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Subject: Re: [PATCH 11/13] Changes to show virtual ids to user  
Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Thu, 31 May 2007 11:46:01 GMT  
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Eric W. Biederman wrote:

> Pavel Emelianov <xemul@openvz.org> writes:

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>> Pavel Emelianov wrote:

>>> Cedric Le Goater wrote:

>>>> Hello !

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>>>>>> The worst case I can see with pid == 0. Is that it would be a bug

>>>>>> that we can fix later. For other cases it would seem to be a user

>>>>>> space API thing that we get stuck with for all time.

>>>>>> We cannot trust userspace application to expect some pid other than

>>>>>> positive. All that we can is either use some always-absent pid or

>>>>>> send the signal as SI\_KERNEL.

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>>>>>> Our experience show that making decisions like above causes random

>>>> <>> applications failures that are hard (or even impossible) to debug.

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>>>>> Ok. So I guess I see what you are proposing is picking an arbitrary

>>>>> pid, say pid == 2, and reserving that in all pid namespaces and using

>>>>> it when we have a pid that does not map to a specific namespace. I'm

>>>>> fine with that.

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>>>>> All I care about is that we have a solution, preferably simple,

>>>>> to the non-mapped pid problem.

>>>> Pavel, are you against using pid == 0 and setting si\_code to SI\_KERNEL ?

>>> I think I am. A quick grep through the code revealed one place where

>> Sorry. I have misprinted. I meant "I think I am \*NOT\*". My bad :(

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>>> this can happen, so I believe application are (have to be) somehow

>>> prepared to this.

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> Where was this. I'd like to follow your complete line of thinking.

The line concerning why I think that sending a signal from  
SI\_KERNEL is good solution?

> Eric

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