
Subject: Re: * Some long filenames do work on NT4.0 !!! *
Posted by [Pirmin Kaufmann](#) on Tue, 14 Jan 1997 08:00:00 GMT
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Joseph M. Zawodny wrote:

- > <snip>
- > [...] I am probably in the minority, but I like long
- > procedure names, like WIDGET_SELECT_PRINTER and WIDGET_SELECT_FILE.

The 8.3 filename restriction was the reason why we finally got IDL for Unix instead of for Windows 95. You're not alone and may not even be in the minority!

- > These two would be represented as WIDGET_S.PRO in a 8.3 bound FAT
- > partition. Hence the major editing job required to fix what can only
- > be described as a lack of foresight and a botched release of IDL for
- > Windows by RSI. [...]

Pirmin
