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July 8, 1978

Prof. Melvin Ferentz,
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Dear Prof. Ferentz,

At the last Unix meeting I announced (by jotting it on the blackboard) that we had a version of SPSS (called SPSS/C) running under Unix. Since then more people than I expected have shown interest in it and I am very happy about it. The original work was done at Carleton College and they remain the sole distributors of the package (by an agreement with SPSS, Inc., Chicago).

Unix users interested in the package should contact the Carleton group for information on licensing, cost, and the like. The Carleton people now have a tp tape of all my software: sources, object files, documentation, and the '.out' file. Licensees interested in the Unix version of the package will receive a copy of that tape, along with whatever else is usually sent out by the Carleton people. I will be responsible for the support of this software under Unix. Any questions, complaints, bugs, improvements and so on, will be handled by yours truly as best as possible.

The current version available under Unix is SPSS/C 1.1. Carleton just came out with version 2.0 which "SPSS, Inc., has taken a look at" and "feel it is 80% of the IBM package". I hope to have this one ready for Unix by the middle-to-end of August (1978, of course).

The only requirement to run SPSS/C under Unix is Commercial Union's FORTRAN-IV Plus. SPSS/C was originally developed for RT-11, and relied on the overlaying facilities of RT-11's FOR. I already had CULC's FORTRAN when I started the "RT-11 to Unix" conversion and decided that it was easiest to stick to overlaying as opposed to multiple processes. Even then it took me over six weeks to get it going. Furthermore, CULC's FORTRAN is the fastest (at execution time) of

The FORTRAN's available under Unix (that I am aware of).

These are the two interesting addresses, for any one interested,

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In my shop the other person to ask for is Yair Daon, he did all the hard work of conversion. At Carleton, Bonnie Labosky-Tallon is the SPSS/C coordinator and the person I have been in contact with.

Sincerely,

(Handwritten signature)

Matt M. Perez,
Scientific Computer Facility.

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Dear Prof. Ferentz,

We are soliciting information from any one who has a working compiler or interpreter for SIMULA under UNIX.

Sincerely yours,

Jan van den Bos
Computer Graphics Group

June 8, 1978



Professor Melvin Ferentz
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Dear Professor Ferentz:

Our installation has an 11/40 with a floating point unit. We would appreciate any software modifications or support programs written for the FW. A "C" callable Fast Fourier Transform using 11/40 floating point would be especially appreciated.

We are currently building a ring network for data acquisition and control based on the Z-80 microprocessor. A cross "C" compiler, cross assembler creating relocating code and a cross linking loader for the Z-80 would be appreciated. Any software that we develop will be submitted after completion of the initial phase.

Sincerely,

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group names which you propose. The names "UNIXSIG", "PWB/UNIXSIG", "MINI-UNIXSIG", and so forth, would be a potential problem. We would hope that your final selection of group names would not incorporate the UNIX mark.

If these concerns of ours raise questions, I would be happy to speak with you at your convenience. I can be contacted at 201-582-2961.

AUG 15 1978

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Dear Dr. Ferentz:

It was with some interest that I read login, Vol. 3, No. 6, June/July 1978. Your choice of the name "USENIX" was rather an inspired way of avoiding the use of the UNIX⁴ trademark in the committee name. We programmers - I include myself in this group since I am a recast programmer - love acronyms, and it appears inevitable that the name of every group we belong to will be spelled in full uppercase.

Since we have communicated before on the topic of proper use of the UNIX trademark, you may think that my company is rather concerned about it, and to some extent that is true. The UNIX mark has not been around as long as some others such as Chevrolet or Coca-Cola, for example, so we cannot point to the fact that the mark has been respected by the public for many years or to the fact that we have spent millions in promoting it, for of course we have not. Therefore, we feel we must police use of the UNIX mark rather closely to prevent its "dilution".

Dilution of a trademark is a legal concept and arises when members of the public come to use the mark in ways other than strict trademark usage such as physically attaching the mark to goods sold. If the mark is so used too widely and too freely, it may no longer serve its proper role in distinguishing our goods from those of others. It is for this reason that we object to the use of the mark in non-trademark ways, for example, in a corporate title.

Having set forth our concerns about dilution of the UNIX mark, I am sure you can understand the significance to us of your proposed use of the UNIX mark in the special interest

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Very truly yours,

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July 18, 1978

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Dear Professor Ferentz:

You and other members of the Unix Users Group may be interested to know that BMDP, the Biomedical Computer Programs, P-Series, will soon be available for Unix operating systems. Reed College recently adapted Version 1 BMDP to Unix, and is entering into an agreement with Software Development Inc. to distribute the package. Version II will be available in a few months.

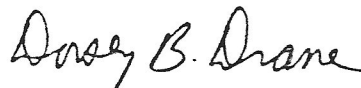
The Unix package requires the Fortran four Plus compiler distributed by Commercial Union Leasing Corp.

Interested parties should contact:

Software Development Inc.
Middlebury College
P.O. Box 500
Middlebury, Vermont 05753
(802) 388-7976

In order to obtain the package, users must sign a license agreement with SDI, and a second agreement with Reed College. The Reed College agreement merely stipulates that users of the package will keep any results of its use obtained in the public domain, the usual Unix requirement.

Sincerely,



Dorsey B. Drane
Director of Computer Center

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