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Sorry to be so long. I was away until yesterday. I'll pass your question re licensing on to Bob Burns, who's really responsible for this stuff. The problem we are trying to solve is that some people have been passing on AIPS for profit, or to people who we don't even know exist and come out of the blue at people like Kerry with demands for help. Our hope is that the normal astronomical research community will be unaffected by the licensing or "user agreement" other than having to sign off on one form once.

ISIS was invented by Bob Payne. I doubt that he was aware of any competition. Bill Cotton has already named the new sortless mapping task HORUS in retaliation! All a bunch of Egyptians with too big an idea of themselves so far as I'm concerned.

Cheers, A.