NAME

aliases − aliases file for ZMailer

.forward − user's **.forward** file for ZMailer

SYNOPSIS

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DESCRIPTION (aliases)

All lines beging with '#' are comments.

Lines begining with white space are extensions to previous line.

This file describes user ID aliases used by *zmailer*(1zm). The file resides in ZMailer's database directory, which usually has a symlink to this file from */etc*. Content of the file is formatted as a series of lines of form:

```
name: name2, name3, name4, ...
```

Each "name:" label must be valid RFC-822 localpart or address entity, and the colon must not have white-space in between 'name', and itself.

The labels may actually be quoted-strings in RFC-822 style:

```
"with space":
```

Valid labels include:

```
postmaster:
postmaster@zmailer.org:
"post office manager":
```

The targets must be valid RFC-822 address type objects; specifically following BSD-Sendmail type things do not work, and must be converted to RFC-822 format:

```
bsd-name:  |/path/to/foo/faa,   \bsd-name
zm-name:  "|/path/to/foo/faa", "\zm-name"
both-name: user@somewhere, another@elsewere
```

DESCRIPTION (.forward)

The **.forward** file contains addresses that users want their incoming email to be sent to. It may be some program (like procmail), or it may be another address. Some examples for user "user":

```
"user", "|/path/to/vacation"
"user", another@address
```

BSD-Sendmail lets those addresses be written without quotes, however it is against RFC-822 rules.

SEE ALSO

zmailer(1zm), *sendmail*(8zm), *zdbases.conf*(5zm).
RFC 822

HISTORY

The **aliases** file format appeared in 4.0BSD.

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