Subject: Re: [PATCH] /proc/*/environ: wrong placing of ptrace_may_attach() check Posted by Alexey Dobriyan on Wed, 30 May 2007 08:31:03 GMT

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On Tue, May 29, 2007 at 05:16:23PM -0700, Andrew Morton wrote:
> On Mon, 28 May 2007 17:41:57 +0400
> Alexey Dobriyan <adobriyan@sw.ru> wrote:
>> --- a/fs/proc/base.c
>> +++ b/fs/proc/base.c
>> @ @ -204,12 +204,17 @ @ static int proc_pid_environ(struct task_
>> int res = 0:
>> struct mm_struct *mm = get_task_mm(task);
>> if (mm) {
>> - unsigned int len = mm->env_end - mm->env_start;
>> + unsigned int len;
> > +
>>+ res = -ESRCH;
>> + if (!ptrace_may_attach(task))
> > + goto out;
> > +
>> + len = mm->env end - mm->env start;
>> if (len > PAGE_SIZE)
     len = PAGE SIZE:
> >
>> res = access_process_vm(task, mm->env_start, buffer, len, 0);
>> - if (!ptrace_may_attach(task))
>> res = -ESRCH;
> > +out:
>> mmput(mm);
>> }
>> return res;
>
> What's wrong with the existing code? It's a bit dopey-looking and can, I
> guess, permit a task to cause a pagefault in an mm which it doesn't have
> permission to read from. But is there some more serious problem being
> fixed here?
I think not, because environment will be copied from target task, stay
in kernel tmp buffer, but not copied to target buffer due to -ESRCH.
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But such code is asking for problems.