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Subject: Re: ctrl-c aborts IDL on sun?

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On 3/5/04 4:30 AM, in article 404848c1@news.nwl.ac.uk, "wmc@bas.ac.uk"  
<wmc@bas.ac.uk> wrote:

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> Rick Towler <rtowler@u.washington.edu> wrote:
>> wrote in message ...
>
>>> I'm used to using IDL on an alpha but recently forced to use a sun.
>
>> I am so sorry... My thoughts are with you in this difficult time.
>
> Hmm. Thats not too optimistic-sounding.
>
>>> I discover that aborting a script with ctrl-c tends to kill IDL:
>
>> What version of IDL and version of Solaris?
>
> Sun Microsystems Inc.  SunOS 5.8      Generic February 2000
>
> { sparc sunos unix 5.4 Sep 25 2000    32    64}
>
> but v6.0 has the same behaviour.
>
>> Can you provide a simple example?
>
> n fact, simply typing ctrl-c at the command prompt when nothing else
> is happening is enough.
>
> wmc>
> 57 wmc@bsucena>
> % Interrupt encountered.
>
> wmc>
> 57 wmc@bsucena>
>
> This doesn't generate any odd err messages, just gets me out of idl.
> Worse, it doesn't kill the idl process - that goes mad somewhere and
> eats the cpu. But fg doesn't work.
>
> -W.
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I have a SunBlade 1000 and ^C does not dump me out of idl

IDL> \$cat /etc/motd

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IDL> print,!version  
{ sparc sunos unix Solaris 6.0 Jun 27 2003 64 64}  
IDL>; hit ^C here  
% Interrupt encountered.  
IDL>
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In other words, it works as I would expect it to work. So, it is not a universal problem on SunBlades.

Dick French

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