Subject: Re: [PATCH 15/15] Hooks over the code to show correct values to user Posted by Oleg Nesterov on Tue, 31 Jul 2007 10:04:20 GMT

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On 07/30, Pavel Emelyanov wrote:
> Oleg Nesterov wrote:
> >On 07/26, Pavel Emelyanov wrote:
> >>int
>>>kill proc(pid t pid, int sig, int priv)
> >>{
>>>- return kill_proc_info(sig, __si_special(priv), pid);
> >>+ int ret;
> >>+
>>>+ rcu_read_lock();
>>>+ ret = kill_pid_info(sig, __si_special(priv), find_pid(pid));
>>>+ rcu read unlock():
>>>+ return ret;
> >>}
> >I think this is wrong. kill_proc() should behave the same as
> >kill_proc_info(),
> >so this change is not needed. With this patch they use different namespaces
> >to find the task, this is not consistent.
>
> Actually, callers of this use tsk->pid (global pid) as an argument, so
> find_vpid() might return wrong value.
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Yes I see. But still I don't agree on this issue.

kill_proc() is a simple wrapper on top of kill_proc_info(), not good to break this. And with this patch they use different namespaces to search the pid. Imho, not consistent.

Probably we can ignore this for now, but suppose we have some out-of-tree driver which does kill_proc(pid_number), and the application from non-init namespace does ioctl(SET_PID_NUMBER, getpid()).

And this is why btw I think find_pid/pid_nr should use active namespace, not init_pid_ns. That driver can save "struct task_struct*" or "struct pid*".

OK, I understand it is a pain to "fix" the in-tree callers of kill_proc() (say, we can introduce kill_pid_t() or something), so let's forget this. In fact, we'd better remove kill_proc(), we should avoid using pid_t, the callers should be converted to use struct pid.

Oleg.