

Re: Microfocus Cobol "SLEEP" routine

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I had tried this but the compiler returns an error if there is no screen section! I don't know what directive I should use to compile the TIME-OUT without a screen section.

Anyway, I have successfully tested the "CALL "sleep" USING BY VALUE 300.". AND it does not return a newline to the running program thus NOT shifting the screen one line up.

"Vaclav Snajdr" <snajdr.vaclav@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message [news:f2ejmp\\$bs2\\$01\\$1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:f2ejmp$bs2$01$1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

no, accept with timeout need not the screen section.
The program using this is a background program and can be run via cron too. In this case you need set the TERM to console perhaps (so i had it under hp-ux) – because accept needs the ADIS.

C C wrote:

I think "TIME-OUT" needs a SCREEN SECTION. I don't want SCREEN SECTION
in
the sleep functionality I am trying to implement in programs under cron
or
batch control.

"Vaclav Snajdr" <snajdr.vaclav@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message [news:f2cdof\\$tbj\\$01\\$1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:f2cdoftbj01$1@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

it is possible to use "accept with timeout xyz" instead call
system ...
(in background programs too)

C C wrote:

Thanks. That's what I'm doing right now. I

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just want to avoid having
to
call "system". In AIX, a new-line is output
by the system thus online
sessions experience a shift on their screen.
This behavior still
occurs
even if my call "system" script re-directs
output to /dev/null.

"Steve Rainbird"

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"C C"

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Hello.

Is there a
way in MF
Cobol to
pause
program
execution
(sleep) for,
let's
say, 5
minutes???

My
workaround
is to call the
AIX
command
"sleep
300".

I need a
routine in
Cobol itself
so I may
vary the
time to
pause in
some
programs.

Thanks in

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advance.

Not that I know of.

I use

call "system" using
ws-sleep-call

Where ws-sleep-call is
defined as

```
01 ws-mss-sleep-call.  
03 pic x(6) value "sleep".  
03 ws-mss-sleep pic  
9(15).999.  
03 pic x value x"00".
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Works for me.

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Steve

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Vaclav Snajdr

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