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CTSS BULLETIN 27

The following changes to commands DELETE, RENAME, and CHMODE will be effective May 18th.

DELETE a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> a<sub>2</sub> b<sub>2</sub> ... a<sub>n</sub> b<sub>n</sub>

deletes all versions of files a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub>, if possible. If a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> is R1 mode (read only class one), the following message will be printed:

a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> R1 MODE. DO YOU WANT TO DELETE IT,

If a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> is to be deleted, type "yes" after the comma; if a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> is not to be deleted, type "no".

If a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> is R2 mode (read only class two), the a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> will not be deleted and the following message will be printed:

ATTEMPT TO DELETE FILE IN READ ONLY MODE

If for any reason a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> cannot be deleted a comment is printed.

If b<sub>1</sub> = \*, all files with primary name a<sub>1</sub> will be deleted.  
If a<sub>1</sub> = \*1, all files with secondary name b<sub>1</sub> will be deleted.

CHMODE a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> m<sub>1</sub> a<sub>2</sub> b<sub>2</sub> m<sub>2</sub> ... a<sub>n</sub> b<sub>n</sub> m<sub>n</sub>

(Where m<sub>1</sub> must be 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, T, P, R1, or R2) changes the mode of files a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub>, if possible. If the mode of a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> cannot be changed, a comment will be printed.

If a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> is R2 mode, the mode will not be changed and the following message will be printed:

\*\* TRIED TO RENAME READ ONLY CLASS 2

a<sub>1</sub> or b<sub>1</sub> may be \* with the conventions described above.

RENAME a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> c<sub>1</sub> d<sub>1</sub> a<sub>2</sub> b<sub>2</sub> c<sub>2</sub> d<sub>2</sub> ... a<sub>n</sub> b<sub>n</sub> c<sub>n</sub> d<sub>n</sub>

changes name a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub> to c<sub>1</sub> d<sub>1</sub> if possible. All other files names c<sub>1</sub> d<sub>1</sub> will be deleted before renaming a<sub>1</sub> b<sub>1</sub>. If c<sub>1</sub> d<sub>1</sub> is R1 mode, the user has the choice of deleting it as described under DELETE.

If  $c_1$ ,  $d_1$  cannot be deleted or if  $a_1$ ,  $b_1$  is R2 mode, renaming will not be done. If  $a_1$ ,  $b_1$  is R2 mode, the following message is printed:

\*\*\*TRIED TO RENAME READ ONLY CLASS 2

If for any reason  $a_1$ ,  $b_1$  cannot be renamed, a comment will be printed.

If  $a_1 = *$ ,  $c_1$  must be  $*$ , and only the secondary name is changed. If  $b_1 = *$ ,  $d_1$  must be  $*$ , and only the primary name is changed.

If  $d_n$  is missing, it is assumed to equal  $b_n$ .