## Subject: passing pointers to CALL\_EXTERNAL Posted by hdsfkj on Tue, 24 Mar 1998 08:00:00 GMT

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Hi Again,

Is there a way to return a pointer to an array of bytes from CALL\_EXTERNAL? My C routine creates the array and fills it with values. I would like to just pass a pointer to the array back to IDL. I found an old post with dejanews that suggests it isn't possible. I'm trying to avoid the performance cost that goes with creating an array in IDL, passing a reference to it to the C routine, and copying the previously created C array to the IDL array. Thanks for any help...

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