Subject: STRANGE ERROR ENCOUNTEREED\
Posted by victor on Thu, 21 Jul 1994 06:38:00 GMT

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I encountered the following error:
% RESTORE: End of file encountered. Unit: 108
       File: /home/shvetsky/idl/data/spawned_msg.out
  Not a character device

I suspect it is because I have two program that run simultaneously and
use the same file. SO, I guess sometimes file one program is just writing to the file , the other one
is trying to read...
Am I correct? If so, how can I go about fixing this problem. ? One little detail:
I need two programs to run independently of each other, that is: I don't want
one to wait for another to finsih before moving on.
Right now I am using SPAWN and making one program look into a file<spawned_msg.out> to see
if the result is available from another program. If so then use it, if not, then do something else.
I would appreciatte if someone from IDL developing company would answer to this question.

Thanks,
victor