

To: dosdin Subject: Thai

Date: Thu Mar 21 19:15:47 1991

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From billg Thu Mar 21 20:00:47 1991

To: aaronr steveb

Subject: Re: Win 3.1 compatible WinWord 1.1A

Cc: bradsi martyta

Date: Thu Mar 21 20:00:46 1991

I think you should be careful with this amateur lawvering.

Who made a statement that any wall exists between applications and systems? No one from Microsoft ever did. Our competitors have trotted that out as a straw man just to shoot it down. It seems you have fallen for that. There isnt a wall and we never said there was.

On the contrary we try and work with Microsoft applications and other peoples applications groups as closely as we can. Our windows group tests major windows applications and tries to figure out what causes problems. We will have 3.1 in a long beta test and other applications vendors will have plenty of opportunity to test their applications and work with us to see if problems are in windows or in the application. As many as we can we will fix in windows 3.1 because it is a major problem for anyone to have to update applications. The willingness of our applications groups to be early guinea pigs for flaky systems software is a drain on them - just like Ray Ozzies willingness to take the source code of windows and report bugs was a drain on him (his code is sold by our biggest competitor). I wish more ISVs wanted early flaky code and would trace the bugs down carefully. Its not a competitive advantage in ay way shape or form.

Its a shame that Microsoft has not been the first to ship windows applications in any major cetgory - unlike we were on the macintosh. It turns out when we did ship we shipped good products but it is that the has helped us rather than being first. Our applications has had resources drained off to do things like windows write. Has the systems group ever done anything like windows write for the applications group?

The product that Microsoft was the first vendor to ship a spreadsheetr on other than macintosh was the OS/2 presentation manager. Duty for the applications group that cost over a year of their time - not something we would have done otherwise.

Our applications group has been totally open about their windows strategy - our openness in explaining what we are doing is a burden imposed by also having a systems group. Every speech I have given

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for the last 8 years talked about our commitment to do à family of windows applications first.

From aaronr Thu Mar 21 18:06:04 1991

To: billg steveb

Cc: bradsi

Subject: Re: Win 3.1 compatible WinWord 1.1A

Date: Thu Mar 21 17:59:20 1991

Well sproket gaged on this the first time, so lets try again.

>From aaronr Thu Mar 21 17:38:40 1991

To: billg billn steveb Cc: bradsi davidcol philba

Subject: Re: Win 3.1 compatible WinWord 1.1A

Date: Thu Mar 21 17:33:24 1991

Name of someone on the opbu mail alias

>From xxxxx Thu Mar 21 16:39:54 1991

To: opbu

<- Mail alias composed 100% of people in the APPS division as confirmed by doing a PHONE

on them all.

Cc: XXXXXX XXXXXXX XXXXXX XXXXXXX XXXXXXX Subject: Win 3.1 compatible WinWord 1.1A

Date: Thu Mar 21 16:35:47 1991

As some of you may have heard, a bug in SDM causes WinWord 1.X to rip every time it paints certain controls (like on the ribbon or ruler) when running under debug Win 3.1. I've patched a copy of 1.1A to remove the bug and placed it on:

\\xxxxx\xxxxx\winword\winword.exe

I've played around with it and it works just fine (Naturally, no warranty is expressed or implied :-) ). Those of you who are working with or on Win 3.1 may want to snag this if you want to run winword.

Win 3.1 guys, you may want to spread this around your group.

xxxx, I don't know if you want to do something with what's on toolsvr. We may want to put a Win31 dir under the 11A release point with the patched version.

Pretending that I am a legal type person doing discovery type stuff I am rather inclined to say:

Microsoft applications division was in possesion of pre release copies of Windows 3.10 well in advance of any non-Microsoft Windows ISVs

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thus giving the Microsoft Applications Division a substantial competitive advantage over any non-Microsoft Windows ISV.

Any statement that a "wall" of some kind exists between the Microsoft applications and systems divisions is obviously completely false.

From nathanm Thu Mar 21 20:01:08 1991

To: bradsi

Subject: Win 3.1 shell

Date: Thu Mar 21 20:59:26 PDT 1991

How do I get it?

Nathan

From carriet Thu Mar 21 20:37:19 1991

To: bradsi Subject: hi -

Date: Thu Mar 21 20:34:22 1991

I am out tomorrow and monday, but return Tuesday. If you're still here tonight we can talk, or I can call you Tuesday.

Just let me know. CT 63008

From tomle Thu Mar 21 20:47:26 1991

To: bradsi sharonh

Subject: Dos Program Management headcount Docs

Date: Thu Mar 21 20:44:41 1991

I built the case and left the document in your mailbox. I left the extra GA we discussed in the beta group.

Tom

From brade Thu Mar 21 21:39:48 1991

To: bradsi steveb tonya

Subject: FW: Bye bye to DOS \$

Date: Wed Mar 20 01:37:15 PDT 1991

I am researching to get more details.

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MS-PCA 2618370 CONFIDENTIAL >From richmac Tue Mar 19 17:17:53 1991

To: rgms Cc: brade

Subject: Bye bye to DOS \$

Date: Tue Mar 19 17:15:05 1991

Note the reference to IBM's actions at BofA and potentially Ford on DOS RUP.

>From mikemap Tue Mar 19 09:25:33 1991 To: jeffbo tonyry

Cc: billbrew bobmc davidy dwood edjohn genek richmac

Subject: Re: Ford update

Date: Tue Mar 19 09:24:05 1991

Spoke to Don Storteboom and Bill Lassila this morning. They were very happy with the progress on the demo. They were also pleased with the briefing. There biggest concern was the convergence of LanMan and Lan Server. They would really like that to happen. They said that the briefing was causing them to do a much broader think about their direction that they planned.

I asked about the concern they voiced to Jeff. Don said that when they visited us they did not see an IBM host. They dont think we understand large mainframe processing. We will have to work on this over the long term. He did not make a big deal out of it however.

Another interesting fact. Yesterday I was at Bank of America. We have a

plan to sell them the DOS Rup. IBM has come in and offered to give DOS 5

away to the bank. I would expect them to do the same at Ford.

>From jeffbo Mon Mar 18 14:02:27 1991

To: tonyry

Subject: Ford update

|Cc: billbrew bobmc davidv dwood edjohn genek mikemap richmac

Date: Mon Mar 18 16:58:44 1991

I have just finished a meeting with Don Storteboom and Bill Lassila. Basically we talked about theissues for the upcoming presentation of our solution for Ford.

It will last about a week. The users at the APO will be asked to try out

the proposed solution to see how it works. There will be no formal presentation

per se, they want us to give them the systems and a paper with our recommendation

on it.

As far as Win 3.0 goes, Ty Carlson is going to be here Thursday to talk

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to them

land he says that most of the issues (if not all) on contention between Lan

|Server and Windows 3 are fixed. That is good for them, but not for Lan Man.

It could use some positioning help here. It seems that if we cannot deliver

the feature set they want, they will go with Lan Server. On the other hand.

lif convergence and feature similarity is there soon, we can propose a Lan

|Man platform.

|Word Perfect has promised them beta by the week of 4-1, althought hey promised

the same code on 3-1. At the very least, we will get a fair shot at unseating

them, and if they come in with a 2Mb program, they may be dead.

We are proposing CommServer 1.1 for SNA, but their product will not be ALPHA

juntil after the presentation. Don said that if this is our recommndation, we

do not have to show this piece at this time, but can at the 6-1 showing.

|Paulwo is working on finding a suitable ASYNC product. It would be very nice

if there was one we had a purchasing agreement with like we do with DCA, then

Ford could have the 'one stop shopping' they desire. David, any suggestions here

would be welcome.

This was a good meeting, with Don saying we are doing an excellent job and

to just keep doing what we have been doing. I will propose the idea that

David came up with about having a white board session with them to get a start i=on creating a total network architecture. This will show that we

are willing to learn what we don't know about their business. Great idea

David! The apps portion will be pretty well covered by local staff, and we will incorporate the apps Genek has written here also. It will keep all informed as to the disposition of dinner Tuesday night with Peterson, Lassila and Ballmer, and I expect to have a phone conversation

with DavidV and genek Wed.

|\001Any ideas wold be greatly appreciated.

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