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Here's what we have so far. Shall we discuss?

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In order to address the increasing use of personal computers, digital imaging equipment and software for illicit purposes, the United States is working with a consortium of central banks that has developed a system to deter the use of this technology in the counterfeiting of bank notes. This group is soliciting the support of the digital imaging and computer industry and cooperating with equipment manufacturers and software developers to facilitate the adoption of the system.

All major inkjet printer suppliers have been working voluntarily with the consortium to deter the counterfeiting of currency by inkjet printers and personal computers. The vendors are phasing deterrence measures into their products over time. This long-term program will be effective only when the deterrence measures have become widely deployed. Printer vendors have agreed not to release details on the deterrence technology or their specific plans for its deployment.