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Posted by [Oscar Chic](#) on Tue, 14 May 1996 07:00:00 GMT
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I would greatly appreciate any help.

Thanks

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Subject: Re: Memory allocation problem using Call_external
Posted by [Marty Ryba](#) on Thu, 23 May 1996 07:00:00 GMT
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Oscar Chic <chic@ieec.fcr.es> wrote:
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IDL does not want you to allocate memory without its knowing. If you get and read the Advanced Development Guide, it will tell you how to use the functions IDL_MemAlloc() and IDL_MemFree() (and some others that allow IDL to do garbage collection if you jump out in response to an error).

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