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From anthony Fri Oct 5 11:00:20 1990
To: tomle
Subject: RE: Summary of "the meeting"
Date: Tue Jul 07 10:39:48 PDT 1992

It was kind of random at times, various discussions of tiny little technical details. However the main conclusions were:

- hpfs/long file names should not be part of the DOS 6 team's charter. Bill said he viewed "the next file system" problem as belonging to my data storage group, and he thought hpfs might be "stopping half way", ie not the complete solution for win 4.
- bill said we should prioritise features according to the needs of the following clients in order:
 - win on 386
 - win on 286
 - standalone 386
 - standalone 286
 - standalone 8086

We didn't decide in/out for any features other than hpfs. I think this is going to be your job. It is clear though with these priorities that end user configurable kernels aren't very important. Brad also made the interesting point that most new 8086 machines will have DOS in ROM. Brad thinks the upgrade market for existing 8086 machines is non-existent.

Bill is clearly more enthusiastic than everyone else about the general idea of revamping the DOS technology, being a moving target for DRI etc. And he seemed quite willing to require utilities and extensions to rev if they have become dependant on undocumented interfaces or data structures.

Gordon is going to read the memo I wrote from your email. He said some of the things on there were hard. I think your job is going to be to collect everything from the current DOS 6 spec, our list and any other ideas then prioritise them within Bill's overall framework.

From davidthi Fri Oct 5 11:10:38 1990
To: a-chrisr johnen
Cc: dosdev
Subject: Re: Confidential Info for my status report
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I agree with what you said totally. Because of the way it was pushed when I worked at Martin Marietta, I refused to join and made contributions to individual charities.

My disgust was with the low level (which is actually 36%). However, I didn't want to re-broadcast to dwgroup just to state that.

- dave

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