

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