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TO: Distribution
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SUBJECT: New Tape Drive Recovery Procedure

This MOSN applies to Multics System Operation on the Multics series model 6180. The command `unassign_device` if issued from a highly privileged process, such as the initializer or a daemon, can detach any tape drive.

Its usage is:

```
unassign_device -drive_name-
```

Where `drive_name` is `tape_drive_0`, `tape_drive_1`, etc.

This command may also be used by the user for drives that he has attached himself. If he is not sure whether he still has a drive attached, he can issue the command `list_assigned_devices (lad)` to find out. The `unassign_device` command should be used only if the user was not able to detach normally and he did not get logged out or get a new process (tape drives are now automatically detached when a process is destroyed).

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