PS: Sorry for being just a bit sarcastic, but I've just spent 6-8
weeks in HELL trying to get this done. Just a little suggestion
for the next time around!

PPS: Please take some of these suggestion to heart the next time
around ! It would REALLY help !

Thanks,

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1090
From davidds Fri Aug 16 19:09:59 1991
To: bradsi davidcol philba
Subject: Re: Undocumented stuff used by apps group
Date: Fri, 16 Aug 91 19:09:35 PDT

Unfortunately, its not as simple as documenting a single api. You
need to take this api in context for it to make sense.

It makes sense for the barney guys because they looked at our combo
box implmentation, looked at our edit control implmentation, and then
took some of the ideas to write their own. The message is very
specific and only makes sense if you know the details of our combo
box implementation.

If you recall, we tried this sort of stuff for 3.0. We simply got a
ton of inadequately answered questions concerning the meaning of
things like WM_QUEUESYNC or WH_CBT hook or BeginDeferWindowPos.

When the apps group uses undocumented api, they also make use of many
internal unquantifiable ideas gleaned from examination of surrounding
code. Ie.it isn't easy to document these things so that they are
useful to people without access to the source.

|>From davidcol Fri Aug 16 17:09:07 1991
|To: bradsi davidds philba
|Subject: Re: Undocumented stuff used by apps group
|Date: Fri Aug 16 17:08:38 1991
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|I hate to suggest this, but I think we are obligated to
|document the undoc'd calls the apps group uses if
|they figured it out by looking at source code. This is
|certainly the case with MS Money.
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1091
From kenje Fri Aug 16 19:54:49 1991
To: dosdev
Cc: ssmsdos
Subject: An interesting request from Dell Computer's, Dave Baker :-)
Date: Fri, 16 Aug 91 19:53:32 PDT

We are recieviung reports that IBM DOS/V does not work properly on Dell
machines. With IBM DOS/V loaded on a Dell machine with a Japanese keyboard
connected there are two keys that do not produce correct characters on the
display.

  - The DOS is IBM DOS Version J4.00/V

  - The Keyboard is an IBM 5576 KEYBOARD-2, P/N 94X1110

  According to Mitsui, an IBM compatible machine under
  evaluation can work correctly under DOS/V but Mitsui did not tell us
  whose CPU. We have not verified this claim.

  The two keys that do not produce correct display characters are
  the "~" key and "\" back slash key.

  We have found that the Mitsui keyboard and DOS/V also fail on an
  IBM PS/2. We believe that the BIOS is sending out the correct scan
  code to DOS, but that the DOS/V KEYB.COM is printing the wrong
  character.

  Can you folks provide any assistance?

  Can you provide us with the source to the KEYBOARD.SYS that is used in
  IBM DOS/V?

  We need to figure out why IBM DOS/V (KEYB.COM) does not display
  the correct characters when used on a Dell system in conjunction with
  the Mitsui Keyboard.

  Thanks,

  Davae Baker

1092
From johnen Fri Aug 16 20:03:16 1991