

# Glossary

I use a bunch of terms in the journal that meant something at the time, some of which I have forgotten. The Peace Corps had it's own set of acronyms and abbreviations. **Here are some of them, in no particular order:**

PT - Physical Therapist which became Physiotherapist and just "Physio" during our service.

non-matrixed spouse - Part of the "package" with no defined placement in country.

COI - Close of invitation - DRop dead date to apply and be accepted by the Peace Corps for service.

NAC -National Agency Check - Federal background check..very thorough,,,

CHP - A consulting firm that provided training for Peace Corps volunteers

UWI - University of the West Indies

E.C. - EC- Eastern Caribbean

PCV - Peace Corps Volunteer

COS - Close of Service

B'Dos - Short for Barbados

A.T. - Appropriate Technology

EC-33 - Our Peace Corps group followed by EC-34's, 35's, 36's, 37's, and 38's (which we never met...)

CaDEC - Christian Action for Development in the Caribbean

SVG - St. Vincent and the Grenadines

HR - Human Resources

OECS - Organization of Eastern Caribbean States

SVGPS - St. Vincent Public Service

USAID - United States Agency for International Development (great organization...or was...)

CAID - Canadian Agency for International Development

CIDA - Canadian International Development Agency (might be the same org as above)

VSO - Volunterr Service Overseas - the British version of the Peace Corps

KGH - Kingstown General Hospital

ET - Early Termination

P.S. - Public Service

RC - Roman Catholic

MCW - Ministry of Communications and Works

DFS - Deputy Financial Secretary

CBI - Caribbean Basin Initiative - a Reagan-era program to foster business growth in the Caribbean

CITS - Caribbean International Travel Service (travel agent...remember those?)

LIAT - Leeward Island Air Transport (or Leave Island Any Time)

AG - Agriculture Department

Ministry of T&A - Ministry of Trade and Agriculture - also MTA

CPU - Central Planning Unit

ORD - Organization for Rural Development

PM - Prime Minister

MIU - Marketing Intelligence Unit

APCD - Associate Peace Corp Director

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