

Re: Infinite Loops and Explicit Exits

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> . On 29.10.04

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> about *Infinite Loops and Explicit Exits*

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> CS> *One of these proposals relaxes the current restriction that an EXIT*

> CS> *PERFORM or EXIT PERFORM CYCLE statement may only appear within a*

> CS> *PERFORM ... END-PERFORM range.*

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> *I put here my answer which I had written answering another message*

> *by you, since this message had, as I saw on groups.Google.de,*

> *generated quite a debate, and I think that my answer should be here.*

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> *I will add some observations on loops in general which had been*

> *discussed unter "Report enhancements" and then "Perform loop*

> *enhancements".*

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> . On 28.10.04

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> about *Re: Perform loop enhancements*

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>> *Too bad that ability isn't complete.*

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> CS> *Which ability? The ability to do an EXIT PERFORM CYCLE in an*

> CS> *out-of-line PERFORM? Yeah, I think I'd argue for that, unless*

> CS> *(again) somebody can convince me it's a bad idea!*

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> *I think it is a _very_ bad idea.*

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> A *"PERFORM some-procedure UNTIL some-condition"* is something which