CONTINUE CHARACTER

PURPOSE
Specifies the character that (upon occurrence in a subsequent command line) will continue the command onto the next command line. Thus, a command can be spread over 2 lines.

SYNTAX
CONTINUE CHARACTER <character>

where <character> is one or more characters. Only the first four characters of <character> are significant.

EXAMPLES
CONTINUE CHARACTER #
CONTINUE CHARACTER \
CONTINUE CHARACTER @

NOTE 1
The CONTINUE CHARACTER with no arguments sets the continuation character to default.

NOTE 2
Commands are currently limited to a maximum of two lines.

NOTE 3
Loops only store the first 80 characters of a command. Continued lines are treated as a single command, so only the first 80 characters of the initial line and the continued line combined are stored.

DEFAULT
The default continuation character is ... (3 periods with no spaces).

SYNONYMS
None

RELATED COMMANDS
SUBSTITUTE CHARACTER   =   Define the substitute character.
TERMINATOR CHARACTER   =   Define the terminator character.

APPLICATIONS
Long command lines

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