Connect phone(s)

Do we want data stored on an online server or using internal commands with commandline?

We need to know commandline if we are doing it on the local computer, or Php or something if we are doing on a nonlocal computer.

Telling frontline we are doing research--will be a not for profit

Put exporting data on a timer (every 15 minutes) instead of a button press (or in addition)

Make people able to join just by sending us this keyword:

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<a href="keywordActions/join\_leave.htm"><span class="highlight keywordlink">Join Group</span></a>

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<li>FrontlineSMS will automatically add the person who sent the SMS to a pre-determined Group.

Again, this is useful if you are running a series of user Groups or clubs, and want people to be able to join automatically by publicising the keyword without them having to contact you directly.

A campaign, for example, could say "<span class="emphase">To join our Control Arms Campaign, text in the word JOIN to 650123456</span>". Here, <span class="highlight">JOIN</span> is the keyword.</li>

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This allows us to have a keyword do things on our computer, like maybe run the external program.

External Commands feature is single SMS-related, triggered by incoming messages. So when a message comes into FrontlineSMS with a specific keyword, you can tell the software to run an external command or program to do something with that message.

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<a href="keywordActions/externalcommand.htm"><span class="highlight keywordlink">External Command</span></a>

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<li>Although a particularly advanced feature, and one most likely to be used by more technical users,

keywords can be set up to trigger the running of external commands or programs (for example, a batch file or a script).

For example, a batch file could be written which finds out how much free disk space is left on the computer.

An incoming SMS with, say, the keywords <span class="highlight">FREE SPACE</span> could then be set to trigger the running of this batch file,

with FrontlineSMS texting the result (i.e. the amount of free disk space) back to the message sender.

The <span class="feature">External Command</span> function can also be used to instruct FrontlineSMS to send incoming messages to remote

servers over the internet (using <span class="emphase">HTTP GET</span>), which may be useful as a method of backing up data, or for a website

with a news ticker which needs to display all incoming messages for a campaign or event</li>

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