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Possible basic criteria for selecting potential candidates for sector negotiations

- the sector should be significant in terms of international trade;
- the sector should be broad enough to be meaningful in trade terms;
- the sector should be one in which economies of scale and intensive capital investment are important factors in the development of internationally competitive industries;
- the sector chosen should be one in which trade barriers, particularly tariff escalation and non-tariff measures, are a major constraint to the realization of internationally competitive industries;
- the sector should lend itself to substantial reduction or elimination of all barriers to trade.