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Subject: Re: MI5 Persecution: £20,000 Reward (3331)  
Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Sat, 20 Jan 2007 23:11:36 GMT  
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Y.T. wrote:

> In a heroic attempt to make this post relate even faintly to IDL, I'd  
> like to thank whoever recently pointed out the "-=" syntax; I had never  
> even heard of that. Is that new? When was it introduced? I've been  
> diddling with TEMPORARY() to avoid the memory overhead of creating  
> variable in certain applications - this'll clean up my code by a good  
> bit.

Compound assignment operators were added in IDL 6.0. Here's a table of  
all the operators in IDL:

<http://michaelgalloy.com/2006/11/01/periodic-table-of-idl-operators.html>

Mike

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