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 Australia has also taken decisive steps to address dangerous emerging technologies, imposing import controls on electromagnetic weapons while gathering intelligence on 3D printed firearms.



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	and seizing illicit 30 printed firearms.
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	used in firearms manufacture, including homemade suppressors, as well as files to print 3D firearms.
	The ABF identified a number of consignments purchased by the person of interest
	that included items for 3D printing.
	On 2 March 2022, AFP Taskforce Vanguard members executed a search warrant at
	the person of interest's address in NSW, and seized a number of electronic devices
	<ul> <li>along with a 3D printer and multiple 3D firearm blueprints.</li> <li>The person of interest was subsequently arrested and charged with possession of</li> </ul>
	digital blueprints to manufacture firearms, and is due to appear before court on 30 April 2022.

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