

From tomle Wed Jan 10 17:50:11 1990
To: billg russw
Cc: markche
Subject: Re: what can we do about this?
Date: Wed Jan 10 17:46:21 1990

We had to really stretch to get this mechanism to work at all. We dug deeply into the bowels of Dos to be sure it was a "real Dos". We warned at the time that this was a dangerous thing to do. It will be very easy for us to break our own apps with this mechanism. I think it's a bad idea and with Gordon looking at drastically altering the kernel the chance of breaking ourselves is even higher. We should stop this activity now. It's dangerous and, in the end, I think we'll only hurt ourselves.

Tom

>From russw Wed Jan 10 17:16:05 1990
To: tomle
Subject: what can we do about this?
Date: Wed Jan 10 17:13:04 1990

ie. to change the detection mechanism

From markche Wed Jan 10 11:37:04 1990
To: billg
Subject: Alien DOS Check
Cc: billg markche philba russw steveb
Date: Wed Jan 10 11:35:29 1990

This has been implemented in the following ms products:

QP 1.0
QASM 2.01
Fortran 5.0
BASIC PDS 7.0
Works 2.0 (in setup)
Flight Sim 4.0

The alien DOS check does not detect the most recent version of DR DOS (3.41); it does detect versions prior to this.

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