Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH] Add child reaper to struct pspace Posted by Herbert Poetzl on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 15:41:54 GMT

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On Thu, Sep 07, 2006 at 04:25:41PM +0400, Kirill Korotaev wrote:
> Sukadev Bhattiprolu wrote:
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> [...skip...]
>> @ @ -857,7 +858,7 @ @ fastcall NORET TYPE void do exit(long co
>> panic("Aiee, killing interrupt handler!");
>> if (unlikely(!tsk->pid))
    panic("Attempted to kill the idle task!");
> > - if (unlikely(tsk == child_reaper))
> > + if (unlikely(tsk == tsk->pspace->child_reaper))
>> panic("Attempted to kill init!");
> this panic is wrong here.
> My HO is that termination of init task
> should terminate all the other tasks in pspace.
well, this is one way to handle it, another way
(also implemented in Linux-VServer) is to switch
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and/or to allow to select/start a new reaper
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to the 'main' child_reaper of the host context and/or to allow to select/start a new reaper inside the guest, still another option (which I do not really favor) is to have a kernel thread which poses as reaper inside the guest (either once init is gone or in general)

the problem I see here is that once the guest child_reaper (note: this is not necessary the init process, but let's assume it is for now:) terminates, it will not be able to do the reaping at all, so terminating the other guest processes might not be as simple as it sounds

- > Otherwise you have too select some one else to be child reaper
- > and actually there is no good choice here as no one except init
- > is going to wait() for children.

except for the host/master init:)

best, Herbert

- > p.s. can you enumerate these patches please?
- > since I failed to find where struct pspace was introduced...