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the exchanges continued for a few more rounds last night...

johnlu, beas and I are going to meet today at noon to discuss what we want gordon to do. I will present that to steve and then gordon. I've told steve he has to send a clear message to gordon that he has to do what's agreed upon and be accountable, otherwise I don't want him. and when gordon comes running, he just has to send him away.

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From davidcol Tue Jul 2 10:42:35 1991  
To: karlst philba  
Subject: Win 3.1 changes for WinBall  
Cc: bradsi  
Date: Tue Jul 2 10:40:07 1991

Let's be really careful on what changes we do for Winball until we understand the entire scope of how much work we are being asked to do. Eric and johnlu are current researching the issues and trying to figure out what they want us to do vs what they will do.

Once they have completed the investigation, we will know how much and where the work is. Then we can decide which groups does what.

Until we get to that point, can you please instruct your guys to sign up for nothing and write no code which might be needed for winball. This could be a hugh distraction, which we don't need.

Thanks,  
David

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From naveenj Tue Jul 2 10:51:03 1991  
To: brade ericho ericst johnen mikedr richf tomie  
Cc: adriank bradsi  
Subject: DOS 5.0a and Slick.  
Date: Mon Jul 01 10:49:20 1991

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Well! we all agree that Slick should be based on DOS 5.0a but we are still trying to find out what DOS 5.0a is?

Given the fact that PSS has 96% busy rate (i.e. only 4% people get through), we can safely assume that the bugs that we have received so far from PSS are only a tip of the iceberg.

I suggest that we do the following:

1. Review all bugs that are coming through PSS to decide whether these bugs would be fixed in DOS 5.0a, we would suggest a workaround or document the problem. We could use frequency of calls to PSS as a guideline but it may be misleading because of difficulty in getting to PSS.

We would also monitor Compuserve forum and apply the same criterion to the bugs reported on the forum by the users.

2. We should wait until middle of August to see what other problems are discovered before we close DOS 5.0a or else we are setting ourselves for DOS 5.0b and so on (probably DOS of the month club). We would continue to fix bugs that pass the DOS 5.0a selection criterion but won't be code complete until middle of august.

3. We should use Slick as beta vehicle to test DOS 5.0a but this brings other interesting questions. Given a 4-6 week of beta cycle and 2 weeks of final system test, we are looking at slick being released at the end of september to middle of october (based on the fact that we won't have code complete until middle of august).

Do we still continue with Slick being based on DOS 5.0a and windows 3.0? or Should slick be based on DOS 5.0a and WIndows 3.1, given the fact that Windows 3.1 is going to be announced soon after the Slick release.

Looking forward to hearing your comments.

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From davidcol Tue Jul 2 10:56:25 1991

To: bradsi

Subject: printer survey

Date: Tue Jul 2 10:55:17 1991

In timmcc's review, I mentioned a printer survey he put into the Windows newsletter. This just just a little card that asked what printers people had and which

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