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Obviously this is a dangerous thing, they would love to get more inside info on windows and ms-dos.

And I don't know how well this is going to work prior to MSDOS 7. We have had unlimited access to the Windows kernel developers and source, which has helped us immensely. Without this kind of access (which we cannot give), it will take Novell much longer to do this work. MSDOS 7 is the release in which we intend to clean up all the interfaces and make this kind of thing double by 3rd parties.

That said, these are the things we could think about giving them:

- The Win3.1 DDK is the most important thing. No secrets given away with this. This has all the info needed to write VxDs and has sample source.
- Spec of the MSDOS IFS interface for MSDOS 7. Unfortunately this is still under design, we won't be able to deliver for some time yet. And this is a dangerous thing to give them, as it allows them to start cloning it. We need to wrap their access up in an NDA so that the DRDOS guys can't get this info.
- If they want to do this work prior to MSDOS 7 availability, there isn't a whole lot to give them other than the DDK above. Sparta has no real IFS interface to plug into. They will need to hook the system the hard way just like we do.

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From: Jim Allchin
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I would like to get a concrete list from you of the modules and documentation that we could send to Novell if they were to do the redirector work (non protected and protected). This should be the code or examples that would help them do the work.

Don't worry nothing will be given away — without additional discussion.

I need a list similar to the one that we gave them for NT. There we gave them a file system driver, some .h, and some random .c's that would help them. We gave them lots of doc, some videos, and a design work book. The more concrete the better.

This should be a valid list for them to do the work, but nothing more — not source to modules that may give away Windows secrets.

Unfortunately, I need this as soon as possible.

I meet with billg tomorrow night and want to discuss this with him.

thanks in advance.
jim

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